

Sir P. Maitland, K. C. B. Lieut. Governor.

The Attorney General, seconded by Mr. Gordon, moves that the first report of the select committee upon the petition of the President, and Directors, of the Welland Canal Company, and other petitions relative to the Welland Canal, be referred to the committee of supply.

Which was ordered.

Mr. Morris from the committee to draft an address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor thanking him for his gracious message communicating a copy of the Burlington Bay Commissioners' report, reported a draft which was received, and read the first time.

Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Walker, moves that the address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor be read a second time this day.

Which was carried, and the address was read a second time.

Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Walker moves that the House do now resolve itself into a committee of the whole on the address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

Which was carried, and Mr. D. Jones was called to the chair.

The House resumed.

Mr. Jones reported the address without amendment.

The report was ordered to be received.

Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Walker, moves that the address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Which was ordered.

Agreeably to the order of the day the House went into committee on the bill entitled, "An Act to confirm and quiet in the possession of their estates, and to admit to the civil rights of subjects, certain classes of persons therein mentioned."

Mr. Walker in the chair.

The House resumed.

Mr. Walker reported that the committee had risen and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

The report was ordered to be received and leave was granted accordingly.

The House adjourned.

Thursday, 8th December, 1825.

Mr. Scollick, seconded by Mr. White, moves for leave to bring up the petition of the magistrates, gentlemen of the grand jury, and inhabitants of the District of Gore.

Which was granted and the petition brought up.

Mr. Lefferty, seconded by Mr. Clark, moves for leave to bring up the petition of sundry inhabitants of the District of Niagara relative to the assessment bill.

Which was granted and the petition brought up.

Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Lefferty, moves for leave to bring up the petition of Chauncey Beedle of Grantham, Niagara District.

Which was granted and the petition brought up.

Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mr. McCall, moves for leave to bring up the petition of Manuel Overfield and others.

Which was granted and the petition brought up.

Mr. Rolph, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, moves for leave to bring up the petition of certain persons respecting the division of the London District.

Which was granted and the petition brought up.

Mr. Lyons, seconded by Mr. Burke, moves for leave to bring up the petition of sundry Inhabitants of the District of Newcastle.

Which was granted and the petition brought up.

Agreeably to the order of the day the address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, thanking him for his message communicating the Burlington Bay Commissioners' report, was read the third time, passed and signed by the Speaker, and is as follows :—

*To His Excellency SIR PEREGRINE MAITLAND, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, and Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein,
&c. &c. &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of Upper Canada, in Provincial Parliament Assembled, most humbly thank Your Excellency for your gracious message of yesterday transmitting the report and accompanying documents delivered to Your Excellency by the Commissioners for the Burlington Canal.

JOHN WILLSON, Speaker.

Commons' House of Assembly, 8th December, 1825.

Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. J. Jones, moves that Messrs D. Jones and Walker be a committee to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the address of this House, and to present the same.

Which was ordered.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the House went into committee on the bill sent down from the Hon. the Legislative Council, entitled, "An Act to confirm and quiet in the possession of their estates, and to admit to the civil rights of subjects, certain classes of persons therein mentioned."

Mr. Walker in the chair.

The House resumed.

Mr. Walker reported progress and asked leave to sit again on Monday next.

On the question for receiving the report the House divided and the yeas and nays being taken were as follows:—

YEAS.—Messrs. Baby, Beardsley, Beasley, Bidwell, Clark, Fothergill, Gordon, Hamilton, Hornor, Ingersol, Lefferty, Lyons, McBride, McCall, McDonald, Perry, Playter, Randal, Rolph, Scollick, Thomson, Walsh, Wilkinson, and White—24.

NAYS.—Messrs. Atkinson, Attorney General, Burke, Cameron, C. Jones, D. Jones, J. Jones, McDonell, Morris, Thompson, & Walker—11.

The Question was carried in the affirmative by a majority of thirteen, the report was received and leave was granted accordingly.

Mr. Fothergill gives notice that he will, on Monday next, move for leave to bring in a bill for the purpose of introducing the replevin laws of England into this country.

Mr. Fothergill gives notice that he will, on Wednesday next, move that the House do resolve itself into a committee of the whole for the purpose of inquiring into the state of the Province.

Mr. Bidwell gives notice that he will to morrow, move for leave to bring in a bill to provide for the appointment of guardians in certain cases.

The House adjourned.