

the subject of the Engrossed Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal an Ordinance of *Lower Canada*, intituled, An Ordinance concerning Bankrupts and the administration and distribution of their Estates and Effects; and to make provision for the same object throughout the Province of *Canada*," which had been sent to their Honors by mistake, had been carried to the Legislative Council, and that their Honors had returned the said Bill.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Taché* took the Chair of the Committee, and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

And Mr. *Taché* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had made further Amendments thereto, which amendments were again read at the Clerk's table, and are as followeth:—

In the eighty-first Clause, fill up the first blank with the words..... "forty shillings."

"Second blank with the words "ten shillings."

"Third blank with the words "one shilling."

"Fourth blank with the words "one shilling."

"Fifth blank with the words "one shilling and three pence."

*Resolved*, That the rule and Practice in this case be dispensed with, and that the Question of Concurrence be now separately put upon each of the said Amendments.

And the said Amendments being again severally read, and the Question of Concurrence being separately put upon each, they were agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Amendments be engrossed.

Mr. *Merritt* from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of *John Harris* and others, Inhabitants of *Grimsby* and other Townships, in the District of *Niagara*, and other References, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was again read at the Clerk's table, and is as followeth:—

"Your Committee have carefully examined the Petition of *John Harris* and others, and the Map of the Counties of *Lincoln* and *Haldimand*, in the said District.

It appears to your Committee by reference to the said Map, that attaching the Townships of *Walpole* and the Indian Lands on the West side of the *Grand River*, to the County of *Norfolk*, and the remaining portion of the Indian Lands on the East side of the *Grand River*, in a line between *Binbrook* and *Caistor*, running South until it intersects the Township Line of *Cayuga*, and thence Westwardly, up to the *Grand River*, to the District of *Gore*; and dividing the District of *Niagara* by a line drawn from Lake *Ontario*, between *Louth* and *Clinton*, *Gainsborough* and *Pelham*; and thence South through *Wainfleet* to Lake *Erie*; would render access to the nearest County Towns most convenient to the Inhabitants residing therein.

But your Committee have no desire to urge any decision which may not meet the approbation of the majority of the Inhabitants, residing in the said District.

Your Committee having also taken into consideration the Entries in the Journals of this House, of the 26th September, 1842, relating to the Petition of *Richard Brown* and others, of the County of *Haldimand*, praying that the said County may be erected into a separate District, under the name of "*Manchester*," beg to report:

That feeling desirous that the division of the District of *Niagara*, should meet the approbation of the majority of the Inhabitants, who are to be affected by it, they cannot devise a more satisfactory

arrangement, than leaving the decision of the boundaries to a majority of the District Council, at which every Township will be represented, and the locality as well as convenience and interest of the Inhabitants best understood."

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *John Jennings Taylor*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery.

Message from Legislative Council.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills without any amendment.

"An Act for the establishment and maintenance of Common Schools in that part of this Province called *Upper Canada*."

Common Schools. U. C.

"An Act to afford to persons having been Boundary Line Commissioners, a more easy and less expensive mode of recovering costs still due on Judgments rendered in that capacity."

Boundary line Commissioners

And then he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Merritt* have leave to bring in a Bill to prescribe the manner in which the Public Accounts shall be annually laid before the Legislature.

Public Accounts.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time, and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill, to authorize the Chartered Banks of this Province to open Books in the United Kingdom for the transfer of their Stock, being read,

Chartered Banks.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Beaubien* took the Chair of the Committee, and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

And Mr. *Beaubien* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill without making any amendment thereto, and the Report was again read at the Clerk's table.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill, for vesting in the Principal Officers of Her Majesty's Ordinance, the Estates and Property therein described; for granting certain powers to the said Officers; and for other purposes therein mentioned, being read,

Vesting Estates and Property in Ordinance Department.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Harmannus Smith* took the Chair of the Committee, and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

And Mr. *Harmannus Smith* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which amendments were again read at the Clerk's table.

*Ordered*, That the Question of Concurrence be now separately put upon each of the said amendments.

And the first to the fifth of the said amendments, inclusively, being again severally read, and the question of concurrence being separately put upon each, they were agreed to by the House.

The sixth and last of the said amendments being again read.

Mr. *George Sherwood* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*, that the words "at *Bytown*," be struck out of the said amendment.

The Question having been put upon the motion of amendment, a division ensued, and the names being called for, they were taken down, as followeth:—