

The Honourable T. H. Haviland, by His Excellency's command, laid before the House the Public Accounts from February 1st, 1830, to January 31st, 1831.

Mr. Hurdis, Collector of Light Duty, by His Excellency's command, laid before the House,

An Account of Light Duty received by Thomas Desbrisay.

A Receipt for Thirteen Pounds, Seventeen Shillings, and One Penny, paid by the Collector of Light Duties to the Hon. T. H. Haviland.

An Account of Light Duty received by J. L. Hurdis, from 28th August, to the 30th of September, 1830.

A Receipt to J. L. Hurdis, from the Treasurer, dated January 3d, 1831, for £40 14 8, for Light Duty.

An Account of Fourteen Shillings, paid by the Collector of Light Duty, for printing receipts.

An Account of Light Duty refunded by J. L. Hurdis, on production of certificates of the same having previously been paid in Nova Scotia, &c.

An Account of Light Duty collected by J. L. Hurdis, from Oct. 1st, to December 31st, 1830.

Resolved, that the Public Accounts, and the Documents laid before the House by the Collector of Light Duty, be referred to a Committee of five Members to examine and report thereon.

Ordered, that Mr. W. Macneill, Mr. Brecken, Mr. Owen, Mr. Binns, and Mr. H. Macdonald, be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion, the House again resolved itself into a Committee of Privileges and Elections, on the consideration of the Petition of John Willock, complaining of an undue Election and Return for Queen's County.

Mr. Speaker left the chair:

Mr. Brennan took the chair of the committee:

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair:

Mr. Brennan, Chairman of the Committee, reported, that the Committee had come to several Resolutions, which they had directed

him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again read, as followeth:—

1. RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the charges of Partiality against the Returning Officer, Mr. James Moore, contained in the Petition of John Willock, are unfounded.

2. RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that James Moore, the Returning Officer, did close the Poll of the Queen's County Election, at China Point, contrary to the Law of this Island, and thereby has infringed the privileges of the Electors.

3. RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the late Election of Four Members to serve in this present Assembly for the County of Queen's County, is a void Election.

Ordered, that the question of concurrence be now separately put upon the said Resolutions.

And the first of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question of concurrence being put thereon, it passed in the affirmative.

The second and third of the said Resolutions being again severally read, and the question of concurrence being separately put thereon—the House divided upon each.

Yeas.

Mr. W. McNeill;

Mr. Owen;

Mr. Brecken;

Mr. Pope;

Mr. Compton;

Mr. Cody;

Mr. Green.

Nays.

Mr. H. McDonald;

Mr. R. McNeil;

Mr. Binns;

Mr. Brennan.

So they were carried in the affirmative.

Resolved, that this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolutions.

The Chair being vacated by Mr. Cameron, in consequence of the foregoing Resolution—a Member addressed the Clerk, and moved that the House do adjourn.

Adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow.

## SATURDAY, February 12th, 1831.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, by George Richard Goodman, Esq. Usher of the Black Rod.

"Gentlemen,

"His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor commands the immediate attendance of this Honorable House in the Council Chamber."

The House having accordingly gone up, the Clerk acquainted his Excellency that they were at present without a Speaker, in consequence of the seat of Ewen Cameron, Esq.

their late Speaker, having been declared vacated.

The President of His Majesty's Council then said—

GENTLEMEN,

I am directed by his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to command you to repair to the place where the House of Assembly usually sit, and there proceed to the election of a fit and proper person to be your Speaker, in the room of Ewen Cameron, Esq. your late Speaker, whom you are to present to his Excellency here immediately for his approbation.

The House having returned, Samuel