

The house on Motion of Mr. Neilson went into committee on the bill from the Legislative Council "to confirm certain marriages heretofore solemnized in this Province," made several amendments, which were agreed to by the house, and the bill ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Assistant Secretary Montizambert, delivered the following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

"The Lieut. Governor having taken into consideration the Address of the House of Assembly "praying His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the House a Copy of the Despatch, or such part thereof, as contains the commands of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, now His Most Gracious Majesty, to His Excellency Sir John Coape Sherbrooke, heretofore Governor in Chief, "to call upon the Provincial Legislature to "vote the sums necessary for the ordinary annual expenditure of the Province, as signified to both Houses of the Legislature of this Province, on opening the Session of the Provincial Parliament on the 7th January 1818." The Lieutenant Governor regrets that the above Despatch, being strictly confidential, he does not consider himself at liberty to make any further communication than was at the time made by the then Governor in Chief.

(Signed)

FRANCIS BURTON, Lt. Governor.

Castle of St. Lewis, Quebec 8th February 1825.

The Lieutenant Governor considers it proper to communicate to the House of Assembly, that by the Report to him made, it appears the Arbitrators appointed under the Act of the Imperial Parliament 3rd Geo. IV. Chap. 119, to ascertain by their award the proportion to be paid to Upper Canada for the four years next succeeding the 1st day of July 1824 of the Duties levied and to be levied in the Province of Lower-Canada, under the authority of any Act or Acts passed or to be passed therein, upon Goods, Wares and Commodities imported thereinto by sea, had held several meetings, but not having come to a decision between themselves, as to the nomination of a third Arbitrator within the period prescribed by the said Act of the Imperial Parliament, further proceedings in that Arbitration as therefore necessarily suspended, until His Majesty may be graciously pleased to signify His Royal pleasure in the appointment of such third Arbitrator as by Law is required,

(Signed)

FRANCIS BURTON, Lt. Governor.

Castle of St. Lewis, Quebec, 8th Feby. 1825.

"The Lieutenant Governor recommends to the House of Assembly, the expediency of taking into consideration the Internal Improvements of the Province, with respect to Roads through the new and unsettled parts of it, more particularly the following—that is to say: A Road of Communication between the Districts of Quebec and Gaspé; the Road from Quebec to the Kenebec; a Road from the last Settlements on the River Etchemin, in the Township of Frampton to the head of the River Saint John; Craig's Road, from the Township of Ireland to Shipton; the Dudswell Road, from Ireland to Sherbrooke; the Road from Montreal to the centre of the Townships, from the Township of Shefford to Sherbrooke; the Three Rivers Road, from St. Gregoire to Long Point in the Township of Kingsley; the Road between Sorel and Drummondville; the Road from Coteau du Lac to the Province Line; and to make such appropriations for the purpose as may be deemed

suitable.

(Signed)

FRANCIS BURTON, Lt. Governor.

Castle of St. Lewis, Quebec, 8th Feby. 1825.

"The Lieutenant governor transmits for the information of the house of Assembly, the accompanying Copies of Presentments made by the Grand Juries for the Quarter Sessions of Carleton, Pierce, Douglas Town, in the Inferior District of Gaspé, and which pursuant to urgent representations from that District strongly recommended by the Provincial Judge, the Hon. Mr. Justice Canon, have by His Excellency's commands been duly held last summer at these places, at the terms by Law appointed.

Among the objects embraced in those Presentments, appearing to the Lieutenant Governor worthy of early attention, are the erection of the Gaol and Court Hall at Pierce, authorized by the Provincial Act 48th Geo. III. Chap. 35, but which for want of adequate funds has not been carried into effect, and the division of certain tracts of Waste Lands of the Crown, proper for agriculture in that District into