

Mr. *Mabey*, moved the Order of the Day, to take into consideration the several Petitions before this House, which was seconded by Mr. *Murray*, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider the same,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. *Mabey* took the Chair, of the Committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

Mr. *Mabey* Chairman of the Committee reported, That the Committee of the whole House have taken the Petition of *Donald Nicholson*, into consideration, and that having found the subject matter thereof to be true, it is their opinion that an Address should be presented to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, accompanied by the said Petition, praying that he will take such means for the relief of Petitioner, as to him may appear meet.

The Committee had also under their consideration the Petition of *Thomas Sims*, Tavern Keeper, and are of opinion that the subject of that Petition contains matter deserving the consideration of the House.

The Committee have also taken into their consideration the Petition of *Josiah Ash*, and are concerned to find they can afford no present relief to the Petitioner.

Ordered, That the Report of the Committee be agreed to.

On Motion of Mr. *Cambridge*, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*, Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address to his Excellency on the subject of *Donald Nicholson's* Petition before this House; Mr. *Cambridge*, Mr. *Cameron*, and Mr. *Hyde*, were accordingly appointed for that purpose.

Mr. *Cameron* from the Committee appointed to wait upon his Excellency with the Address relative to the desire of this House to obtain the Collectors of Imposts Accounts, Reported, That his Excellency in reply said, he was very desirous the House should have the Documents they required and would direct the same to be laid before them as soon as possible.

The Collector of Impost for Richmond Bay District having forwarded his Accounts to the House, were received this day, and delivered in at the Clerk's Table, for the information of the House.

In compliance with the request expressed through the Address of the House to his Excellency, Mr. Goff the Deputy Clerk of Council, attended and furnished the Warrant Book, which was delivered into the hands of the Committee appointed to examine the Public Accounts.

Adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, November 27, 1818.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

Mr. *Mabey*, from the Committee appointed to draw up the heads of a Bill intitled an Act in addition to and amendment of an Act passed in the Twentieth year of his present Majesty's Reign, intitled an Act for the establishing and regulating a Militia," reported the same to the House, and

On Motion the said Bill received the first reading.

Mr. *Solicitor General*, moved to have leave to bring in the heads of a Bill intitled an Act to enable the Justices to the Supreme Court of Judicature of issue Commissions for examining Witnesses out of this Island: and leave being granted, the Bill received the first reading.

On Motion of Mr. *Cameron*, seconded

by Mr. *Mabey*, the Bill intitled "An Act for the regulation of Seamen: received a second reading.

On Motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to resume the consideration of the Bill intitled An Act for the further increase of the Revenue by raising a Duty of Impost on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, &c.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. *Cameron* took the Chair of the Committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

Mr. *Cameron* Chairman of the Committee reported, That they had gone through the Bill paragraph by paragraph and had agreed to the same, with amendments in the Title and otherwise, and

On Motion, that the Report be agreed to, the House divided,