

FRIDAY, February 5, 1841.

MR. SPEAKER presented to the House a Letter from the Clerk of this House.

And the said Letter was read, and is as followeth:—

Charlottetown, 5th February, 1841.

Sir;

I am under the necessity of requesting that you will be pleased to inform the House of Assembly that, owing to severe illness, I trust to be excused from attending in my place for the present day, and that I may be permitted the favor of appointing Mr. James B. Cooper, to act as my substitute. I trust that after one day's repose I shall be enabled to resume my duties.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

WILLIAM CULLEN.

To the Honorable

The Speaker, of the House of Assembly.

It was thereupon, *Ordered*, That Mr. James B. Cooper be appointed Acting Clerk, during the illness of the Clerk of this House.

Mr. Cooper was accordingly sworn at the Table, and then took his seat.

Resolved, That a Committee of three Members be appointed, to prepare and bring in a Bill for the relief of the American Loyalists and Disbanded Troops in this Island, and their Representatives.

Ordered, That Mr. Rae, Mr. Le Lacheur and Mr. Fraser do compose the said Committee.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Graham's Road, Lot Twenty, and vicinity, was (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit,) presented to the House by the Hon. J. S. Macdonald, and the same was received and read—praying an aid to improve the Road leading from Graham's Road, Easterly, towards Mill River, New London.

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

Mr. Palmer, in his place, presented to the House the Light Duty Account for the Port of Charlottetown, for the Quarter ending 31st December, 1840.

Ordered, That the said Account be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee on the Bill for the appointment of Coroners in Prince and King's Counties, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Hudson took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Hudson reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto.

A motion being made, that the report of the Committee be agreed to;

The House divided:

YEAS:

Mr. Palmer,	Hon. J. S. Macdonald,
Mr. Thomson,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. J. Dingwell,	Mr. Hudson,
Mr. Gorman,	Mr. Montgomery,
Mr. Beck,	Mr. Yeo,
Mr. Dalziel,	Mr. Forbes,
Mr. Longworth,	Mr. W. Dingwell.

NAYS:

Mr. Macintosh,	Mr. Rae,
Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Macfarlane,
Mr. Macneill,	Mr. Fraser,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. Maclean.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be *An Act to authorize the appointment of Coroners for Prince and King's Counties*.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

Ordered, That Mr. Yeo have leave of absence for one week from this date.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee, to inquire into and take into consideration the State of the Colony, being read; The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Gorman took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Gorman reported, that the Committee