

therein, the Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported Progress and asked leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, on Motion of Mr. *Bagnall*, seconded by Mr. *Murray*, that the said Bill, just reported, be referred back, to the Committee formerly appointed to bring in the Heads thereof, in order to be re-considered.

Adjourned till 11 o'clock to-morrow.

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WEDNESDAY, July 16th, 1817.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRAYERS.

*Ordered*, on Motion of Mr. *M'Neill*, seconded by Mr. *M'Laran*, That the Collectors of Impost be directed to furnish this House, with a Copy of all their Accounts, since the last Session of the General Assembly; and that the Clerk do furnish the Collectors with a Copy of this Order.

*John Stewart*, Esq. Collector of Impost, for Charlotte-Town District, appeared at the Bar of this House; and furnished his Accounts from the last Session of the General Assembly, in compliance with the order of the House, to that effect: which were ordered to lie on the Table.

On Motion of Mr. *M'Neill*, seconded by Mr. *Townsend*, the Bill intituled, "An Act for Barring Estates Tail;" received the first reading.

On Motion of Mr. *M'Neill*, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*, the "Bill for repealing certain parts of an Act made and passed in the Fourteenth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled an Act for regulating the measure of Boards, and all other kinds of Lumber, and for appointing Officers to survey the same, and for declaring what shall be deemed Merchantable Timber for exportation," received the second reading.

Adjourned till 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The House met at 4 o'clock pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. *Goff*, from the Committee appointed to reconsider the Heads of the Bill for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Impost on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, imported into this Colony, except as are herein after excepted," reported that the Committee had reconsidered the same, and that it is now ready to be laid before the House.

*Ordered*, on Motion of Dr. *M'Aulay*, seconded by Mr. *Nelson*, that the said Bill be introduced into the House, to-morrow, after the Order of the Day shall have been disposed of.

Adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow.

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THURSDAY, July 17th, 1817.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the Day being read, That the House do take into consideration His Excellency's Message of last Tuesday;

Mr. Speaker stated to the House, his regret at an inadvertent irregularity in Parliamentary Usage; (occasioned by former precedents) having taken place in the proceedings of Tuesday last, in postponing the consideration of his Excellency's Message to a future day, which should have taken place immediately, but as the matter had at that time, escaped his observation, and feeling that such irregularity was totally unintentional on the part of the House, he trusted a Minute of his