

The Petition of the Undersigned Freeholders and Inhabitant Household-ers, residing in the Townships of Nelson, Trafalgar, Toronto, and the vicinity of the Head of the Lake, Most Respectfully Sheweth:

That Your Petitioners, as well as the Public in general, suffer much inconvenience for the want of a bridge across the Sixteen Mile Creek, in the Township of Trafalgar, near the mouth of the Creek; for the want of which the travelling on the Lake Shore is impeded below the Twelve Mile Creek, which was bridged last summer by a very few of your Petitioners, before the road was established by law. The great expense that would attend the building of the said bridge precludes the possibility of Your Petitioners building at their own expense—the number of inhabitants from the beach to the River Credit on the Lake Shore being only twenty-six—

Your Petitioners have herewith annexed a statement of the length of the bridge, etc., and therefore most humbly pray that Your Honorable Body will take the premises into your consideration, and grant them such a sum of money as in the wisdom of Your House will be adequate to the expense.

And Your Petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.
Trafalgar, 3rd Feb'y, 1812.

(Signed) John C. Harris, Nichs. McDougall, George Chisholm, and fifty-one others.

Read for the first time, the Bill to take away the salary of the Speaker of the House of Assembly. Mr. Willcocks moved, seconded by Mr. J. Willson, that the said Bill be read a second time on to-morrow.

The Bill to reduce the salary of the Clerks of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly was then read for the first time. Mr. Willcocks, seconded by Mr. Secord, again moved that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Read for the second time, the Militia Bill. Mr. Willcocks further moved, seconded by Mr. Rogers, that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the Militia Bill. The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee. Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Howard was called to the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Howard reported that the Committee had made some progress, and asked for leave to sit again this day. Leave was accordingly granted.

A message from the Honorable the Legislative Council by Mr. Baldwin, Master in Chancery.

Mr. Speaker, I am commanded by the Honorable the Legislative Council to acquaint this House that they have passed an Act sent up from this House, intituled "An Act to continue for a limited time an Act passed in the forty-eighth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act to continue an Act, passed in the forty-fifth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act to afford relief to those persons who may be entitled to claim lands in this Province as Heirs or Devises of the Nominees of the Crown, in cases where no patent hath issued for such lands,' and further to extend the benefits of the said Act," to which they have made several amendments, and request the concurrence of this House thereto in passing the same.

The said amendments were then read. Mr. Gough, seconded by Mr. Rogers, moved that the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow, which was ordered accordingly.