

NAYS.—Messieurs,

Nays 8. Berczy, Buell, Cook, A. McDonald, Beardsley, Campbell, Ketchum, Perry, Yeas 10.
Bidwell, Campbell, Jones, VanKoughnett, Bidwell, Cook, McCall, Shaver—10.
8. Buell, Howard,

YEAS.—Messieurs,

Third reading of nine, and the Bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Bill to prevent felling of trees into the River Thames brought in and read. Agreeably to notice, Mr. Berczy, seconded by Mr. Samson, moves for leave to bring in a Bill to prevent the felling of Timber into the River Thames, and the East and West branches of Bear Creek, in the Western District.

Which was granted, and the Bill read, and ordered for a second reading to-morrow.

Committee on Petition of J. Muirhead and others report. Mr. Attorney General, from the Select Committee, to which was referred the Petition of J. Muirhead, and others, of the Town of Niagara, praying that the Act incorporating the Niagara Canal Company, may be amended, informed the House that the Committee had agreed to a report and the draft of a Bill, both of which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

The Report was received.

The Report was read.

(Report see Appendix.)

Niagara Canal Bill read. The Bill to amend the Act Incorporating the Niagara Canal Company, was then read a first time, and ordered for a second reading to-morrow.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY, 16th DECEMBER, 1831.

THE House met.

Petitions brought up. The minutes of yesterday were read.

O. Creighton. Mr. Ingersoll brought up the petition of Ogden Creighton, of Stamford, in the Niagara District; which was laid on the table.

Colin MacKenzie and others. Mr. Perry brought up the petition of Colin MacKenzie, and forty-three others, of the Township of Ernestown, in the Midland District; which was laid on the table.

Port Hope Harbour Company. Mr. Boulton brought up the petition of the President and Directors of the Port Hope Harbor Company; which was laid on the table.

Address to His Excellency for account of duties on Crown timber passed. Agreeably to the order of the day, the address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, for a detailed account of duties collected on Crown Timber during the present year, was read a third time, passed and signed, as follows:—

To His Excellency SIR JOHN COLBORNE, Knight, Commander of the most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

Address relative to duties on Crown timber. We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Upper Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, most respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to communicate to this House, a statement, in detail, of all monies collected for timber cut on His Majesty's waste lands in this Province, during the present year.

ARCHIBALD McLEAN,

SPEAKER.

Commons House of Assembly, }
16th December, 1831. }

Committee to carry up Address. Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Ingersoll, moves that Messrs. Morris and Lewis be a Committee to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to know when His Excellency will be pleased to receive the address of this House on the subject of monies collected for timber cut on Crown Lands, and to present the same.

Ordered.

Order of the 3rd reading. On the order of the day for the third reading of the bill to facilitate the erection of a Gaol and Court House in the County of Prince Edward, being called—

Motion for recommitting the bill. Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Bidwell, moves that the bill be not now read a third time, but that the same be re-committed, in order that it may be amended in several respects.

House divides. On which the House divided, and the yeas and nays were taken as follows:

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NAYS.—Messieurs,

Atty. General, Duncombe, Lewis, Thomson, Berczy, Elliott, McMartin, VanKoughnett, Nays 22.
Boulton, A. Fraser, Roblin, Warren,
Brown, R. Fraser, Samson, Werden—22.
Clark, Ingersoll, Shade,
Crooks, Jones, Sol. General,

The question was decided in the negative by a majority of twelve, and the bill was read a third time. Bill read third time.

Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Bidwell, moves that the bill be amended, by expunging the clause in the same which secures to the Sheriff of the new District a salary of fifty pounds per annum for four years after the said County shall be set off into a separate District, instead of leaving the Sheriff of the said new District, in that respect, on the same footing with the Sheriffs of other Districts, to be provided for by some general enactment.

On which the House divided, and the yeas and nays were taken as follows: House divided

YEAS.—Messieurs,

Beardsley, Cook, Lewis, Randal, Yeas 15.
Bidwell, A. Fraser, McCall, Shaver,
Buell, Howard, A. McDonald, Thomson,
Campbell, Ketchum, Perry, 15.

NAYS.—Messieurs,

Atty. General, Crooks, McMartin, Shade, Nays 21.
Berczy, Elliott, Macnab, Sol. General,
Boulton, R. Fraser, Morris, VanKoughnett,
Brown, Ingersoll, Roblin, Warren,
Chisholm, Jones, Samson, Werden,
Clark, 21.

The question was decided in the negative by a majority of six.

Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Bidwell, moves the following as a rider to the Bill: Provided always, and that in case the said County shall not have been set off into a separate District by Proclamation in manner and form as by the said Act provided, within the space of three years, then and in that case the said County shall be liable and bound to pay out of the Assessment of said County, a fair and equal share of the expenses of the said Midland District, in proportion to the whole revenue of said District, and so continue to pay until the said County shall be set off into a separate District, any thing in this or any other Act to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. Rider moved.

On which the House divided, and the yeas and nays were taken as follows: House divides on proposed Rider.

YEAS.—Messieurs,

Bidwell, Cook, A. McDonald, Yeas 9.
Buell, Howard, Perry,
Campbell, McCall, Shaver—9.

NAYS.—Messieurs,

Beardsley, Duncombe, Ketchum, Samson, Nays 25.
Berczy, Elliott, Lewis, Sol. General,
Boulton, A. Fraser, McMartin, Thomson,
Brown, R. Fraser, Morris, VanKoughnett,
Chisholm, Ingersoll, Robinson, Warren,
Clark, Jones, Roblin, Werden,
Crooks, 25.

The question was decided in the negative by a majority of sixteen.

Mr. Attorney General, seconded by Mr. Berczy, moves that the Bill do not now pass, but that after the words "hereby vested" in the last clause but two, the remainder be expunged, and the following inserted: "in His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors forever to have and to hold the same in trust for the purposes and to the uses aforesaid." Motion for amendment to Bill.

On which the House divided, and the yeas and nays were taken as follows: House divides

YEAS.—Messieurs,

Atty. General, Berczy, Duncombe, A. McDonald, Yeas 7.
Beardsley, Boulton, Elliott, 7.