

Mr. *Humbert* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to give effect to and to prevent the evasion of an Act intituled "An Act for the organization and regulation of the Militia of this Province."

Leave was granted.

Mr. *Millidge* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to explain an Act, intituled "An Act to encourage the Fisheries of this Province."

Leave was granted.

Mr. *Allen* pursuant to leave presented "A Bill to prevent the exportation of Provisions from this Province for a limited time."

And the same was read a first time.

Mr. *Mackay* presented a Petition of *John Mackay* praying for relief in his present distressed situation for reasons stated in the Petition.

Ordered that the Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Allen* presented a Petition of *John Davidson*, praying for aid to assist him in forming an establishment about a mile to the North-east of the Piskahagan River, between the Block-house and the Half-way-house, on the Road between Fredericton and Saint Andrews.

Ordered that the Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Speaker* presented several Letters and other Papers from *Nathaniel Atchison*, Esquire, and the *Province Agent*, which were ordered to lie on the Table.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning at 11 o'Clock.

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SATURDAY the 15th day of FEBRUARY, 1817.

PRAYERS.

Read a second time "A Bill to prevent the exportation of Provisions out of this Province for a limited time."

Ordered that the Bill be now committed.

Mr. *Speaker* left the Chair.

Mr. *P. Fraser* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Fraser* from the Committee, reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several amendments thereunto; which he delivered in at the Clerk's Table, where the same were read.

Ordered that the report be accepted, and that the Bill with the amendments, be engrossed.

The House, according to the order of the day, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon the report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the necessities of the Inhabitants of the Province, occasioned by the failure of the last crop.

Mr. *Speaker* left the Chair.

Mr. *Mackay* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Mackay* from the Committee reported, that they had gone into consideration of the business to them referred, had made progress therein: and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same; which report the House agreed to.

Read an engrossed Bill "to prohibit the exportation of Corn, Meal, Flour and Potatoes, out of this Province for a limited time."

Resolved that the Bill pass.

Ordered that Mr. *Ward*, and Mr. *Smith*, carry the Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence to the same.

Mr. *Humbert* presented a petition of sundry inhabitants, owners of Land, in the