

Imperial Parliament, passed in the fifth year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled 'An Act for the better Administration of Justice in Newfoundland, and for other purposes.'"

Ordered,—That the Clerk do carry the said Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill in amendment of an Act of the General Assembly for regulating the streets of the town of Harbour-Grace, was read a second time.

Resolved,—That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

On motion, the House then resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the said Bill.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. HOOPER took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to amend the Act to regulate the streets of the town of Harbour-Grace, and had agreed to the same with certain amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he delivered the Bill with the amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

The said amendments were then read throughout a first and second time, and upon the question put thereon, were agreed to by the House.

Ordered,—That the Bill with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. HOYLES moved, that leave be granted him to introduce a Bill to permit the High Sheriff to leave the Island without vacating his office; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, three; against it, seven.

For the Motion.
Mr. HOYLES
— PACK
— KOUGH

Against the Motion.
Mr. CARTER
— MARTIN
— KENT
— POWER.
— COZENS
— HOOPER
— BENNETT.

So it passed in the negative.

A Petition of JOHN HOWLEY, of St. John's, was presented by Mr. HOYLES, and read, setting forth,

That on the 7th day of July instant, his house, stores, and wharf, with an oil vat and house adjoining, were consumed by fire. That the Petitioner had barely time to place his family in a situation of safety, and was prevented from saving any of his property, and can unhesitatingly state that he was the greatest individual sufferer by the late calamitous fire. That the Petitioner has learnt with regret, that a Bill is now before the House, and likely to pass into a Law, to compel persons on the south side of Water-street to build their houses of brick or stone;—that if the Petitioner is compelled to build of brick or stone, he must surrender the lease of the ground he now holds;—and praying that some aid may be granted him by the House, to enable him to rebuild on his premises.

Ordered,—That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at eleven of the Clock.

MONDAY, JULY 29, 1833.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. AYRE.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill entitled "An Act for regulating the future erection of wooden houses in the town of St. John's," with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The said amendments were read throughout a first and second time.

Resolved,—That the said amendments be referred to a Committee of the whole House.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act for regulating the streets of the town of Harbour-Grace, was read a third time, and thereupon

Mr. KOUGH moved that the following clause be added to the Bill by way of Rider, viz.:—

And be it further enacted, that all the power and authority conferred, or intended to be conferred by the

said recited Act upon the Commissioners thereby intended to be appointed, and who have been appointed under and by virtue of the same, shall be, and they are hereby annulled and repealed; and from and after the passing of this Act, such appointment of the said Commissioners shall be deemed to have utterly ceased and determined to all intents and purposes,—provided, nevertheless, that the said Commissioners, or any of them, shall not be liable to, nor chargeable by any suit or action for any lawful act, deed or thing committed by them or any of them, while in the due execution of his or their duties, as such Commissioner or Commissioners as aforesaid:

Which being seconded and put, passed in the affirmative.

Resolved,—That the Bill do pass, and that the title be "An Act to amend an Act of the General Assembly, entitled 'An Act to regulate the streets of the town of Harbour-Grace.'"

Ordered,—That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence.