
Monday, 21st January, 1839.

Prayers.

The Honorable Mr. Crane, Chairman of the Committee appointed to try the Petition of Thomas Odber Miles, Esquire, complaining of the undue election and return of Henry T. Partelow, Esquire, as a Member for the County of Sunbury, reported to the House that George S. Hill, Esquire, a member of the said Committee, was again absent on Saturday last, at the hour to which the said Committee had then adjourned.

Mr. Hill being now in his seat, submitted to the House a statement, verified upon oath, setting forth the causes of his absence, as required by the Act regulating controverted elections, which was considered satisfactory.

On motion of Mr. Partelow,

The House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to incorporate sundry persons by the name of the New Brunswick Marine Assurance Company."

Mr. M'Leod in the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had the Bill referred to them under consideration, and agreed to the same.

Ordered, That the report be accepted, and the Bill engrossed.

Mr. Hill, by leave, presented a Petition from George Percy, of the Parish of Saint Stephen, in the County of Charlotte, an old Soldier in the Peninsular war, praying that a free grant of land for actual settlement may pass to him, in consideration of his long services; which he read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be received and lie on the Table.

Mr. Hill, by leave presented a Petition from Levi Weston, William Coulter and Samuel Bayard, Physicians, practising at Saint Stephens and Saint Davids, in the County of Charlotte, praying a grant may pass remunerating them for services performed in vaccinating persons in those districts under the direction of the Board of Health for the County of Charlotte; which he read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be received, and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Wyer moved for leave to bring in a Bill, to revive and continue an Act to regulate the driving of Timber and Saw Logs down the River Magaguadavic and its Branches.

Leave granted.

The said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. Wyer moved for leave to present a Petition from Wellington Hatch, of Saint Andrews, in the County of Charlotte, a witness in attendance before the Committee at the last Session to try the matter of the Petition of William FitzWilliam Owen, Esquire, complaining of the election and return of Robert Thomson, Esquire, as a Member for the County of Charlotte, praying to be remunerated for his time and expenses while attending before the said Committee.

And upon the question for granting leave, it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Street, by leave, presented a Petition from James Dunn, of the Parish of Nelson, in the County of Northumberland, a licenced Teacher, praying to be compensated for teaching a School in that Parish for a period of three months in the year 1837; which he read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be received, and referred to the Select Committee for taking such Petitions under consideration, to report thereon.

On motion of Mr. End,

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the practice of the several Probate Courts in this Province, and report thereon by Bill or otherwise.

Ordered, That Mr. End, Mr. Street and Mr. Weldon be the Committee for that purpose.

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