

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, without making any amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received.

Ordered, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the Title be, *An Act to continue for a limited period certain Acts therein mentioned, which are about to expire.*

Mr. Thomson rose in his place, and called the attention of the House to certain charges which he intended to prefer against John Arbuckle, Esq. a Member of this House.

And the said charges were produced and read, and are as follow :

John Arbuckle is charged with having feloniously taken and carried from the premises of Mungo Macfarlane, Esq. a Letter, and with having made sale of the same.

That the said John Arbuckle, in the house of one Butler, in Charlottetown, uttered many contemptuous expressions respecting the Speaker of this House and its Members—among other expressions, that he would expose the Speaker, and that the Members were without brains, and that he had hard work to drive brains into them.

Mr. Le Lacheur moved that the consideration of the above charges be referred to a Committee of Privileges on Tuesday next.

Mr. Thomson moved, in amendment, that the words "on Tuesday next" be struck out, and the words "to-morrow" substituted.

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS :

Mr. Thomson,	Mr. J. Dingwell,
Mr. Rae,	Mr. Dalziel,
Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Macintosh.
Mr. Fraser,	

NAYS :

Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. Longworth,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. Macneill,
Mr. Yeo,	Hon. J. S. Macdonald,
Mr. Palmer,	Hon. Mr. Pope,
Mr. W. Dingwell,	Mr. Hudson,
Mr. Gorman,	Mr. Macfarlane,
Mr. Beck,	Mr. Forbes.
Mr. Clark,	

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the said Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That a copy of the above charges be furnished to Mr. Arbuckle.

Mr. Rae moved, that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the state of the Colony.

A motion being made, that Mr. Rae do have leave to withdraw the said motion ;

It was resolved in the affirmative.

The hour appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to receive the Address, having arrived, Mr. Speaker and the House went up—and being returned, Mr. Speaker reported, that the House had attended upon His Excellency, and presented their Address, to which His Excellency was pleased to make the following reply :

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly ;

I thank you for this Address. I shall at all times be desirous of communicating freely with you upon any matters connected with the welfare of the Colony.

Mr. Thomson, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Message praying for a statement of all Moneys collected under the Georgetown Assessment Act, reported, that the Committee had performed the duty assigned them, and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would attend to it.

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

SATURDAY, February 1, 1840.

MR. THOMSON, in his place, presented to the House the Impost and Light Duty Accounts for the District of Colville Bay, for the year ended 31st December, 1839.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be referred

to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

Ordered, That the Order of yesterday, for engrossing the Bill for continuing certain Laws