

13th April, 1835.

HENRY PRESCOTT, Esquire, C. B., Governor.

MONDAY, 13th APRIL, 1835.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

Present,

The Honorable HENRY JOHN BOULTON, Chief Justice,

Members present.

„ „ JAMES SIMMS, Attorney General,
 „ „ JAMES CROWDY, Colonial Secretary.
 „ „ JAMES M. SPEARMAN, Collector of the Customs.
 „ „ WILLIAM HALY,
 „ „ JOHN DUNSCOMB.
 „ „ WILLIAM THOMAS,
 „ „ JOHN B. BLAND.

The Minutes of Friday last were read.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Bill, as amended, entitled “An Act to provide for the Registration of Deeds, and to repeal so much of an Act of the Imperial Parliament, entitled ‘An Act for the better administration of Justice in Newfoundland, and for other purposes,’ as relates to the Registration of Deeds,” was read a third time and passed.

Registration of Deeds Bill, read 3rd time, passed and signed.

Whereupon, the Honorable the Chief Justice signed the same.

A deputation from the Commons House of Assembly brought up the Bill entitled “An Act for granting to His Majesty certain Duties upon Goods, Wares and Merchandize imported into this Colony,” to which they requested the concurrence of this House.

Revenue Bill brought up.

The same deputation brought up a Message in the following words:---

MR. SPEAKER,

The Commons House of Assembly request a Conference with the Legislative Council on the subject-matter of the Amendments made to the Bill entitled “An Act for the establishment of a Light House on Harbour Grace Island.”

Conference requested by the Assembly on Amendments to Harbour Grace Island Light House Bill—

THOMAS BENNETT,
 Speaker.

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Ordered, that the request be acceded to---that the Honorable Messieurs Simms and Spearman be the Conferees on the part of this House, and that the Master in Chancery acquaint the Assembly that the Conferees will meet their Managers in the Committee Room immediately.

Granted.
 Conferees appointed.

The Bill entitled “An Act for granting to His Majesty certain Duties upon Goods, Wares and Merchandize imported into this Colony,” was read a first time.

Revenue Bill read 1st time.

The Honorable the Attorney General, from the Conferees appointed to meet the Managers from the Commons House of Assembly on the subject-matter of the Amendments to the Bill entitled “An Act for the establishment of a Light House on Harbour Grace Island,” reported, that they had met the said Managers, who had delivered the instructions of the House of Assembly in the following words:---

Report of Conferees on Harbour Grace Island Light House Bill.

The Commons House of Assembly have requested this Conference with the Legislative Council for the purpose of acquainting them that they cannot concur in the Amendments made in the Sixth Section of the said Bill, entitled “An Act for the establishment of a Light House on Harbour Grace Island,” whereby it is intended that other persons should be appointed for the collection of the Light Duties to be levied under the said Act than those named therein, viz:---the Collector and Sub-Collectors of His Majesty’s Customs.

The Assembly are of opinion, that if any other persons were appointed to collect the Duties in question, not only would the expense of collection exceed what would be consistent with the amount to be raised, but from the nature of their Offices, the Sub-Collectors of His Majesty’s Customs are, of all others, the best adapted for the efficient collection of the said Duties.