

2d Session, 9th Parliament, 5th Geo: IV.*Friday, 18th November, 1825.*

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Sedition Law Repeal Bill was read the third time.

Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Captain Matthews, moves that the Sedition Law Repeal Bill do now pass, and that it be entitled "An Act to repeal an act passed in the forty-fourth year of His late Majesty's Reign, chapter first, entitled "an act for the better securing this Province against all seditious attempts or designs to disturb the tranquility thereof."

Which was carried. *nem. con.*

Present—Messrs. Beardsley, Beasley, Bidwell, Burke, Burnham, Clark, Fothergill, Gordon, Hamilton, Hornor, Ingersol, Lefferty, Lyons, Matthews, McBride, McCall, McDonell, Perry, Playter, Randal, Rolph, Scollick, Thompson, Thomson, and White; and the bill was signed.

Agreeably to the order of the day the Felon's Counsel bill was read the third time.

Mr. Bidwell, seconded by Mr. Perry, moves that the bill do now pass, and that it be entitled "An Act for allowing persons tried for felony, the benefit of full defence by counsel."

Which was carried. *Nem. Con.*

Present—Messrs. Beardsley, Beasley, Bidwell, Burke, Burnham, Clark, Fothergill, Hamilton, Hornor, Ingersol, Lefferty, Lyons, Matthews, McBride, McCall, McDonell, Perry, Playter, Randal, Rolph, Scollick, Thompson, Thomson, and White, and the bill was signed.

Messrs. Hamilton and Lefferty were ordered by the Speaker to carry up to the Honourable the Legislative Council the bill entitled "An Act to repeal an act passed in the forty-fourth year of His late Majesty's reign, chapter first, entitled an act for the better securing this Province against all seditious attempts or designs to disturb the tranquility thereof," and to request their concurrence thereto.

Messrs. Bidwell and Rolph were ordered by the Speaker to carry up to the Honourable the Legislative Council the bill entitled "An Act for allowing persons tried for felony the benefit of full defence by counsel," and to request their concurrence thereto.

Agreeably to the order of the day the petition from William Phair and others, inhabitants of the Town of York, praying for authority to remunerate the services of firemen; the petition from the agents of the Honourable the East India Company, praying for drawbacks on Teas exported from Quebec, or unfit for sale; and the petition from the President and Directors of the Welland Canal Company, praying for a loan of twenty-five thousand pounds, were read.

Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. McDonell, moves that the petition of the President and Directors of the Welland Canal Company be referred to a select committee to be chosen by ballot, and that the said committee do consist of seven members, and have power to send for persons and papers, and to report by bill or otherwise.

In amendment, Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Randal, moves that the consideration of the petition of the President and Directors of the Welland Canal Company, be deferred until this day week.

Which was carried.

The original question, as amended, was then put and carried.

Mr. Lyons, seconded by Mr. McDonell, moves that the Petition of William Phair, and other inhabitants of the Town of York, be referred to Messrs. Thompson, Thomson, and Playter, with power to send for persons and papers, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Which was ordered.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the New Brunswick relief bill was read the second time.

Mr. Playter, seconded by Mr. Rolph, moves that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the bill for the relief of the sufferers in New-Brunswick.

Which was carried, and Mr. Clark was called to the chair.

The House resumed.

Mr. Clark reported the bill as amended.

The report was ordered to be received.

Mr. Playter, seconded by Mr. Rolph, moves that the bill for the relief of the sufferers in New-Brunswick be engrossed and read a third time on Tuesday next.

Which was ordered.

Mr. Playter gives notice that he will, on Tuesday next, move for leave to bring in a bill for the abolition of imprisonment for debt.

Mr. Playter gives notice that he will, on Wednesday next, move for leave to bring in a bill to remove certain disabilities affecting the people called Quakers, Menonists, Tunkers, and Moravians.

Mr. Fothergill, seconded by Mr. McDonell, moves that the resolution authorising the Speaker to instruct the Clerk of this House to furnish a correct copy of the votes of this House, together with a copy of the order of the day every evening to be hung up in some public place in the Library belonging to the Legislature, for the benefit of such of the Editors of the Newspapers in York, as may desire to publish them; be rescinded.

Which was carried.

Mr. Bidwell gives notice that he will, on Monday next, move that that part of the Journals of this House of the last session which contains the report of the Select Committee on the petition of sundry inhabitants of this Province on the subject of clergy reserves, be read and taken into consideration.

Mr. Perry gives notice that he will, on Monday next, move for leave to bring in a bill to enable persons holding lands in several Districts of this Province to pay the rates and taxes on the same to the treasurer of the District in which they may reside.

The House then adjourned till Monday.

Monday, 21st November, 1825.

Agreeably to the order of the day the Towns Representation bill was read the third time.

Mr. Rolph, seconded by Mr. McDonell, moves that the bill do now pass, and that it be entitled "An Act to provide for the payment of the Representatives of Towns in this Province."

Which was carried and the bill signed.

Messrs. Rolph and McBride were ordered by the Speaker to carry up to the Honourable the Legislative Council the bill entitled "An Act to provide for the payment of the Representatives of Towns in this Province," and to request their concurrence thereto.

Agreeably to the order of the day the Intestate Bill was read the third time.

Mr. Bidwell, seconded by Mr. Perry, moves that the bill do now pass, and that it be entitled "An Act for the more equal distribution of the property of persons dying intestate."

On which the House divided, and the Yeas and Nays being taken, were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Baby, Beardsley, Beasley, Bidwell, Burke, Burnham, Clark, Fothergill, Hamilton, Hornor, Ingersol, Lefferty, Lyons, Matthews, McBride, McCall, McDonell, Perry, Playter, Randal, Scollick, Thompson, Thomson, Wilkinson, and White.—25.

NAYS—Messrs. Attorney General, Gordon, McDonald, and Walker.—4.

The question was carried in the affirmative by a majority of twenty-one and the bill was signed.

Messrs. Bidwell and Thompson were ordered by the Speaker to carry up to the Honourable the Legislative Council the bill entitled "An Act for the more equal distribution of the property of persons dying intestate," and to request their concurrence thereto.

Agreeably to the order of the day the petition of Samuel Wood and others, praying for amendment in the Welland Canal Bill; the pe-