

by their receiving warrants for the amounts respectively due them, from a financial Secretary, an officer who might be appointed with benefit to the Colony.

Hon. Mr. POPE moved that the Resolution of the Committee on supply relative to pew rent be now received.

Hon. G. COLES moved an amendment that it be received this day three months.

For the amendment:—Hons. Coles, Hensley, Haviland, Warburton, Thornton, Beaton, Messrs. Conroy, Howlan, Walker—9

For the Resolution:—Hons. Col. Gray, Col. Sec., J. C. Pope, Longworth, Laird, Kaye, Davies; Messrs. Green, McLennan, Duncan, Haslam, Howat, Montgomery—13. The Speaker then took the Chair, and the Resolution was carried on the same division reversed.

The Bill relating to summary and appeal cases from the Inferior to the Supreme Court was read a third time and passed.

The hon. Legislative Council by message informed the House that the Bill to consolidate and amend the Land Assessment Act, and also the Act to raise a Revenue, had received the assent of that hon. body.

Hon. Mr. HAVILAND called the attention of the House to a question of privilege, and said that the bills just alluded to should have been brought down to the House by the Clerk; he said he was led to make this request because there were, he believed, some hon. members of the Legislative Council who were disposed to infringe upon the liberties of this House.

Hon. J. LONGWORTH also said that the Bills alluded to should be submitted by message from Council; said Acts were then submitted to the House by the Clerk of the Legislative Council.

A message from his Excellency the Lieut. Governor was received, commanding the attendance of the House at the Bar of the Council Chamber, where his Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the Act for raising a revenue.

House in Committee resumed the consideration of the Appropriation Bill.

Hon. G. COLES moved that the sum of £7, appropriated for the payment of His Excellency's pew rent in St. James' Church, be struck out of the bill, which motion was lost on a division of 13 against 6.

Mr. HOWLAN moved that the sum of £300, appropriated to Messrs Palmer and Pope, as Delegates to England on the subject of the Land Commission, be struck out of the bill, which motion was lost on the following division:—

Yeas—Howlan, Coles, Beaton, Conroy, Walker, Hensley—6.

Nays—Col. Gray, Colonial Secretary, Brecken, Haslam, Green, Montgomery, McLennan, J. C. Pope, Yeo, Laird, Howat, Kaye, Davies, Longworth, Haviland—15.

On motion of the Col. SECRETARY, a Committee was appointed to determine what vouchers relative to the public accounts should be published in the

Journals of the House. This motion elicited a discussion upon the necessity of having a Financial Secretary for the Colony, whose duty it would be to prepare the public accounts.

On motion of Mr. BRECKEN, a Committee was appointed to prepare an address thanking His Excellency the Lieut. Governor for the various despatches, messages and correspondence submitted by His Excellency for the information of this House.

The Appropriation Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. BRECKEN, as Chairman of Committee, reported a draft address in accordance with the Resolution of the House, acknowledging the indebtedness of the House to His Excellency in submitting for their information despatches, messages, and correspondence relating to the interests of the Colony. Said address was agreed to.

House adjourned.

MONDAY, May 2d.

Hon. Col. GRAY presented to the House a despatch received this day from the Secretary of State announcing that Her Majesty the Queen was pleased to confirm the Act to incorporate the Farmer's Bank of Rustico.

A Bill to enable John Robinson of Liverpool, England, to obtain letters patent, was read a third time and passed.

Hon. Col. SECRETARY informed the House that he had corresponded with the honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons, on the subject of obtaining for the use of our Legislature the Journals of the Imperial Parliament, and said he was glad to inform the House that the said Journals were kindly offered. He would therefore suggest the propriety of making provision for having them bound.

Hon. J. HENSLEY asked the Government by whose authority had the Mail Steamer been despatched yesterday (Sunday) for the English Mail to Cape Tormentine? He admitted that cases might arise in which perhaps necessity might require work to be performed on the Sabbath day, but in this case it was no work of necessity. The steamer might as well have been sent this morning as yesterday; what was the use of having a statute requiring the due observance of the Lord's Day, if those in the Government employ did not observe it? He was sure, he said, that the members of the Government, when they considered the matter, were as anxious as he was to enforce the strict observance of the Sabbath, but he felt it incumbent upon him to ask by what authority the mail steamer had yesterday (Sabbath) been despatched to Cape Tormentine.

Hon. leader of the Government replied and said, that all matters connected with the mails and postal arrangements were under the charge of the Postmaster General's department. Passengers and mails were delayed and kept on the other side because of the floating ice in the Straits. The steamer had made several attempts during the past week to get to Pictou but could not succeed. Information by telegraph