

Sir P. Maitland, K. C. B. Lieut. Governor.

Mr. Scollick, seconded by Mr. White, moves that the petition of the commissioners of the Burlington Bay Canal, be referred to the committee to whom was referred the petition of the president and directors of the Welland Canal Company, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

Which was ordered.

Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Lefferty, moves that the petition of Chauncey Beadle be referred to a select committee, and that Messrs. Rolph, D. Jones, Gordon, and Matthews, do compose the same, to report by bill or otherwise, with power to send for persons and papers.

Which was ordered.

Mr. Lyons, seconded by Mr. Beasley, moves that the petition of sundry inhabitants of the District of Newcastle, be referred to Messrs. Bidwell, D. Jones, Burke, and McDonell, with power to send for persons and papers and to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Fothergill, seconded by Mr. Burnham moves, in amendment to the motion of Mr. Lyons, relative to the petition of sundry inhabitants of the District of Newcastle, that after the word "moves" in the original motion, the whole be expunged and the following inserted—"that a special committee of seven be chosen by ballot forthwith to whom both petitions from the Newcastle District, relative to the removal of the Gaol and Court House at Hamilton, be referred to report by bill or otherwise."

Which was carried.

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

The House then proceeded in the ballot for said Committee, when the following names were chosen.

Messrs. Bidwell, Perry, Lyons, Beasley, Fothergill, Burke, and D. Jones.

Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mr. McCall, moves that the petition of Manual Overfield and others be submitted to the committee of supply.

Which was ordered.

Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mr. Hornor, moves that the petition of B. Brigham, Esq. and others, be referred to the committee of supply.

Which was ordered.

Agreeably to notice Mr. Attorney General, seconded by J. Jones, moves that this House do now resolve itself into a committee of the whole upon supply.

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

The House resumed, the Black Rod being at the door.

Mr. Lee, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, brought down His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's commands for the immediate attendance of the House of Assembly at the bar of the Legislative Council chamber.

The Speaker and members present then proceeded to the bar of the Legislative Council chamber, and having returned, the Speaker informed the House that His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the bill entitled "An Act granting to His Majesty a sum of money for the relief of the sufferers in New Brunswick, by the late fire."

The House then went again into committee of supply.

Mr. Morris in the chair.

The House resumed.

Mr. Morris reported progress and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the House went into committee on the bill sent down from the Honourable the Legislative Council, entitled "An Act to confirm and quiet in the possession of their estates, and to admit to the civil rights of subjects, certain classes of persons therein mentioned."

Mr. Lyons was called to the chair.

The House resumed.

Mr. Lyons reported the bill as amended.

On the question for receiving the report the House divided, and the yeas and nays being taken, were as follows:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atkinson, Baby, Beardsley, Beasley, Bidwell, Clark, Fothergill, Hamilton, Hornor, Ingersol, Lefferty, Lyons, Matthews, McBride, McCall, McDonald, Perry, Playter, Randal, Rolph, Scollick, Thomson, Walsh, Wilkinson and White—25.

NAYS.—Messrs. Attorney General, Burnham, Burke, Cameron, Gordon, C. Jones, D. Jones, J. Jones, McDonell, Morris, Thompson, and VanKoughnett—12.

The question was carried in the affirmative by a majority of 13 and the report was accordingly received.

Mr. Bidwell, seconded by Mr. McBride, moves that the amendments to the bill sent down from the Hon. the Legislative Council, entitled "An Act to confirm and quiet in the possession of their estates, and to admit to the civil rights of subjects, certain classes of persons therein mentioned," be engrossed and read the third time on Wednesday next.

On which the House divided, and the yeas and nays being taken, were as follows:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Atkinson, Baby, Beardsley, Beasley, Bidwell, Clark, Fothergill, Hamilton, Hornor, Ingersol, Lefferty, Lyons, Matthews, McBride, McCall, McDonald, Perry, Playter, Randal, Rolph, Scollick, Thomson, Walsh, Wilkinson, and White—25.

NAYS.—Messrs. Attorney General, Burnham, Burke, Cameron, Gordon, C. Jones, D. Jones, J. Jones, McDonell, Morris, Thompson, and VanKoughnett—12.

The question was carried in the affirmative by a majority of 13 and ordered accordingly.

Mr. Attorney General, from the committee to whom was referred the pension laws of this Province, informed the House that the committee had prepared a report which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

The report was ordered to be received and it was read as follows:—

The select committee to whom was referred that part of the speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the present session, which relates to the militia pensions payable in this Province, having duly considered the matter referred to them, beg to add to the report which they have agreed to make by bill accompanying this report, that they have compared the state of the militia pension list, as it stood on the 31st December, 1821, with its state on the 30th June last, and find that on the 31st December, 1821, it stood as follows, viz:—

Disabled by wounds,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
Widows,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Guardians of Orphans,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
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And on the 30th June, 1825, as follows, viz:—

Disabled by wounds,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Widows,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
Guardians,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
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Exhibiting a decrease of two pensions in three years and a half and no diminution within that period under the last head of pensions—a circumstance which could scarcely have been expected when it is considered that it is now nearly eleven years since the termination of the war, and that the particular class of pensions alluded to, must, according to the statutes, cease so soon as the youngest child