

On motion, *Resolved*, That this House do unanimously agree in the opinion so generally expressed by former Houses of Assembly, that the jurisdiction exercised by the Instance-Court of Vice-Admiralty in this Province, is grievous and oppressive; and do therefore request Mr. Speaker to continue his correspondence with the Agent of the Province, and to state, that from the manner in which all the official situations in that Court are held, it is more particularly objectionable than at any former period, and most earnestly to solicit His Majesty's Government to abolish that Court.

*Resolved*, That the above named Committee do join Mr. Speaker upon the subject above-mentioned.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. George :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to revive, continue and amend, an Act to provide for the support of a Light-House at the South end of Coffin's Island, on the Eastern side of the entrance of Liverpool Harbour, with an amendment, to which amendment they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act in further addition to, and amendment of an Act, passed in the third and fourth years of his present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council have appointed the Honorable the Treasurer, the Attorney-General, and James Frazer, a Committee for the purpose of uniting with a Committee to be appointed by the House of Assembly, to take such measures as may be necessary to carry into effect the objects expressed by the joint Address of both Houses to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, relative to the late Convention with the United States of America, and the other objects reported on by the joint Committee of both Houses in the present Session.

And then the Messenger withdrew,

The said Bill was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion, *resolved*, That a conference be desired with the Council, on the subject matter of the said Bill, and that the Clerk do request the same.

The Clerk reported that the Council had agreed to the Conference as desired by the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Cogswell, and Mr. Prescott, do manage the said Conference.

And they went to the Conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Haliburton reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

On motion, the engrossed Bill from the Council, in further addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the third and fourth years of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors; was read a second time.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House; and thereupon,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the said Bill accordingly.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. James took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill.