

The Act, 6 Will. 4, cap. 11, intituled 'An Act to provide for the conveyance of the Mails by means of Steam Navigation, and to repeal the Acts heretofore passed for that purpose,' will expire on the last day of the present Session.

The Act, 7 Will. 4, cap. 14, intituled 'An Act to establish an additional Term of the Supreme Court, and to extend the Hilary and Trinity Terms for Queen's County,' will expire on the 20th day of April next.

The Act, 7 Will. 4, cap. 20, intituled 'An Act for the encouragement and support of district and other Schools, and to repeal the Act formerly passed for that purpose,' will expire on the last day of the present Session.

The Act, 3 Vict., cap. 3, intituled 'An Act further to continue for one year, and to further amend an Act passed in the Seventh year of His late Majesty's Reign, for raising a Revenue in this Island,' will expire on the Sixth day of May next.

The Act, 3 Vict. cap. 11, intituled An Act to continue for one year an Act intituled 'An Act for granting a Bounty on Vessels engaged in the Fisheries of this Island,' will expire on the 29th day of April next.

The Act, 3 Vict. cap. 14, intituled 'An Act to suspend for a limited period, certain parts of an Act made and passed in the Fourth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships, and parts of Townships, and for regulating the duty of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned,"' will expire on the last day of the present Session.

*Ordered*, That the above Report be now referred to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Le Lacheur took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Le Lacheur reported, that the Committee had come to two Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the same in his place, and delivered them in at the Clerk's Table.

Mr. Le Lacheur also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again, which the House agreed to.

The several Resolutions reported from the Committee were then read by the Clerk, and are as follow:—

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that it is expedient that the Act, 7 Will. 4th, intituled "An Act for the encouragement and support of District and other Schools, and to repeal the Act formerly passed for that purpose," be amended and continued.

*Resolved*, That it be recommended to the House to appoint a Special Committee, to acquire information as to whether any or what Contracts or Engagements have been entered into in conformity with the Resolutions adopted by the House of Assembly on the 18th April, 1840, in regard to Steam Navigation, and, if necessary, to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, for that purpose.

And the said Resolutions being again read throughout, were, on the question being separately put thereon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Rae, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Clark, Mr. W. Dingwell, Mr. Dalziel, Mr. Le Lacheur, Hon. J. S. Macdonald and Mr. Gorman be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill pursuant to the first of the above reported Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Longworth, Hon. J. S. Macdonald, Mr. Maclean, Mr. D. Macdonald and Mr. Palmer be a Committee for the purpose mentioned in the second of the above reported Resolutions.

Mr. Fraser moved that the House do come to a Resolution, as followeth:—

*Resolved*, That no Petition praying aid for Roads and Bridges, or for any object of a local or private nature, be received after Monday the 15th day of February next.

Mr. Clark moved, in amendment to the proposed Resolution, to leave out the words—"Monday the 15th," and insert, "the Twenty-fifth," in lieu thereof.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS, 11.

NAYS, 9.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The main motion, as amended, was then put and carried.

*Ordered*, That the above Resolution be inserted twice in each of the Newspapers published in Charlottetown.

Mr. Rae, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report the draught of an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to both Houses, at the opening of the present Session,