

Wednesday, 17th April, 1799.

ON motion of Mr. *Attorney General*, seconded by Mr. *Nathaniel Coffin*, a Bill to provide houses of Correction in the several districts of the Province : was read for the first time.

ORDERED, that the said Bill be read a second time on Friday next.

The order of the day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the expediency of granting encouragement to a proper commercial intercourse between this Province and His Majesty's colonies and Plantations in the West-Indies, being read—

The House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. *Berthelot* took the Chair of the Committee;

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And Mr. *Berthelot* reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Mr. *Papineau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Young*, that the Committee be discharged.

The House divided upon the question,

Yeas 4

Nays 13

And the same being negatived by a majority of nine; the question, that the Committee have leave to sit again? was put; a division again ensued,

Yeas 13

Nays 4

ORDERED, that the said Committee have leave to sit again.

And then, on motion of Mr. *Planté*, seconded by Mr. *Berthelot*,

The House adjourned till Friday next.

Friday, 19th April, 1799.

ON motion of Mr. *Fisher*, seconded by Mr. *Berthelot*,
ORDERED, that Mr. *Fisher* have leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend such parts of an Act passed in the 36th year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, " An Act for making, repairing
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