

2d Session, 9th Parliament, 5th Geo : IV.

Mr. Thomson gives notice that he will, on Tuesday next, move for the appointment of a Select Committee, to revise and consolidate the Provincial Statutes.

Mr. Rolph gives notice that he shall, on Monday next, move for leave to bring in a bill to provide the same allowance for the Representatives of Towns, as of Counties and Ridings in this Province.

Mr. Bidwell gives notice that he will, to-morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill allowing persons tried for felony the benefit of full defence by counsel.

Mr. Rolph gives notice that he will, on Wednesday next, move for leave to bring in a bill for the relief of Religious Societies.

Mr. Hamilton gives notice that he will, on Monday next, move certain resolutions respecting the losses sustained by the inhabitants of this Province, during the late war with the United States of America.

Mr. Rolph gives notice that he will, on Tuesday next, move for leave to bring in a bill for the more ready recovery of dower in this Province.

Mr. Bidwell gives notice that he will, on Monday next, move for leave to bring in a bill for the more equal distribution of the property of persons dying intestate within the Province.

Mr. Attorney General gives notice that he will move, on Tuesday the twenty-second day of November, inst. for leave to bring in a bill for the opening and amendment of the principal Highway leading through this Province.

Mr. Attorney General gives notice that he will, on Wednesday the twenty-third day of November inst. move for leave to bring in a bill for the dispensing with the actual pronouncing of sentence of death in certain cases of conviction of capital offenders.

Mr. Attorney General gives notice that he will move, on Tuesday next, that this House do resolve itself into a committee of the whole to take into consideration the laws of this Province regulating the allowance and payment of Militia Pensions.

Mr. Fothergill, seconded by Mr. Ingersol, moves that it be resolved, that a select committee be appointed to superintend the printing necessary to be done for this House during the present Session, and that Messrs. Rolph, H. C. Thomson, Scollick, Burnham, and Beasley, do compose the same.

Which was carried.

Mr. Rolph, seconded by Mr. Ingersol, moves that the postage upon all letters, to and from members during the present Session, be paid by the Clerk and charged in the contingent accounts.

Which was carried.

Mr. Thomson, seconded by Mr. McBride, moves that a select committee be appointed to examine and report to this House, whether any and what reductions may be made in the contingent expenses of the House, and that Messrs. Attorney General, Rolph, and Hamilton, do compose the same committee.

Which was carried.

The House then adjourned.

Friday, 11th November, 1825.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Captain Matthews, moves for leave to bring in a bill to repeal an act passed in the 44th year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, "An Act for the better securing this Province against all seditious attempts or designs to disturb the tranquility thereof."

Which was granted and the bill read.

Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Captain Matthews, moves that the Sedition Law Repeal Bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Which was ordered.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Bidwell, seconded by Mr. Rolph, moves for leave to bring in a bill allowing persons tried for felony the benefit of full defence by counsel.

Which was granted and the bill read.

Mr. Bidwell, seconded by Mr. Rolph, moves that the bill allowing persons tried for felony the benefit of full defence by counsel, be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Which was ordered.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the House prepared to consider the speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the present Session, and the speech was read.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Attorney General, seconded by Mr. Thompson, moves that this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to take into consideration the speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of this present Session.

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

The House resumed.

Mr. Thomson reported that the Committee had agreed to several resolutions which he was directed to submit for the adoption of the House.

The report was ordered to be received, and the resolutions were severally put and carried as follows :

RESOLVED—That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to thank His Excellency for his most gracious Speech from the Throne at the opening of this Session.

That in the said address this House do assure His Excellency that they sincerely participate in that satisfaction which His Excellency has expressed at the continuance of the general tranquility which has been so propitious to the happiness and prosperity of the British Empire.

That they have rejoiced to observe the Councils of the Imperial Government occupied during this season of peace in measures which have particularly for their object to promote the welfare of the Colonial possessions of the Crown, and to excite in them that spirit of industry and enterprise of which the Parent State exhibits so glorious an example.

That this House does anticipate a very material and almost immediate advancement of the public interests of this Province, from those great and liberal measures which have been recently passed by the Imperial Parliament for regulating the Colonial trade, measures which have proceeded upon the avowed principle of constituting the Colonies integral portions of the Empire; and of giving to their ports the character and privileges of ports of the United Kingdom.

That this House, with the most sincere satisfaction, avail themselves of this early opportunity of assuring His Excellency, as the Representative of the most gracious Sovereign under whose benign and glorious rule these advantages are extended, that the people of this Province feel and acknowledge most gratefully, as becomes them, these invaluable proofs of the protecting care of their Parent State, and that they cannot fail to recognize a policy liberal and generous beyond example, in a system which tends to confer upon them all the commercial privileges of subjects of the United Kingdom; while they are exempt from those burthens by which the fleets and armies are supported, which could alone effectually protect their trade and defend their soil.

That this House thankfully acknowledges, as additional proofs of the gracious consideration of His Majesty's Government those modifications of the general Colonial system which apply to the regulation of our commercial intercourse with the United States of America, and of the navigation upon our inland waters.

That this House receives, with the most lively interest, the communication which His Excellency has been graciously pleased to make of his sentiments and anticipation with respect to the relaxation of the British Corn Laws in favor of the British North American Colonies.

That in this Province, more perhaps than in any other, the relaxation in question and every consideration attending it, claims peculiar interest; that this House of Assembly hails the measure which has recently passed as the most convincing proof of a desire to promote the welfare of the Colonies by establishing a system of which some apprehension appears still to be entertained, that it may be found prejudicial to the great domestic interests of the Empire. That it is upon their conviction of the soundness of these principles which His Majesty's