

And then he withdrew.

Then the House adjourned for one hour;

And being met—

The Bill to amend the Free Education Act, passed in the Fifteenth year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, was, according to order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Wightman took the chair of the Committee, and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair;

And Mr. Wightman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made an amendment thereto, which amendment was again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act to amend the Free Education Act, passed in the Fifteenth year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria."

The Bill to amend the Act for further improving the administration of Criminal Justice, was, according to order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Haviland took the chair of the Committee, and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair;

And the Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again—which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at ten o'clock.

Wednesday, February 16, 1853.

MR. SPEAKER laid before the House the Impost Accounts for the District of Cascumpec, for the past year.

Mr. Macneill, in his place, presented to the House the Impost Accounts for the District of Crapaud, for the past year.

The Hon. Mr. Coles, in his place, presented to the House the Auditors' Classification of the Public Accounts, for the financial year ending 31st January, 1853.

Ordered, That the foregoing Accounts be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts, to examine the same and report thereon.

Resolved, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill for further improving the administration of Criminal Justice.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Haviland took the chair of the Committee, and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair;

And Mr. Haviland reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, without making any amendment thereto; and the Report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act for further improving the administration of Criminal Justice."

Resolved, That a Message be sent to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to lay before the House copies of any correspondence which has taken place between this Government and the Imperial Government, on the subject of a further issue of Treasury Notes.

Ordered, That the Hon. Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Davies and the Hon. Mr. Jardine, be a Committee to wait on His Excellency with the said Message.

Ordered, That Mr. Mooney be added to the Special Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

Then the House adjourned for one hour;

And being met—