

29th *December*, 1826, & 3d *January*, 1827.

THIRD SESSION, OF THE 9th PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT. 7th GEO. IV.

relative to the Welland Canal.

the Legislative Council, the Copy of a Despatch, from His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, respecting the Welland Canal; and of a Communication from the Directors of that Company: the subject matter of which he recommends to the attention of the Legislative Council.—(Appendix I.)

Government House,
28th *December*, 1826. }

Committee to prepare Answers to the foregoing Messages.

On motion made and seconded, the Honorable Messrs. Crookshank, and Ridout were appointed a Committee to prepare Addresses in answer to the foregoing Messages.

Street Surveyor's Bill carried down to the Assembly.

The Bill entitled, "An Act to amend the Laws now in force for the appointment of Street Surveyors, so far as relates to the several Towns in this Province, other than those in which the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace are by Law holden," was, by the Master in Chancery, carried down and delivered to the Commons' House of Assembly.

On motion made and seconded, the House adjourned during pleasure.

The House formed.

On motion made and seconded, the House adjourned until Wednesday next, at one o'clock, P. M.

Wednesday, 3d January, 1827.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM CAMPBELL, SPEAKER.

THE HONORABLE MESSRS. M'GILL,

" " CROOKSHANK,

" " CAMERON,

" " DUNN,

" " RIDOUT,

" " ALLAN.

Prayers were read.

The Minutes of Friday were read.

Estray Bill read second time.

Pursuant to the order of the day the Bill entitled, "An Act to provide for the more easy recovery of Estrays," was read a second time, and

On motion made and seconded, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to take the same into consideration.

House in Committee.

Mr. Ridout in the Chair.

Committed.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

Adopted with amendments.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had made some amendments thereto, which they recommended to the adoption of the House.

Ordered that the Report be accepted, and the amendments being read,

On motion made and seconded were ordered to be engrossed, and the Bill as amended read a third time on tomorrow.

Magistrates' Fee Bill read second time.

Pursuant to the order of the day the Bill entitled, "An Act to declare what Fees shall be received by Justices of the Peace for the duties therein mentioned," was read a second time, and,

On motion made and seconded, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to take the same into consideration.

The House in Committee.

Committed.

Mr. Allan in the Chair.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

Adopted.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had taken the said Bill into consideration, and recommended the Bill without amendment to the adoption of the House.

Ordered that the Report be accepted.

On motion made and seconded the Bill was ordered to be read a third time on to-morrow.

Addresses to His Excellency reported.

The Committee appointed to prepare addresses in answer to His Excellency the Lieute-