

On motion, ordered, that the order of the day, be postponed to Thursday next.

Mr. Owen, from the committee appointed to prepare an address to his Excellency the Lieut. Governor, thanking him for his attention to the object of the address of last Session, on the subject of procuring Arms for the Militia—reported, that the committee had drawn up an address accordingly—which was read at the Clerk's table, and is as follows:

To His Excellency Colonel JOHN READY, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over His Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories

thereunto adjacent, Chancellor and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please your Excellency,

We the Representatives of his Majesty's loyal subjects the Inhabitants of Prince Edward Island, having had under consideration the Despatch from the Secretary of State of 29th August, 1829, in reply to your Excellency's letter of 4th June last, enclosing the Address of this House, praying for a supply of Arms and Accoutrements for the Militia, beg to thank your Excellency for laying the said Despatch before us, and for your attention in forwarding the object of the Address to which it refers.

Ordered, that the Address be agreed to, and that **Mr. Owen** and **Mr. Dalrymple** be a Committee to wait on his Excellency with the same.

Adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, March 10, 1830.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.
—PRAYERS.

Mr. Cameron moved for leave to present a Petition from the Inhabitants of Point Prim, Belfast, and Glassfield, praying for pecuniary aid to complete a Road leading through Lots No. 57 and 58. Leave being granted, the said Petition was read, and ordered to be referred to the Committee on Road Appropriations, hereafter to be appointed.

Mr. Mabey moved for leave to present a Petition from certain Freeholders of this Island, praying the House to enact a Law to compel all venders of Pickled Fish within this Island to have the same legally inspected before it is offered for sale. Leave being granted, the said Petition was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Cameron moved for leave to present a Petition from Robert Shore and Dennis Dooling, Contractors for digging a public Well in Charlotte-Town, praying to be relieved from the contract. Leave being granted, the said Petition was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Owen reported from the Committee appointed to search for precedents in the case of Alexander Campbell, Esq. the late Treasurer—and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's table, where it was again read, and is as follows:—

Your Committee, to whom it was referred to search for precedents in the case of Alexander Campbell, Esq. a member of this House, and late Treasurer of the Island, and to report thereon, having made diligent search, beg leave to submit the result to the House.

The only case which your Committee can find directly in point, is that of Richard earl of Ranelagh, mentioned in the Parliamentary History, 1 Anne, 1703. That Nobleman, who for several years had held the situation of paymaster of the forces, was accused of a misapplication of the public money; and such accusation, on inquiry, having been found true, the House of Commons, of which House he was a member, came to the following resolutions:

1st. That Richard earl of Ranelagh, late paymaster of the Forces, is guilty of a high crime and misdemeanor, in misapplying several sums of the public money.

2d. That Richard earl of Ranelagh, for his said offences, be expelled this House.

Your Committee have observed, that in all cases bearing the least analogy to that of Mr. Campbell's, it has been the invariable practice of the House of Commons to expel the members as guilty of a misdemeanor, and unworthy a seat in the House.

It appears to your Committee, that Mr. Campbell's case is much more flagrant than the one here referred to, as Mr. Campbell has in his place acknowledged the misapplication of the public monies, by lending therefrom to Richard Yates, one of his sureties, and appropriating to his own use a very considerable sum.

Ordered, that the report of the Committee be agreed to.

On motion of **Mr. Brecken**, seconded by **Mr. Owen**—

RESOLVED, That Alexander Campbell, Esq. late Treasurer of this Island, a Member of this House, is guilty of a serious Misdemeanor, in lending, and appropriating to his own use, a large sum of the Public Money.

On motion of **Mr. Nelson**, seconded by **Mr. Mabey**—

RESOLVED, That Alexander Campbell, Esq. for his said offence, be expelled this House.

Ordered, that Richard Yates, Esq. be called before this House, and questioned as to the Public Money said to have been lent to him by the late Treasurer.

Mr. Yates appeared at the Bar, and, in answer to a question put to him by the Speaker, denied all knowledge of the transaction referred to.