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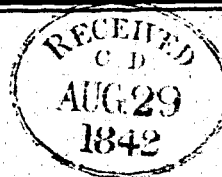
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PROCEEDINGS

OF HER MAJESTY'S

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

OF THE

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

1842.



PROCLAMATION.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE

LUCIUS BENTINCK,

VISCOUNT FALKLAND,

Knight Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order, and Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

Falkland.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued until Thursday, the 15th day of July next:

I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly, until Thursday, the 14th day of October next—of which all persons concerned are desired to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this 22d day of June, in the fifth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and in the Year of Our Lord 1841.

By His Excellency's Command,

RUPERT D. GEORGE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.



PROCLAMATION.

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LUCIUS BENTINCK,

VISCOUNT FALKLAND,

Knight Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order, and Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

Falkland.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued until Thursday, the 14th day of October next:

I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 9th day of December next—of which all persons concerned are desired to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this 7th day of October, in the 5th year of Her Majesty's Reign, and in the year of Our Lord 1841.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN WHIDDEN.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.



PROCLAMATION.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE

LUCIUS BENTINCK,

VISCOUNT FALKLAND,

Knight Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order, and Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

Falkland.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued until Thursday, the 9th day of December next:

I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Friday, the 24th day of December next—of which all persons concerned are desired to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this 1st day of December, in the 5th year of Her Majesty's Reign, and in the year of Our Lord 1841.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN WHIDDEN.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.



PROCLAMATION.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE

LUCIUS BENTINCK,

VISCOUNT FALKLAND,

Knight Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order, and Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

Falkland.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued until Friday, the 24th day of this present month of December:

I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 20th day of January next, then to meet for the *Despatch of Business*, of which all persons concerned are desired to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this 21st day of December, in the 5th year of Her Majesty's Reign, and in the year of Our Lord 1841.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN WHIDDEN.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

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PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA.

SECOND SESSION OF THE SEVENTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

ANNO QUINTO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

AT HALIFAX, IN THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA.
 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Thursday, 20th January, 1842.

The General Assembly having been prorogued to this day, the Council met:

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President. The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop. The Honorable Peter M'Nab, Norman F. Uniacke, James W. Johnston, William Lawson,	§ § § § §	The Honorable Alexander Stewart, Michael Tobin, Junr. John Morton, Hugh Bell.
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At a quarter past two of the clock in the afternoon, His Excellency the Right Honourable Lucius Bentinck, Viscount FALKLAND, Knight Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order, and Member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c., came to the Council Chamber, attended as usual, and, being seated, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod received His Excellency's command to let the House of Assembly know "It is His Excellency's will and pleasure they attend him immediately in this House"—who, being come, with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to open the Session with the following Speech:

H. E. comes to Council Chamber

H. A. attend

*Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council ;
 Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly ;*

I rejoice at the recurrence of that season of the year, at which I am enabled to be-
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Speech

THURSDAY, 20th JANUARY, 1842.

nefit by your advice and assistance in the conduct of public affairs; and to avail myself of the Legislative experience and local knowledge possessed by so many among you. I have endeavoured, as far as possible, to meet your understood wishes in regard to the time of convening you in General Assembly.

It is my gratifying duty to announce to you the birth of a Male Heir to the British Throne: you will, I am sure, share in the joy felt by all Subjects of our gracious Sovereign at an event so calculated to promote the domestic happiness of Her Majesty, and to assure the future prosperity of the Empire.

Although a slight decrease has taken place in the Revenue, I am glad to be able to state, that no diminution has occurred of sufficient amount to affect the scale of the public expenditure, and that all Provincial engagements, up to this period, have been punctually discharged.

The Fisheries have been as productive as in former years, the continued success of this branch of industry being in a great degree attributable to the vessels manned and fitted out with a view to its protection.

We have to be thankful for a most abundant Harvest, and there is reason to believe that the heavy expense incurred by the Province, and the efforts lately made by the Legislature with a view to the encouragement of Agriculture, and the introduction of a more scientific system of cultivation, will be attended with much future benefit.

All matters recommended to the consideration of the Executive by the Legislature during the last Session have met with due attention, and the Correspondence relating to these subjects will forthwith be communicated to you.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly;

The Accounts to the 31st of December are prepared, and shall be laid before you without delay. I trust that, on investigation, it will appear that the Provincial Funds have been neither prodigally nor injudiciously expended, and I confidently rely on your liberality to provide the requisite Supplies for the current year.

*Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council;
Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly;*

The defective state of the Law as respects Debtor and Creditor, rendering it in many cases inoperative, and, in others, unjust to both alike, has suggested to the Government the necessity of a provision by which the rights of each may be clearly defined and secured. The evident need of some enactment of this nature seems to be generally admitted, and the main principles on which such an Act ought to be founded, to be as generally conceded; every anxiety therefore has been felt by myself, and those to whose aid and advice I have had recourse, to frame a Statute on the subject, that any difficulties heretofore experienced in the arrangement of the details of a Bankrupt Law should be overcome; I hope you will find this to have been accomplished in the proposition which will be submitted to you, and that the Commercial part of the Community will no longer suffer under the want of this indispensable protection.

The Crown Officers have been engaged in a careful revision of the Criminal Law, and are prepared to propose for adoption such further amendments as are yet requisite to assimilate the Provincial Code to that of the Mother Country.

The Legislature having already entered on the consideration of the existing Law of Probate, and of the mode in which the distribution of the Estates of deceased persons should be regulated, the attention of the Government has been drawn to the subject, and a Bill, founded on a measure which has been partially approved of by the House of Assembly, will be subjected to your deliberation.

Any step which you shall consider as having a tendency to ameliorate the condition of the Indian Population of Nova-Scotia, will, I am convinced, meet with your ready concurrence; and, in asking your co-operation to this end, I feel no doubt that a Bill, which will shortly be presented to you, and which has been framed with a view to this object, will meet with a favorable reception.

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THURSDAY, 20th JANUARY, 1842.

Several other measures of great importance, as essentially affecting the internal Administration of the Province, will be offered for your approval.

In endeavouring by every means in my power to ascertain what practical improvements are most wanted, and in urging those improvements on the Legislature, I have but done my duty to the Queen and to the Colony. Your task remains yet to be performed: from you, the Country will expect a scrutinizing and candid examination of the measures propounded, and the Provincial Government, aware that it is as much your duty as it is your right, to weigh all propositions bearing on the public interests, while it offers for your consideration, plans deemed, after mature deliberation, to be of such a nature that your adoption of them would lead to the best results, frankly invites investigation, and courts your assistance as well to discover and reject that which is inexpedient, as to perfect, and bring into operation, whatever shall appear likely to contribute to the general welfare.

The House of Assembly then withdrew, and His Excellency was pleased to retire soon after.

H. A. withdraw
H. E. retires

PRAYERS.

A Bill for improving the Administration of Criminal Justice, was read a first time.

Bill pro forma read

The President reported His Excellency's Speech; and the same being read by the Clerk,

H. E's Speech reported

Mr. Morton moved that the following Address be presented to His Excellency, in answer to his Speech:

Address in answer

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE

LUCIUS BENTINCK,

VISCOUNT FALKLAND,

Knight Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order, and Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

The Address of the Legislative Council of the Province of Nova-Scotia.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Legislative Council of Nova-Scotia, thank Your Excellency for the Speech with which you have opened the present Session of the General Assembly, and we beg to express our acknowledgments to Your Excellency for consulting the wishes and convenience of the Legislature in regard to the time of its meeting.

Address

The Loyal Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia have shared in the general joy produced by the birth of an Heir to the British Throne: an event so calculated to promote the domestic happiness of Her Majesty cannot but be most gratifying to all her subjects. It is the sincere and most fervent prayer of the Legislative Council, that this Prince, instructed by his Illustrious Mother, and guided by Her example, may be imbued with all great qualities necessary to the prosperity and happiness of an Empire: and that if, mature in age and wisdom, it is the will of Heaven, that he shall succeed to Her, he may assume the Government of that Great Country, encompassed by the noblest safeguards of a Throne—the affections of a virtuous and free people.

It is satisfactory to us to be informed that the public expenditures have been continued, and that all Provincial engagements, up to this period, have been discharged notwithstanding a slight diminution of the Revenue. And we are glad to learn that the Fisheries have been productive as in former years, and that the measures adopted for their protection have contributed to their success.

For

THURSDAY, 20th JANUARY, 1842.

For the abundant Harvest of the past year we have abundant reason to be thankful, and we rejoice to be informed by Your Excellency, that the great expence incurred by the Province with a view to the encouragement of Agriculture is likely to be productive of much future benefit, being deeply convinced that however important other branches of industry may be, the permanent prosperity of the Country must be mainly derived from the cultivation of the soil.

We have long felt the defective state of the Law as respects the rights of Debtor and Creditor, and the need of some enactment to remove an evil so very generally admitted to exist, and in thanking your Excellency for taking the subject into consideration, we think we can assure you that if an effectual remedy is provided by the Legislature, for those derangements and difficulties to which all engaged in commerce are exposed, the thanks of the Country will be most readily added to ours.

The amendments proposed to the Criminal Code, so as to render it analogous to that of the Mother Country, and also those relating to the Law of Probate, and the distribution of the Estate of Intestates, shall receive our serious attention.

It is the duty of every Inhabitant of this Continent, to do every thing in his power to ameliorate the condition of its Aboriginal Possessors, and we shall gladly receive and entertain any proposition tending to effect an object so desirable, and to alleviate the misfortunes of a Race of Men, who, however degraded they now are, we should never forget were once the rightful owners of the Country, and owe its loss and their degradation to us.

Such other measures as your Excellency shall offer to the consideration of the Legislature, will receive our respectful attention, and the experience we have had of your Excellency's solicitude to promote the welfare of the Country, will enable us to enter into the investigation of them with the perfect assurance that they have been submitted to us, with an anxious desire on the part of your Excellency, to perform your duty to our Sovereign and the Province.

Which Address being read by the Clerk, was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by the whole House.

Ordered, That Mr. Morton, Mr. McNab and Mr. Bell, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency, and ascertain when His Excellency will be pleased to receive this House with their Address.

Agreed to

Com. to wait on H. E. to ascertain when he will receive Address

Address to H. M. on Birth of a Prince

Com. to prepare Address

On motion of Mr. Tobin, *resolved*, that an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, congratulating Her Majesty on the birth of an Heir to the British Throne.

Ordered, That Mr. Tobin, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Morton, be a Committee to prepare the said Address.

Com. of Privileges

Ordered, That Mr. Morton, Mr. McNab, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Tobin and Mr. Bell, be a Committee of Privileges.

Mr. Cutler's reason for non-attendance

The President read a Letter addressed to him by Mr. Cutler, giving the reasons for his non-attendance in his place in this House.

Mr. McFarlane's excuse for non attendance

The President read a Letter addressed to him by Mr. McFarlane, stating that an unexpected occurrence would prevent his attendance in his place in this House until the beginning of February.

Mr. Ratchford's excuse

The President read a Letter addressed to him by Mr. Starr, stating that illness prevented the attendance of Mr. Ratchford in his place in this House.

Adjourn

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Friday,

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FRIDAY and MONDAY, 21st and 24th JANUARY, 1842.

Friday, 21st January, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President. The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop. The Honorable Peter McNab, James W. Johnston, William Lawson, Alexander Stewart,	§ 	The Honorable Michael Tobin, Junr. John Morton, Hugh Bell.
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PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

Mr. Morton, the Chairman of the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and ascertain when His Excellency would receive this House with their Address, reported that the Committee had performed that duty, and that His Excellency had been pleased to state that he would receive this House to-day at half past two of the clock, p. m.

Report of Com. to wait on H. E. to know when he will receive Address

The House accordingly proceeded to the Government House with their Address, and, being returned to the Council Chamber, the President reported that His Excellency had been pleased to receive the said Address, and to return the following reply thereto :

House wait on H. E. with Address

Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen ;

Reply

I feel much gratified and obliged by your Address. I place the most perfect reliance on your assurance, that any measures submitted to your consideration, by my direction, will receive due attention; and that you are desirous of affording me, on every occasion, your best assistance to perform my duty to Her Majesty and the Colony.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Whidden, with the following Resolution :

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Dewolf, Mr. Stairs, Mr. Forrestall, Mr. Holdsworth, and Mr. Marshall, be a Committee of this House for the purpose of examining the Public Accounts, jointly, with a Committee of the Legislative Council.

Com. of Public Accounts of H. A.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the reasons given by Mr. Cutler for his non-attendance, and, after some time spent in deliberation, the further consideration of the subject was postponed until a future day.

Consideration of Mr. Cutler's reasons for absence

On motion, *resolved,* that Mr. Tobin, Mr. Morton and Mr. Bell, be a Committee of this House to join a Committee of the House of Assembly to examine the Public Accounts, and that the Clerk do acquaint the House of Assembly therewith.

Com. of Public Accounts of Council

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until Monday, at two o'clock.

Adjourn

Monday, 24th January, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President. The Honorable Peter M'Nab, James W. Johnston, William Lawson, Alexander Stewart,	§ 	The Honorable Michael Tobin, Junr. John Morton, Hugh Bell.
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PRAYERS.

The Minutes of Friday were read.

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MONDAY, 24th JANUARY, 1842.

Message from H. E. relative to tenure of seats by Members of Council

John Whidden, Esquire, the Deputy Secretary of the Province, informed the House that he was commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to lay before the House the following written Message, signed by His Excellency :

MESSAGE.

Message

(Signed) Falkland.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Council, that he has received a Despatch from Lord Stanley, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated December 7th, 1841, and directing that " In the event of any Member of the Executive or Legislative Council of the Province of Nova-Scotia, being under the necessity of making an assignment of his property to, or of entering into a composition with, his Creditors, such Member shall be disqualified to retain his seat at that Board"; and desiring that the Lieutenant-Governor will call " on any Member of the Executive or Legislative Council who may now or hereafter be in the same predicament, to resign his seat; and in the event of non-compliance, that the Lieutenant-Governor will suspend any such Councillor from his office."

Government-House, 24th January, 1842.

The said Message was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

President communicates resignation of Mr. Starr

The President laid before the House a Letter addressed to him by the Honorable J. Leander Starr, stating that he had transmitted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor his resignation of his seat as a Member of this House.

Message from H. E. with rules of Supreme Court

Mr. Stewart, by His Excellency's command, laid before the House a Copy of a Letter addressed to His Excellency by the Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice Hill, and Mr. Justice Bliss, together with sundry Rules drawn up by them for the Supreme Court, pursuant to the directions of an Act passed in the last Session of the General Assembly.

The same were read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

(*Vide Appendix, No. 1.*)

Clerk to send Message relative to Seats of Members

Ordered, That the Clerk do send to each Member of this House, a copy of the Extract from Lord Stanley's Despatch, relative to the Tenure of Seats in this House.

Resolutions relative to Mr. Cutler

The House proceeded to the further consideration of Mr. Cutler's Letter; and on motion *Resolved,* That the reasons assigned by Mr. Cutler in his Letter to the President for his non-attendance, are such as this House cannot accept of.

Resolved, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, informing him of the absence of Mr. Cutler, and praying His Excellency to admonish Mr. Cutler, pursuant to Her Majesty's sixth general Instruction.

Resolved, That the Clerk do immediately inform Mr. Cutler of the foregoing Resolutions.

Resolved, That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Address to H. E. relative to Mr. Cutler

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE

LUCIUS BENTINCK,

VISCOUNT FALKLAND.

Knight Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order, and Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

The Address of the Legislative Council.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

The Legislative Council most respectfully inform Your Excellency that they have adopted certain

MONDAY and TUESDAY, 24th and 25th JANUARY, 1842.

certain Resolutions relative to the non-attendance in his place of the Hon. Robert M. Cutler, a Member of this House, and beg to present to Your Excellency a copy of the said Resolutions.

Resolved, That Mr. Morton and Mr. McNab, be a Committee to present the forgoing Address and Resolutions to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Resolved, That the Clerk do write to the absent Members, (except Mr. McFarlane and Mr. Ratchford,) requiring their immediate attendance in their places in this House.

Mr. Stewart, by His Excellency's command, laid before the House the Provincial Treasurer's Accounts for the year 1841.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be referred to the Committee appointed to examine the Public Accounts.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Com. to present Address

Clerk to summon absent members

Public Accounts laid before House

Ref. to Com. of Public Accounts

Adjourn

Tuesday, 25th January, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable Peter McNab,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
Alexander Stewart,

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The Honorable Alexander Campbell,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

Mr. Morton, the Chairman of the Committee appointed to carry to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the Resolutions and the Address of this House to His Excellency, relative to the Honorable Robert M. Cutler, reported that the Committee had performed that duty.

Com. to present Resolutions, &c. rel. to Mr. Cutler report

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, with the following Bills:

A Bill, entitled, An Act for regulating the Currency of this Province.

A Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Registrars of Deeds throughout this Province. To which Bills they desired the concurrence of this House.

Currency and Registrar of Deeds Bill received

A Bill, entitled, An Act for regulating the Currency of this Province, was read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day, and that the said Bill be printed.

Currency Bill read 1st time And ordered to be printed

A Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Registrars of Deeds throughout this Province, was read a first time.

Registrars of Deeds Bill read 1st time

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Adjourn

Wednesday,

Wednesday, 26th January, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable Peter McNab,	§	The Honorable Alexander Campbell,
James W. Johnston,	§	Michael Tobin, Junr.
William Lawson,	§	John Morton,
Alexander Stewart,	§	Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

Forgery

Mr. Johnston presented a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law relating to Forgery ; also,

Offences against
Coin and
Embezzlement Bills
presented and read
1st time

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law against Offences, relating to the Coin ; also,
A Bill, entitled, An Act for more effectually preventing embezzlements by persons employed in the Public Service of Her Majesty.

Which were read a first time.

And referred to Sel.
Com.

Ordered, That the said Bills be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report upon.

Committee

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Morton and Mr. Bell, be a Committee for that purpose

Currency Bill read
2d time

A Bill, entitled, An Act for regulating the Currency of this Province, was read a second time.

And ord. to Com.
on Monday

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Currency Order of
Day for Monday

On motion, *resolved*, that it be the Order of the Day for Monday next, for the House to examine witnesses relative to, and to take into consideration the whole subject of, the Currency of this Province.

Committee to pre-
pare Questions

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to prepare Questions to be put to the persons to be examined on the said subject.

Committee

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Tobin and Mr. Bell, be a Committee for that purpose.

Adjourn

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Thursday, 27th January, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable Peter McNab,	§	The Honorable Alexander Campbell,
James W. Johnston,	§	Michael Tobin, Junr.
William Lawson,	§	John Morton,
Alexander Stewart,	§	Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

Com. on Currency
report questions

Mr. Stewart, the Chairman of the Committee appointed to prepare Questions to be put to the persons to be examined on the subject of the Currency, reported the following Questions, viz :

First.—Is the present state of the Law, respecting the Currency, such as to require Legislative interference ?

Second.—Do you think that the Bill, now before the Council, should become Law, or that it is susceptible of amendment, and in what particulars ?

Third.

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Third.—Should the amount of British Silver be limited in its amount as a legal tender, and at what sum?

Fourth.—Will you favor the House with your opinion as to making British Sterling the money of account in this Province?

Fifth.—Would any practical difficulty arise from making British Money exclusively the money of circulation, leaving Foreign Coins to be bought and sold as Bullion? If so, will you state wherein that difficulty consists?

Sixth.—What was the rate of Exchange on London during the past year, particularly in the months of June, July, August and September; and can you account for the rate being so high in these months?

Seventh.—There was a very oppressive demand for Specie in this City during the past year.—Do you know what caused the scarcity of Specie?

Eighth.—What is the current price of the Sovereign, the Doubloon, and the Mexican Dollar, at the present time in this City?

Ninth.—If the Sovereign, the Doubloon, and the Mexican Dollar are fixed at their true relative values, with reference to the quantity of pure gold and silver in each, will our Commercial operations have any effect upon such values, and thereby have a tendency to throw either, and which of them, out of circulation?

Tenth.—If, at present, a Debtor owed you a sum of money—*exempli gratia* £10,000—and you were entitled to demand payment in either of these coins, which would you require? And will you state, in figures, the gain or loss, if any, which would result from receiving payment of that sum in Doubloons at £4 Currency; Sovereigns at 25s. Currency to the £1 Sterling; British Silver at the same rate; and Dollars at 5s. 2½d. Currency?

Eleventh.—What is your opinion of the value of the Dollar at 5s. 2½d.; the Sovereign at 25s.; and the Doubloon at 80s. Currency; or at 4s. 2d., 20s., and 64s. Sterling?

Twelfth.—Would these different Coins be convertible, the one into the other, without any alteration in the amount?

Thirteenth.—If the value named were affixed to each Coin, which, do you suppose, would most freely circulate?

Fourteenth.—Are you acquainted with the intrinsic value of the United States Dollar and Half Dollar, compared with the Central and South American?

Fifteenth.—Do you know whether the Central and South American Dollar are more in demand in the United States than the American? And if so, what is the reason?

Sixteenth.—What is your judgment of the intrinsic value of British Silver compared with the value of the Coins named in the Bill?

Seventeenth.—Do you know what description of Coin is most abundant in the West India Islands—and why?

Ordered, That the said Report be received and printed.

The President read a Letter addressed to him by Mr. Wilkins, apologizing for his absence, and stating he would be in his place on Tuesday next.

Mr. Stewart, the Chairman of the Committee to whom the three Criminal Law Bills were referred, reported that the Committee had examined the said Bills—whereupon,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law relating to Forgery; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law against offences relating to the Coin; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act for more effectually preventing embezzlements by persons employed in the Public Service of Her Majesty,

Were read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future time.

John Whidden, Esq. the Deputy Secretary of the Province, informed the House that he was commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to lay before the House the following written Messages, signed by His Excellency.

Mr. Wilkins' excuse

Com. on Crim. Laws report

Forgery

Offences against Coin and Embezzlement Bills

Read 2d time and Ord. to Com.

Message

THURSDAY and FRIDAY, 27th and 28th JANUARY, 1842.

MESSAGE.

(Signed) FALKLAND.

Message com. ap-
pointment of Sir C.
Bagot as Gov. Gen.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has received a Despatch from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 30th September, 1841, announcing that Her Majesty had been pleased to appoint the Right Honorable Sir Charles Bagot, G. C. B., to be Captain General and Governor in Chief of the Provinces of Canada, New Brunswick and Nova-Scotia, and of the Island of Prince Edward, and Governor General of all Her Majesty's Provinces on the Continent of North America, and of the Island of Prince Edward; and the Lieutenant-Governor has also to inform the Legislative Council that Sir Charles Bagot assumed the Government, by virtue of the foregoing appointment, on the 12th day of January instant.

Government House, 27th January, 1842.

MESSAGE.

(Signed) FALKLAND.

Message com. re-
ception by H. M.
of Address on birth
of Princess Royal

The Lieutenant-Governor acquaints the Legislative Council that he has received a Despatch from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated the 27th March, 1841, announcing that the Joint Address to the Queen from the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, congratulating Her Majesty on the birth of the Princess Royal, has been laid before the Queen, and that Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to instruct the Lieutenant-Governor to signify to the Legislative Council and House of Assembly the gratification with which she had received their congratulations, on an event so deeply interesting to Her Majesty's feelings.

Government-House, 27th January, 1842.

The said Messages were read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Standing Order
suspended

On motion, *resolved unanimously*, that the Standing Order of this House, number 72, relative to Bills not being read or proceeded in twice in the same day, be suspended—whereupon,

Com. on Bills

The House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. M'Nab reported that the Committee had made some progress.

Report
Forgery
Offences against
Coin and
Embezzlement Bills
without amdt.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through
A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law relating to Forgery; also,
A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law against offences relating to the Coin; also,
A Bill, entitled, An Act for more effectually preventing embezzlements by persons employed in the Public Service of Her Majesty,
And had agreed to the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bills be engrossed, and read a third time, at a future day.

Adjourn

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Friday, 28th January, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable Peter M'Nab,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
Alexander Stewart,

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The Honorable Alexander Campbell,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

Forgery and

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law relating to Forgery; also,

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, 28th and 29th JANUARY, 1842.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for more effectually preventing embezzlements by persons employed in the Public Service of Her Majesty, Were read a third time, and the question was put by the President, on each Bill, Whether this Bill shall pass?
It was resolved in the affirmative.

Embezzlement Bills
Read 3d time and agreed to

Mr. Johnston, by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's commands, laid before the House,

Message with

A Copy of a Despatch from Lord Stanley to the Lieutenant-Governor, dated 30th November, 1841, announcing Her Majesty's safe delivery of a Prince.
(For Despatch vide Appendix No. 2.)

Despatch announcing birth of Prince

Also, a Copy of a Despatch from Lord John Russell to the Lieutenant-Governor, dated 30th August, 1841, relative to a Provincial Act, passed (with a suspending clause) in the last Session, "for facilitating the recovery of Seamen's wages," with a copy of the Report of the Law Officers of the Crown thereon.
(For Despatch and Report vide Appendix No. 3.)

And Despatch announcing dissent to Seamaus' Wages Bill

The said Despatches and Report were read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 1 o'clock.

Adjourn

Saturday, 29th January, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
Alexander Stewart,
Alexander Campbell,

The Honorable Michael Tobin, Junr.
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,

To carry down a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law relating to Forgery; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act for more effectually preventing embezzlements by persons employed in the Public Service of Her Majesty,
And desire their concurrence thereto.

Forgery and Embezzlement Bills sent to H. A.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law against offences relating to the Coin, was read a third time, and the question was put by the President,
Whether this Bill shall pass?

Offences against Coin Bill read 3d time and agreed to

It was resolved in the affirmative.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,

To carry down the said Bill, and desire their concurrence thereto.

And sent to H. A.

Mr. Tobin, the Chairman of the Committee appointed to draw up an Address of congratulation to Her Majesty on the birth of an Heir to the Throne, reported the draft of an Address to Her Majesty, and also of an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered them to the Clerk, who read the same as follows:

Com. report Address to H. M. on birth of Prince and Address to H. E.

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

Address to H. M.

The Address of the Legislative Council of the Province of Nova-Scotia.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—

We, the Legislative Council of Nova-Scotia, beg to offer to Your Majesty our heartfelt congratulations on the auspicious event which has filled the Empire with joy, and to express

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express our fervent hopes that the Prince, to whom Your Majesty has given birth, instructed by the bright example of his Illustrious Parents, may long live in the affections of Your Majesty's Loyal Subjects.

Address to H. E.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE
LUCIUS BENTINCK,
VISCOUNT FALKLAND,

Knight Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order, and Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

The Address of the Legislative Council.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

The Legislative Council have passed an Address of Congratulation to Her Majesty on the birth of an Heir to the Throne, which they respectfully pray Your Excellency will be pleased to transmit to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Address adopted
Com. to present

Ordered, That the said Addresses be received and adopted.

Ordered, That the Committee who prepared the said Addresses, be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Adjourn

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until Monday, at two o'clock.

Monday, 31st January, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.	
The Honorable Peter M'Nab, Norman F. Uniacke, James W. Johnston, William Lawson, Alexander Stewart,	§ § § § §
	The Honorable Alexander Campbell, Michael Tobin, Junr. Daniel M'Farlane, John Morton, Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, with the following Bills:

Indian

A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide for the instruction and permanent settlement of the Indians.

Meeting-House Ar-
gyle and

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting House at Argyle, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

Sheriffs Bills read
1st time

A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the appointment of Sheriffs.

To which Bills they desired the concurrence of this House.

The said Bills were read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bills be read a second time, at a future day.

Order of Day
Currency

The Order of the Day being read for "the House to examine Witnesses relative to, and to take into consideration the whole subject of, the Currency of this Province, the House proceeded to the examination of the following persons, viz: Wm. Hewetson, Esq. Deputy Commissary.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, 2d and 3d FEBRUARY, 1842.

Wednesday, 2d February, 1842.

Pursuant to adjournment, the following Members met, viz :

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.		
The Honorable Peter M'Nab,	§	The Honorable Daniel M'Farlane,
Norman F. Uniacke,	§	John Morton,
Alexander Stewart,	§	Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

Adjourned for want of a Quorum

At half-past two o'clock, P. M., there being but seven Members present—the President took the Chair, and adjourned the House until To-morrow at 1 o'clock, P. M., pursuant to the Standing Order of this House, number 38.

Thursday, 3d February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.		
The Honorable Peter McNab,	§	The Honorable James Bond,
James W. Johnston,	§	Michael Tobin, Junr.
William Lawson,	§	Daniel McFarlane,
George Smith	§	John Morton,
Alexander Stewart,	§	Hugh Bell.
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.	§	

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of Tuesday and Wednesday were read.
The following Commission was read :

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE

LUCIUS BENTINCK,

VISCOUNT FALKLAND,

Knight Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order, and Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

L. S.

(Signed) Falkland.

To all to whom these presents shall come—greeting :

Know Ye, that I, the said Lieutenant-Governor, by virtue of the power and authority in me vested, have constituted and appointed, and do by these presents constitute and appoint, the Honorables James W. Johnston and Alexander Stewart to be a Commissioner or Commissioners, or either of them, to tender and administer the usual State Oaths according to Law, to all and every person and persons, who is, are, or shall be, appointed a Member or Members of the Legislative Council in this Province, giving them, or either of them, full power and authority to perform the matters hereinbefore mentioned, ratifying and confirming all and whatsoever the said Commissioners, or either of them, shall do and perform in this behalf.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this 3d day of February, 1842, in the 5th year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,
(Signed)

JOHN WHIDDEN.
James

Commission to administer State Oaths to Members of L. Council

THURSDAY, 3d FEBRUARY, 1842.

James Bond, Esq. was introduced by Mr. McNab and Mr. Stewart, and presented his Mandamus—the same was read—whereupon the usual State Oaths were administered to him by the Commissioners, and he having subscribed the same, after giving and receiving salutations to and from the Members present, his seat was assigned to him next to Mr. Ratchford.

Mr. Bond introduced and takes Oaths

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that Mr. Campbell have leave of absence to return home, on account of sickness in his family.

Leave of absence to Mr. Campbell

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, with the following Bill:

A Bill entitled, An Act to extend to the Town of Sydney the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places.

Highways Sydney Bill brought from H. A.

To which Bill they desired the concurrence of this House.

The Messenger also informed the House that the House of Assembly agreed to,

Message from H. A. agreeing to Forgery Embezzlements &

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law relating to Forgery; also, A Bill, entitled, An Act for more effectually preventing embezzlements by persons employed in the Public Service of Her Majesty; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law against offences relating to the Coin, With amendments—to which amendments they desired the concurrence of this House.

Offences against Coin Bills With amendments

A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend to the Town of Sydney the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places, was read a first time.

Highways Sydney Bill read 1st time

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the House of Assembly to a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law relating to Forgery.

Amendt. to Forgery Bill read

The said amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

“In the second Clause—after the word “Province,” in the twentieth line, add the words “or Treasury.”

In the fourth Clause—leave out the word “Provincial,” in the thirteenth line, and instead thereof insert the word “General.”

In the tenth Clause—after the word “Province,” in the sixth and eighth lines respectively, insert the words “or Treasury.”

In the Proviso and enacting Clause, after the eleventh Clause—after the words “Church-wardens,” in the seventeenth line, insert the words “or of any one Justice of the Peace of the County, Town or place.”

At the end of the Bill add the following enacting Clause:

“*And be it enacted*, That the eighth Clause or Section of the Act, passed in the thirty-second year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, entitled, An Act for punishing Criminal Offenders, shall continue in force until and throughout the last day of March, in the present year, and shall, from and after that day, be repealed, except as to offences committed before or on the last day of March, which shall be dealt with and punished as if this Act had not been passed; and this Act shall commence and take effect, except as hereinbefore excepted, on the first day of April, in this present year.”

And the said amendments being read a second and third time, were agreed to.

And agreed to

On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the House of Assembly to a Bill, entitled, An Act for more effectually preventing embezzlements by persons employed in the Public Service of Her Majesty.

Amtds. to embezzlements Bill read

The said amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

“First Clause—after the word “labour,” in the 17th line, insert the words “for any term not exceeding five years.”

Second Clause—after the word “Bank,” in the tenth line, insert the words “for any other Bank.”

And the said amendments being read a second and third time, were agreed to.

And agreed to

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THURSDAY and FRIDAY, 3d and 4th FEBRUARY, 1842.

Indian Bill sent to
H. A.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,
To return a Bill, entitled, An Act to provide for the instruction and permanent settlement
of the Indians, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, without any a-
mendment.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Friday, 4th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Peter M'Nab,

Norman F. Uniacke,

James W. Johnston,

William Lawson,

George Smith,

Alexander Stewart,

The Honorable Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.

James Bond,

Michael Tobin, Junr.

Daniel McFarlane,

John Morton,

Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the
House of Assembly to a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law against offences relating
to the Coin.

The said amendments were read twice by the Clerk, and are as follows :

“First Clause—1. Omit the words between the word “Coin,” in the 6th line, and the
word “or” in the 7th line.

2. Omit the words between the word “Province,” in the eighth line, and the word
“every,” in the 9th line.

Second Clause—3. In the last line, omit the word “three,” and insert instead thereof
the word “four.”

Third Clause—4. In the last line, omit the word “two,” and instead thereof insert the
word “four.”

Fourth Clause—5. After the word “resemble,” in the fifth line, insert the words “or
pass for.”

6. In the eighth line omit all the words after the word “Province” in this line.

7. In the 17th line omit all the words after the word “Province” in this line.

8. In the last line before the word “years” insert the word “four.”

Fifth Clause—9. In the seventh line, omit all the words after the word “Province” in
this line.

10. In the twelfth line, after the word “Current” insert the words “Gold or Silver.”

11. In the fourteenth line, after the word “Province” omit all the other words in this line.

12. In the last line, omit the word “two,” and instead thereof insert the word “four.”

Sixth Clause—13. Omit all the words between the word “Province,” in the 12th line,
and the word “every” in the 13th line.

14. In the 16th line, omit the word “two,” and instead thereof insert the word “four.”

Eighth Clause—15. In the 19th line, omit the word “and,” and instead thereof insert
the word “or.”

16. At the end of the Clause add the following words “or to any person authorized by
him to receive the same.”

Twelfth Clause—17. After the word “include,” in the 7th line, insert the words “and
denote.”

Fourteenth Clause—At the end of this Clause add the following words :

18. “And if a verdict shall pass for the Defendant, or the Plaintiff shall become non-suit,

or

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against coin Bill
considered

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or discontinue any such action after issue joined, or if upon demurrer, or otherwise, judgment shall be given against the Plaintiff, in every such case the Defendant shall recover his full costs as between Attorney and Client, and have the like remedy for the same as any Defendant hath by Law in other cases; and though a verdict shall be given for the Plaintiff in any such action, such Plaintiff shall not have Costs against the Defendant, unless the Judge, before whom the trial shall be had, certify his approbation of the action, and of the verdict obtained thereupon."

At the end of the Bill add the following Clause:

"19. *And be it enacted*, That the Sixth and Seventh Clauses or Sections of the Act, passed in the Thirty-second Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, entitled, An Act for punishing Criminal Offenders, shall be continued in force until and throughout the last day of March, in the present year, and shall, from and after that day, be repealed, except as to offences committed before or on the last day of March, which shall be dealt with and punished as if this Act had not been passed; and this Act shall commence and take effect, except as hereinbefore excepted, on the first day of April, in the present year."

Then, the first amendment being read a third time,

It was moved that the said amendment be not agreed to, and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The second amendment being read a third time,

It was moved that the said amendment be not agreed to, and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The third, fourth, and fifth amendments being severally read a third time, were agreed to.

The sixth and seventh amendments being severally read a third time,

It was moved on each that the said amendment be not agreed to, and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The eighth amendment being then read a third time, was agreed to.

The ninth amendment being then read a third time, it was moved that the said amendment be not agreed to, and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The tenth amendment being then read a third time, was agreed to.

The eleventh amendment being then read a third time, it was moved that the said amendment be not agreed to, and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The twelfth amendment being then read a third time, was agreed to.

The thirteenth amendment being then read a third time, it was moved that the said amendment be not agreed to, and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth amendments being severally read a third time, were agreed to.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,

To carry down the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House agree to the third, fourth, fifth, eighth, tenth, twelfth, fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth amendments proposed by them to the said Bill, and do not agree to the first, second, sixth, seventh, ninth, eleventh, and thirteenth amendments thereto.

Message to H. A. with Bill

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,

To carry down a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law relating to Forgery; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act for more effectually preventing embezzlements by persons employed in the Public Service of Her Majesty,

And inform them that this House have agreed to their amendments to the said Bills.

Forgery and Embezzlement Bills sent to H. A.

Amendts. agreed to

Mr. Morton brought up the Petition of William Dunlop and others, praying aid to the Acadia College—which was ordered to lie on the Table.

Pet. of W. Dunlop and others

Mr. Bell brought up the Petition of William Chipman and others, praying aid to the Acadia College—which was ordered to lie on the Table.

Pet. of W. Chipman and others

Mr. Bond brought up the Petition of Harris Harding and others; also, the Petition of A. V. Dimock and others, praying aid to the Acadia College—which was ordered to lie on the Table.

Pet. of H. Harding and al.
Pet. of A. V. Dimock and others

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Pet. W. Jackson & others	Mr. McFarlane brought up the Petition of Wellington Jackson and others, praying aid to the Acadia College—which was ordered to lie on the Table.
Meeting House Argyle &	A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting House at Argyle, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof; also,
Highways Sydney Bill	A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend to the Town of Sydney the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places,
Read 2d time	Were read a second time. <i>Ordered</i> , That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future time.
Standing Order suspended	<i>Ordered</i> , That the Standing Order of this House, number 72, relative to Bills not being read or proceeded in twice in the same day, be suspended with regard to the said Bills.
Committee	The House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bills.
Report Meeting House Argyle Bill with amtds.	After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. McNab reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting House at Argyle, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, and had made several amendments thereto.
Amtds. read	The said amendments were read by the Clerk as follows: First Clause—Instead of the word “appointment,” in the 31st line of the first Clause, insert the word “apportionment.” Instead of the word “appointment,” in the 39th line, insert the word “apportionment.” Second Clause—Instead of the word “appointment,” in the 3rd line of the 2nd Clause, insert the word “apportionment.”
Agreed to	And the said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to by the House.
Bill read 3d time	The said Bill was then, by order, read a third time, and the question was put by the President, Whether this Bill, with the amendments, shall pass? It was resolved in the affirmative.
Agreed to and sent to H. A.	A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk, To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the said Bill, with amendments—to which amendments their concurrence is desired.
Report Highways Sydney Bill without amtd.	The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act to extend to the Town of Sydney the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places, and had agreed to the same without any amendment.
Bill read 3d time	The said Bill was then, by order, read a third time, and the question was put by the President, Whether this Bill shall pass? It was resolved in the affirmative.
Agreed to and sent to H. A.	A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk, To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, without any amendment.
	A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, with the following Bills:
Folly Meeting House	A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend to the Meeting-House at Folly Village the provisions of an Act relating to the Meeting-House at Masstown, and to amend the said Act.
Cape Breton	A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton.
Attachments and	A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act to restrain the issuing Writs of Attachment, in certain cases.
Stealing Dogs Bills	A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act to make the stealing of Dogs, Beasts and Birds, Larceny.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, 4th and 5th FEBRUARY, 1842.

To which Bills they desired the concurrence of this House.
The said Bills were read a first time.

Read 1st time

Ordered, That the said Bills be read a second time, at a future day.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Adjourn

Saturday, 5th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Peter McNab,
Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
George Smith,
Alexander Stewart,

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The Honorable Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
Daniel M'Farlane,
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

The Clerk read a Letter addressed to him by the Honorable James S. Morse, stating that indisposition prevented his attendance in his place in this House.

Mr Morse's excuse

Mr. McNab brought up the Petition of L. H. Porter and others, praying aid to the Acadia College.

Pet. of L. H. Porter and al.

Mr. Lawson brought up the Petition of William Allen Chipman and others, praying aid to the Acadia College.

W. A. Chipman & al.

Mr. Bell brought up the Petition of William Webber and others, praying aid to the Acadia College.

And of W. Webber & al.

The said Petitions were ordered to lie on the Table.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend to the Meeting House at Folly Village the provisions of an Act relating to the Meeting House at Masstown, and to amend the said Act; also,

Meeting House Folly Village

A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act in amendment of the Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton; also,

Cape Breton

A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act to restrain the Issuing Writs of Attachment, in certain cases; also,

Attachments and

A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act to make the Stealing of Dogs, Beasts and Birds, Larceny,

Stealing Dogs Bills

Were read a second time.

Read 2d time & ord. to Com.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until Monday, at 2 o'clock.

Adjourn

Monday,

MONDAY and TUESDAY, 7th and 8th FEBRUARY, 1842.

Monday, 7th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.	
The Honorable Peter McNab,	The Honorable Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.
Norman F. Uniacke,	James Bond,
James W. Johnston,	Daniel M'Farlane,
William Lawson,	John Morton,
George Smith,	Hugh Bell.
Alexander Stewart,	

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of Saturday were read.

On motion, *resolved*, that Mr. Morse's excuse be accepted.

On motion, the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. McNab reported that the Committee had made some progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through

A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend to the Meeting House at Folly Village the provisions of an Act relating to the Meeting House at Masstown, and to amend the said Act; also, A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton, And had agreed to the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bills be read a third time, at a future day.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, 8th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.	
The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.	
The Honorable Peter M'Nab,	The Honorable Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.
Norman F. Uniacke,	James Bond,
James W. Johnston,	Michael Tobin, Junr.
William Lawson,	Daniel McFarlane,
George Smith,	John Morton,
Alexander Stewart,	Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

The Clerk read a Letter addressed to him by Mr. Rudolf, stating that indisposition prevented his attendance in his seat in this House.

Ordered, That Mr. Rudolf's excuse be accepted.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend to the Meeting House at Folly Village the provisions of an Act relating to the Meeting House at Masstown, and to amend the said Act; also, A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton, Were read a third time, and the question was put by the President on each Bill,

Whether

Mr. Morse's excuse accepted
 Com. on Bills
 Report
 Meeting House Folly Village &
 Cape Breton Bills
 Without amdt.
 Adjourn

Mr. Rudolf's excuse Accepted
 Meeting House Folly Village &
 Cape Breton Bills
 Read 3d time

TUESDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, 1842.

Whether this Bill shall pass? It was resolved in the affirmative.	
A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk, To return the said Bills, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same without any amendment.	Agred to & sent to H. A.
On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. McNab reported that the Committee had made some progress.	Com. on Bills
The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act to restrain the issuing Writs of Attachment, in certain cases; also,	Report Attachment &
A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act to make the stealing of Dogs, Beasts and Birds, Larceny. And had agreed to the same without any amendment.	Dog stealing Bills Without Amdt.
<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Bills be read a third time, at a future day.	
A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law relating to Forgery; also,	Message from H. A. agreeing to Forgery and
A Bill, entitled, An Act for more effectually preventing embezzlements by persons employed in the Public Service of Her Majesty, as amended.	Embezzlement Bills as amended
The Messenger also informed the House that the House of Assembly did not adhere to those amendments proposed by them to a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law against offences relating to the Coin, which have not been agreed to by this House.	Not adhering to am. to offences against the Coin Bill
The Messenger also brought up the following Resolution: <i>Resolved</i> , That the sum of Twenty-eight Thousand Pounds be granted for the service of Roads and Bridges for the present year.	£28,000 Roads & Bridges
To which Resolution they desired the concurrence of this House. The said Resolution was read a first time.	Read 1st time
<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Resolution be read a second time, at a future day.	
A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the appointment of Sheriffs, was read a second time. On motion, <i>resolved</i> , that the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months.	Sheriffs Bill Read 2d time & Def. 3 months
Mr. Tobin, the Chairman of the Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of the House of Assembly to examine the Public Accounts, made his report—which he read in his place.	Report of Com. of Pub. Accounts
<i>Ordered</i> , That the said report do lie on the Table. (For Report vide Appendix No. 5.)	
A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting House at Argyle, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, was read as amended, and the question was put by the President, Whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass? It was resolved in the affirmative.	Baptist Meeting House Argyle Bill
A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk, To return the said Bill, and acquaint them therewith.	Finally agreed to & sent to H. A.
Mr. Bond brought up the Petition of the Trustees of the Annapolis Academy, praying aid to that Institution.	Pet. of Trustees of Annapolis Academy
Mr. Stewart brought up the Petition of James Whitney, praying aid for carrying the Mails in the Steamer between Digby and Saint John, N. B.	Pet. of Jas. Whit- ney
Mr. Smith brought up the Petition of the Trustees of the Pictou Academy, praying aid to that Institution.	Pet. of Pictou Aca- demy

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, 8th and 9th FEBRUARY, 1842.

Pet. of African School

Mr. Bell brought up the Petition of the Revd. Dr. Willis, praying aid for the African School.

Ordered, That the said Petitions do lie on the Table.

Adjourn

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Wednesday, 9th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.	
The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.	
The Honorable Peter McNab,	§ § § § § §
Norman F. Uniacke,	
James W. Johnston,	
William Lawson,	
George Smith	
Alexander Stewart,	
	The Honorable Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.
	James Bond,
	Michael Tobin, Junr.
	Daniel McFarlane,
	John Morton,
	Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act to restrain the Issuing Writs of Attachment, in certain cases; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to make perpetual the Act to make the Stealing of Dogs, Beasts and Birds, Larceny,

Were read a third time, and the question was put by the President on each Bill,

Whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To return the said Bills, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same without any amendment.

The Resolution for granting the sum of Twenty-eight Thousand Pounds for the service of Roads and Bridges for the present year, was read a second time, and the question was put by the President,

Whether this Resolution be agreed to?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To return the said Resolution, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same without any amendment.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Law against offences relating to the Coin, was read as amended, and the question was put by the President,

Whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To carry down the said Bill, and acquaint them therewith.

On motion, *resolved*, that a Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Registrars of Deeds throughout this Province, be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report upon.

Ordered, That Mr. Morton, Mr. Smith, Mr. Bond, Mr. Bell and Mr. Wilkins, be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to take into consideration the contingent expences of this House for the present Session.

Ordered, That Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Bond, Mr. Bell, Mr. Tobin and Mr. Morton, be a Committee for that purpose.

On

Attachment &

Dog stealing Bills

Read 3d time

Agreed to & sent to H. A.

£29,000 Roads & Bridges read 2d time Agreed to & sent to H. A.

Offences against Coin Bill

Finally agreed to & sent to H. A.

Registrars of Deeds Bill Ref. to Sel. Com. Committee

Contingent expences Ref. to Com. Committee

WEDNESDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, 1842.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly by Mr. Gray, with the following Bills :	45 continuing Bills received from H. A.
A Bill to continue the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland, and the Acts in amendment thereof.	Passengers
A Bill to continue the Act to enable the Nova-Scotia and Halifax Marine Insurance Companies to compensate their Directors and Auditors.	Insurance Directors Compensation
A Bill to continue the Acts in further addition to, and in amendment of, the Act for the choice of Town Officers, and regulating of Townships, and the Acts to alter and amend the same.	Town Officers amdts.
A Bill to continue the Acts in amendment of the Acts relating to Commissioners of Sewers.	Commrs. Sewers
A Bill to continue the Act concerning Malicious Injuries to Property.	Malicious Injuries
A Bill to continue the Act to provide against the occurrence of Diseases from the Bite of Animals.	Diseases Bite of Animals
A Bill to continue the Act further to amend the Act relating to Trespasses.	Trespasses amendr.
A Bill to continue the Acts now in force relating to Trespasses.	Trespasses
A Bill to continue the Act to authorise the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Cornwallis to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, and the Act to amend the same.	Cornwallis Meeting House
A Bill to continue the Act to authorize the Congregation of the Meeting House at Onslow, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.	Onslow Meeting House
A Bill to continue the Act for making regulations to prevent Dogs going at large in certain cases.	Prevent Dogs going at large
A Bill to continue the Act for the regulation of the Fisheries in the County of Richmond.	Richmond Fisheries
A Bill to continue the Act to extend to the Township of Egerton the Act respecting the Collection of Poor's Rates of Pictou, and to amend the said Act.	Egerton Poores' Rates
A Bill to continue the Act for regulating the Exportation of Red or Smoked Herrings.	Smoked Herrings Exportation
A Bill to continue the Act to authorize the Sessions of the Peace for the County of Queen's County, to make regulations for the gathering of Sea Manure in the said County.	Queen's County Sea Manure
A Bill to continue the Act for the regulating of the Fishery in the River Shubenacadie.	Fisheries Shubenacadie
A Bill to continue the Act to encourage the killing of Bears, Loup Cerviers and Wild Cats.	Killing Bears, &c.
A Bill to continue the Act to amend an Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax.	Public School Halifax
A Bill to continue the Act respecting the Collection of Poores' Rates of Pictou.	Poores' Rates Pictou
A Bill to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbor of Pugwash.	Pugwash Harbor
A Bill to continue the Act in addition to, and in amendment of, the Act to prevent Nuisances by Hedges, Wears and other Incumbrances, obstructing the passage of Fish in the Rivers of this Province.	Nuisances in Rivers
A Bill to continue the Act more effectually to provide against the introduction of infectious or Contagious Diseases, and the spreading thereof in this Province, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Contagious Diseases prevention
A Bill to continue the Act to enable the Proprietors of Land, in the rear Blocks or Divisions of Land, in the Township of Guysborough, to open Roads through the same.	Guysborough Rear Block Roads Quarantine
A Bill to continue the Act to prevent the spreading of Contagious Diseases, and for the performance of Quarantine, and the Act in amendment thereof.	
A Bill to continue the Act to suspend the operation of the Act to prevent Forestalling, Repeating, and Monopolizing of Cord Wood, in the Town of Halifax.	Monopoly Cord Wood Halifax
A Bill to continue the Act to repeal the Act to regulate the Public Landing at Windsor, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof.	Windsor Public Landing
A Bill to continue the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, and the Acts in amendment thereof.	District Rates, &c
A Bill to continue the Act in further amendment of, and additional to, the Acts relating to Trespasses.	Amdts. and additions Trespasses

Friday, 11th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.	
The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.	
The Honorable Peter McNab,	The Honorable Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.
Norman F. Uniacke,	James Bond,
James W. Johnston,	Michael Tobin, Junr.
William Lawson,	Daniel McFarlane,
George Smith	John Morton,
Alexander Stewart,	Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

Mr. Stewart, by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's command, laid before the House Returns from the Clerks of the Peace of several Counties of this Province, relative to the number of Indians in the said Counties. Message with returns rel to Indians

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie on the Table.

On motion, *resolved,* that the Select Committee to whom a Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Registrars of Deeds throughout this Province was referred, to examine and report upon, be discharged from that duty. Sel Com on Registrars Bill discharged

The said Bill was then read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future time. Bill read 2d time & Ord. to Com.

On motion, *resolved unanimously,* that the Standing Order of this House, No. 72, relative to Bills not being read or proceeded in twice in the same day, be suspended with regard to the said Bill. Standing Order suspended

The House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill. After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. McNab reported that he had been directed by the Committee to report that it was the opinion of the Committee that the further consideration of the said Bill should be deferred to this day three months. Bill committed
Recommended to be deferred 3 months

Ordered, That the said Report be received, and the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months. Bill deferred

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until Monday, at 2 o'clock. Adjourn

Monday, 14th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.	
The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,	The Honorable James Bond,
James W. Johnston,	Michael Tobin, Junr.
William Lawson,	Daniel M'Farlane,
George Smith,	John Morton,
Alexander Stewart,	Hugh Bell.
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.	

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of Friday were read.

Mr. Stewart, by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's command, laid before the House Message from H E with Memoranda rel to Indians

MONDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, 1842.

Memoranda respecting the Indians of this Province.

(Vide Appendix No. 6.)

Casual Rev. Acct.

Also, an Account of the Casual and Territorial Revenue for the year 1841.

(Vide Appendix No. 7.)

Despatch rel to Canal between Bay of Fundy and Gulf of St. Lawrence

Also, the following Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord Stanley, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies :

No. 12.

Downing Street, 2d December, 1841.

MY LORD—

The Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick has requested me to appoint a competent Engineer to examine the various lines which have been surveyed for the formation of a Canal to connect the waters of the St. Lawrence with the Bay of Fundy, and to decide which should be adopted. I have informed him that as soon as the Legislatures of the respective Colonies, interested in the work, shall have guaranteed funds for defraying the expense of such examination, steps would be taken for obtaining the services of a fit person for the duty.

I observe by the Journals of the Assembly of Nova-Scotia, for 1840, that the co-operation of that House had been invited, but that the Session terminated without any notice being taken of the subject. I have, therefore, to request, that your Lordship will, at the next meeting of the Legislature, take a favorable opportunity of calling the attention of the Assembly to the proposed survey; and inform Sir W. Colebrook of the sum which they may be willing to contribute towards the expense.

I have further to request your Lordship to communicate with the Lieutenant-Governor of Prince Edward Island, in order that he may remind the Assembly of that Island of the Resolution passed by them in 1840, to take into favorable consideration, at its next Session, the propriety of defraying a portion of the expense from the Revenues at their disposal.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

STANLEY.

Viscount FALKLAND, &c. &c. &c.

The said Memoranda, Account and Despatch, were read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Report on Continuing Bills

Mr. Wilkins, the Chairman of the Select Committee to whom the forty-five continuing Bills were referred, made his report.

Passengers

Whereupon, the following forty-four Bills, viz :

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland, and the Acts in amendment thereof.

Town Officers amdt.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts in further addition to, and in amendment of, the Act for the choice of Town Officers, and regulating of Townships, and the Acts to alter and amend the same.

Comms. Sewers

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts in amendment of the Acts relating to Commissioners of Sewers.

Malicious Injuries

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act concerning Malicious Injuries to Property.

Diseases Bite of Animals

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to provide against the occurrence of Diseases from the Bite of Animals.

Trespases amendt.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act further to amend the Act relating to Trespases.

Trespases

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts now in force relating to Trespases.

Cornwallis Meeting House

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Cornwallis to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, and the Act to amend the same.

Onslow Meeting House

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to authorize the Congregation of the Meeting House at Onslow, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

Prevent Dogs going at large

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for making regulations to prevent Dogs going at large in certain cases.

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A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the regulation of the Fisheries in the County of Richmond.	Richmond Fisheries
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to extend to the Township of Egerton the Act respecting the Collection of Poor's Rates of Pictou, and to amend the said Act.	Egerton Poors' Rates
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for regulating the Exportation of Red or Smoked Herrings.	Smoked Herrings Exportation
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to authorize the Sessions of the Peace for the County of Queen's County, to make regulations for the gathering of Sea Manure in the said County.	Queen's County Sea Manure
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the regulating of the Fishery in the River Shubenacadie.	Fisheries Shubenacadie
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to encourage the killing of Bears, Loup Cerviers and Wild Cats.	Killing Bears, &c.
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to amend an Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax.	Public School Halifax
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act respecting the Collection of Poors' Rates of Pictou.	Poors' Rates Pictou
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbor of Pugwash.	Pugwash Harbor
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act in addition to, and in amendment of, the Act to prevent Nuisances by Hedges, Wears and other Incumbrances, obstructing the passage of Fish in the Rivers of this Province.	Nuisances in Rivers
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act more effectually to provide against the introduction of Infectious or Contagious Diseases, and the spreading thereof in this Province, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Contagious Diseases prevention
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to enable the Proprietors of Land, in the rear Blocks or Divisions of Land, in the Township of Guysborough, to open Roads through the same.	Guysborough Rear Block Roads
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to prevent the spreading of Contagious Diseases, and for the performance of Quarantine, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Quarantine
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to suspend the operation of the Act to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing, of Cord Wood, in the Town of Halifax.	Monopoly Cord Wood Halifax
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to repeal the Act to regulate the Public Landing at Windsor, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof.	Windsor Public Landing
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, and the Acts in amendment thereof.	District Rates, &c.
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act in further amendment of, and additional to, the Acts relating to Trespasses.	Amtds. and additional Trespasses
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Acts in amendment thereof.	Expenditure Roads, &c.
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for establishing a Harbour Master at Bridgeport, in the Island of Cape-Breton.	Bridgeport Harbor Master
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to authorize the Sale of Coals by weight.	Coals by weight
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate certain Landings in the County of King's County.	Kings County Landings
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to enable the Inhabitants of the Town of Lunenburg to procure a Fire Engine, with other utensils and materials, necessary for extinguishing Fires.	Lunenburg Fire Engines
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to amend the Act to Incorporate sundry persons by the name of the President, Directors and Company, of the Bank of Nova-Scotia.	Am. Bank of N. S.
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act relative to the assessment of Dyke Rates, for the New or Wickwire Dyke in Horton.	Wickwire Dyke
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Survey of Timber and Lumber, and to repeal certain Acts now in force.	Survey of Timber

MONDAY and TUESDAY, 14th and 15th FEBRUARY, 1842.

Fisheries Lunenburg
 Supervisors of Public Grounds
 Sable Island
 Fishermens Nets
 Settlement of Poor
 Nuisances additional
 Weighing of Beef
 Militia and
 Chedabucto Fisheries Bills
 Read 2d time
 Standing Order suspended
 Bills read 3d time agreed to & sent to H. A.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to prevent Injuries to the Fisheries within the County of Lunenburg, by Mill Dams, or any other obstructions.
 A Bill, entitled An Act to continue the Acts for appointing Supervisors to take charge of Public Grounds, and for other purposes.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the better regulation of Sable Island, in this Province.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to prevent damage to the Nets of Fishermen by Coasting Vessels.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act in amendment of the Act for the settlement of the Poor in the several Townships within this Province.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act, additional, concerning Nuisances.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Weighing of Beef, and the Acts in amendment thereof.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for regulating the Militia.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the regulation of the Fisheries at Chedabucto Bay.
 Were read a second time.
 On motion, *resolved unanimously*, that the Standing Order of this House, No. 72, relative to Bills not being read or proceeded in twice in the same day, be suspended, with regard to the said Bills.
 Whereupon the said Bills were read a third time, and the question was put by the President on each Bill,
 Whether this Bill shall pass?
 It was resolved in the affirmative.
 A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,
 To return the said Bills, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, without any amendment.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to enable the Nova-Scotia and Halifax Marine Insurance Companies to compensate their Directors and Auditors,
 Was read a second time.
Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

Marine Insurance Co. Bill
 Read 2d time & ord to Com.
 Adjourn

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, 15th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT—

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| The Honorable S. B. Robie, President. | |
| The Honorable Peter McNab, | S. B. Robie |
| Norman F. Uniacke, | |
| James W. Johnston, | |
| William Lawson, | |
| George Smith, | |
| Alexander Stewart, | |
| The Honorable Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr. | |
| James Bond, | |
| Michael Tobin, Junr. | |
| Daniel McFarlane, | |
| John Morton, | |
| Hugh Bell. | |

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.
 On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. McNab reported that the Committee had made some progress; and had directed him to ask leave to sit again, which was granted.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act

Com. on Bills
 Report Marine Insurance Co. Bill without amend.

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, 15th and 16th FEBRUARY, 1842.

Act to continue the Act to enable the Nova-Scotia and Halifax Marine Insurance Companies to compensate their Directors and Auditors—and had agreed to the same without any amendment

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time, at a future time.

On motion, *resolved unanimously*, that the Standing Order of this House, No. 72, relative to Bills not being read or proceeded in twice in the same day, be suspended, with regard to the said Bill.

Standing Order suspended

The said Bill was then read a third time, and the question was put by the President, Whether this Bill shall pass?

Bill read 3d time

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Agreed to & sent to H. A.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the said Bill without any amendment.

On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. McNab reported that the Committee had made some progress; and had directed him to ask leave to sit again, which was granted.

Com. on Bills

Report progress

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Adjourn

Wednesday, 16th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable Peter McNab,
Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
George Smith,
Alexander Stewart,
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.

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The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
Alexander Campbell,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
Daniel M'Farlane,
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. McNab reported that the Committee had made some progress.

Com. on Bills

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act for regulating the Currency of the Province, and had made two amendments thereto.

Report Currency Bill with amdts.

The said amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:

3d Clause—17th line—strike out "twenty" and insert "forty."

Amdts. read

18th line—strike out "twenty-five" and insert "fifty."

And the said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to by the House.

Mr. Stewart moved that the said Bill be re-committed, for the purpose of amending the same, by adding the following Proviso to the second Clause of the Bill:

And agreed to Motion to re-commit Bill

Provided always, That no Person, Officer, Body, Politic or Corporate, shall be compelled to receive at any one time a greater amount in Dollars than Forty Pounds Sterling, or Fifty Pounds Currency.

Which, being seconded, and the question being put, there appeared for the motion, four; against the motion, ten:

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For the motion,
Mr. Lawson,
Mr. Uniacke,
Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Stewart.

Against the motion,
Mr. McNab, Mr. Smith,
Mr. Cutler, Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Morton, Mr. Bond,
Mr. McFarlane, Mr. Tobin,
Mr. Johnston, Mr. Bell.

Negatived
Motion to re-com-
mit Bill

So it passed in the Negative.
Mr. Wilkins moved that the said Bill be re-committed, for the purpose of amending the same, by leaving out the second Clause of the Bill :
Which, being seconded, and the question being put, there appeared for the motion, four ;
against the motion, ten :

For the motion,
Mr. Lawson,
Mr. Uniacke,
Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Stewart,

Against the motion,
Mr. McNab, Mr. Smith,
Mr. Cutler, Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Morton, Mr. Bond,
Mr. McFarlane, Mr. Tobin,
Mr. Johnston, Mr. Bell.

Negatived

So it passed in the Negative.
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time, at a future day.

Adjourn

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Thursday, 17th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.	
The Honorable Peter McNab, Norman F. Uniacke, James W. Johnston, William Lawson, George Smith, Alexander Stewart, Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.	The Honorable Robert M. Cutler, Alexander Campbell, James Bond, Michael Tobin, Junr. Daniel McFarlane, John Morton, Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.
Mr. Johnston, by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's command, laid before the House the Blue Book for the year 1841—which was ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Morton brought up the Petition of Elisha Dewolf and others, praying aid to the Acadia College—which was read and ordered to lie on the Table.

On motion, *resolved*, that the Rules of the Supreme Court laid on the Table of this House on the 24th January last, be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report upon.

Ordered, That Mr. Johnston, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Morton and Mr. McFarlane, be a Committee for that purpose.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for regulating the Currency of the Province, was read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Conference be desired with the House of Assembly, by Committee, on the said Bill.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,
To desire the said Conference.

Blue Book laid be-
fore House

Pet. of E. Dewolf
& al.

Rules of Sup. Court
ref. to Sel. Com.

Committee

Currency Bill read
3d time

Conference on Cur-
rency Bill moved

Asked

THURSDAY and FRIDAY, 17th and 18th FEBRUARY, 1842.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to the Conference desired by this House.	Agreed to
<i>Ordered</i> , That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Tobin and Mr. Bell, be a Committee of this House to manage the said Conference.	Committee
And the Managers went to the Conference ; and being returned, Mr. Stewart reported that the Committee had held the said Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.	Report
Mr. Stewart moved that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of amending the second Clause :	Motion to re-commit Bill
Which, being seconded, and the question being put, was agreed to.	Agreed to
The House was accordingly adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. McNab reported that the Committee had agreed to the said Bill with amendments.	Bill re-committed Reported with amds.
The said amendments were read by the Clerk as follows : 2d Clause, 2d line—Before the word “Silver,” insert the words “Peruvian, Columbian, Mexican and Old Spanish.”	Amdts. read
5th and 6th lines, leave out the words “one grain and one quarter of a grain,” and insert instead thereof the words “three grains.”	
And the said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to by the House.	And agreed to
<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Bill be read a third time, at a future day.	
On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.	Adjourn

Friday, 18th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.	
The Honorable Peter McNab,	§ § § § § § §
Norman F. Uniacke,	
James W. Johnston,	
William Lawson,	
George Smith	
Alexander Stewart,	
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.	
The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,	
Alexander Campbell,	
James Bond,	
Michael Tobin, Junr.	
Daniel McFarlane,	
John Morton,	
Hugh Bell.	

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for regulating the Currency of the Province, was read a third time, and the question was put by the President, Currency Bill read 3d time and

Whether this Bill, with the amendments, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Dissentient—

Agreed to

1st.—Because there should be but one Standard of Value and one Money of Account in this Province—whereas this Bill introduces not only two Standards, but, virtually, two Monies of Account, namely—Sterling and Currency. Dissent with reasons

2d.—Because a radical reformation in our monetary system can only be effected by the adoption of British Sterling as the Money of Account, and the British Sovereign and Silver exclusively (the latter to be limited in amount) as the circulating medium, leaving (as is the case in other Countries) Foreign Coins to be bought and sold as Bullion.

3d.—Because the people have no means in their ordinary dealings of ascertaining whether the Foreign Coins mentioned in the said Bill are of the prescribed weight and purity; nor have we any guarantee that those Coins shall be of such weight and purity; and from their

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their imperfect manufacture, they are much more liable to be counterfeited than the Gold and Silver Coins of Great Britain—for the purity of which we have the unexceptionable guarantee of the Parent State.

4th.—Because it is now universally admitted that however carefully the value of different Coins may be adjusted, they cannot freely circulate together; and, by this Bill, the Dollar will become exclusively the circulating Coin of the Province.

5th.—Because for a period of more than twenty years the basis of our Currency and dealings has been the Doubloon, and latterly the Sovereign, upon which our Commercial and other transactions have been founded—by which the value of property in this Province is now and has long been estimated—and in which the Creditor is of right entitled to be paid; and the effect of the said Bill will be to compel him to receive the Dollar in lieu thereof, which is now, and has always been, of less marketable value than the Doubloon and the Sovereign.

NORMAN FITZGERALD UNIACKE,
WILLIAM LAWSON,
ALEXANDER STEWART.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,
To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same with amendments—to which amendments their concurrence is desired.

Mr. McNab brought up the Petition of Stephen Bamford and others, praying aid to the Acadia College.

Mr. Lawson brought up the Petition of John Wiswall and others, praying for an alteration in the Charter of the Margaretville Pier Company.
The said Petitions were ordered to lie on the Table.

On motion of Mr. Lawson, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to ascertain the number and amount of Provincial Treasury Notes in circulation.

Ordered, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. Smith and Mr. Bell, be a Committee for that purpose.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, with the following Bills:

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbor of Pugwash.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Chebogue to raise money from the Pews of the said Meeting House for the repairing and upholding thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the shutting up of an old Road in Upper Musquedoboit.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide for opening a Cross Road in Upper Musquedoboit.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Presbyterian Burial Ground at Dartmouth.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to establish a Sessions House and Lock-up House at Bridgetown, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Upper Musquedoboit to enclose and ornament the Public Burial Ground there.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for enforcing performance of engagements in aid of Public Works.

To which Bills they desired the concurrence of this House.

The said Bills were read a first time.

Ordered, That the seven first named Bills be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report how far the requisitions of the Standing Orders of this House, relative to Private and Local Bills, have been complied with.

Ordered, That Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Morton and Mr. McFarlane, be a Committee for that purpose.

Ordered, That the eighth Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

Mr.

Bill sent to H. A.

Pet. of S. Bamford & al.

And of J. Wiswall & al.

Com. on Province Notes

Committee

Pugwash Harbor

Meeting House Chebogue

Road Musquedoboit

Cross Road Musquedoboit

Burial Ground

Dartmouth

Sessions House

Bridgetown

Burial Ground

Musquedoboit and

Engagements for Public Works Bills

Read 1st time

Seven first Bills referred to Sel. Com.

Committee

FRIDAY and MONDAY, 18th and 21st FEBRUARY, 1842.

Mr. Bell brought up the Petition of the Rev. Charles Dewolf and others, praying aid to the Methodist School, which was ordered to lie on the Table.

Pet. of C. Dewolf & al.

Mr. Johnston, by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's command, laid before the House

Message from H. E. with 3 orders in Council allowing Acts of last Session

A copy of an Order of the Queen in Council, dated 10th Decr., 1841, allowing seventy-five Acts passed by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia in 1841.

(Vide Appendix No. 8.)

Also, a copy of an Order of the Queen in Council, dated 10th Decr., 1841, allowing seven Acts passed in the same Session,

(Vide Appendix No. 9.)

Also, a copy of an Order of the Queen in Council, dated 10th Decr., 1841, specially confirming two Acts passed in the same Session.

(Vide Appendix No. 10.)

The said Orders were ordered to lie on the Table.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until Monday, at 2 o'clock.

Adjourn

Monday, 21st February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,	S P E E C H E R	The Honorable Alexander Campbell,
James W. Johnston,		James Bond,
William Lawson,		Michael Tobin, Junr.
George Smith,		Daniel McFarlane,
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.		John Morton,
Robert M. Cutler,		Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of Friday were read.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly by Mr. Gray,

Message from H. A. agreeing to amndts. to Currency Bill

To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to the amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act for regulating the Currency of the Province.

The said Bill was then read, as amended, and the question was put by the President, Whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

Bill finally agreed to &

It was resolved in the affirmative.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,

Sent to H. A.

To return the said Bill, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Wilkins, the Chairman of the Committee to whom the Contingent Expenses of this House for this Session were referred, reported as follows:

Com. on Contingent Expences report

The Committee appointed to consider of and report to the House the amount which will be required for its Contingent Expenses for the present Session, report that there is required

Report

For the Salary of the Clerk	£200	0	0
Do. of the Law Clerk and Clerk of the Parliament	150	0	0
Do. of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod and Sergeant at Arms	75	0	0
Do. of Messengers—Principal Messenger	£40	0	0
Second do.	30	0	0
Third do.	30	0	0
	100	0	0
Anderson & Malcom's Account, in addition to the sum included in the Contingencies of the last Session	35	14	0
C. H. Belcher's Account for Stationary, Binding Laws and Journals, &c.	67	10	8
Fuel to be accounted for by Clerk	20	0	0
	Contingencies		

MONDAY and TUESDAY, 21st and 22d FEBRUARY, 1842.

Contingencies to be expended under the direction of a Committee of the House	£35 0 0
For the Chaplain	25 0 0
	£708 4 8

(Signed)

L. M. WILKINS, Jun., Chairman.

Committee Room, 21st February, 1842.

Ordered, That the said Report do lie on the Table.

Report on Local & Private Bills

Mr. Wilkins, the Chairman of the Committee to whom the seven Local and Private Bills received from the House of Assembly on the 18th instant, were referred, reported that the requisitions of the Standing Orders of this House relative to their publication, had not been complied with.

Poor House Accts.

Mr. Bell laid before the House the Accounts of the Poor House at Halifax, for the year 1841—which were ordered to lie on the Table.

Adjourn.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, 22d February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable Peter M'Nab,
 Norman F. Uniacke,
 James W. Johnston,
 William Lawson,
 George Smith,
 Alexander Stewart,
 Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.

The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
 Alexander Campbell,
 James Bond,
 Michael Tobin, Junr.
 Daniel McFarlane,
 John Morton,
 Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

Conf. on General State of Province rel. to contingent Expenses

On motion, *resolved*, that a Conference be desired with the House of Assembly, by Committee, on the General State of the Province, and that the Committee of this House do communicate to the Committee of the House of Assembly the amount required to defray the Contingent Expenses of this House for the present Session; and that the Committee of this House do further communicate to the Committee of the House of Assembly that the sum of £783 7 1 is also required to defray the Contingent Expenses of this House for the last Session, as communicated to a Committee of the House of Assembly in that Session by a Committee of this House.

Conference asked

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk, To desire the said Conference.

Pugwash Harbor

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbour of Pugwash; also,

Chebogue Meeting House

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Chebogue, to raise Money from the Pews of said Meeting-House for the repairing and upholding thereof; also,

Old Road Musquedoboit

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the shutting up of an old Road in Upper Musquedoboit; also,

Cross Road Musquedoboit

A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide for opening a Cross Road in Upper Musquedoboit; also,

Presbyterian Burial Ground Dartmouth Sessions House Bridgetown

A Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Presbyterian Burial Ground at Dartmouth; also, A Bill, entitled, An Act to establish a Sessions House and Lock-up House at Bridgetown, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned; also,

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, 22d and 23d FEBRUARY, 1842.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Upper Musquedoboit to enclose and ornament the Public Burial Ground there; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act for enforcing performance of engagements in aid of Public Works. Were read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

Burial Ground
Musquedoboit
And engagements
in aid of Public
Works Bills
Read 2d time and
Ordered to Com.

Mr. Stewart presented a Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to the Acts relating to the Public Registry of Deeds in this Province—which was read a first time.

Registry Bill
read 1st time

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at a future day.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray,

To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to the Conference desired by this House.

Conference agreed
to by H. A.

Ordered, That Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Smith and Mr. Morton, be a Committee of this House to manage the said Conference.

Committee

And the Managers went to the Conference, and being returned, Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had held the said Conference, and that he had communicated his instructions to the Committee of the House of Assembly.

Report

Mr. Johnston brought up the Petition of Francis Parker and others; also, the Petition of John Mackinnon and others; also, of George Dimock and others; also, of John Morse and others; also, of Nathaniel Marsters and others; also, of Eliakim Newcomb and others; also, of Robert Faulkner and others; also, of John E. Cogswell and others; also, of John Chase and others; also, of Jonathan McCully and others; also, of T. S. Rand and others; also, of Thomas C. Delaney and others, praying aid to the Acadia College.

12 Petitions for aid
to Acadia College

The said Petitions were ordered to lie on the Table.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Adjourn

Wednesday, 23d February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Peter McNab,

The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,

Norman F. Uniacke,

Alexander Campbell,

James W. Johnston,

James Bond,

William Lawson,

Daniel McFarlane,

George Smith,

John Morton,

Alexander Stewart,

Hugh Bell.

Lewis M. Wilkins, Jun.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to the Acts relating to the Public Registry of Deeds in this Province, was read a second time.

Registry of Deeds
Bill read 2d time

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

Ordered to Com.

On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. McNab reported that the Committee had made some progress.

Com. on Bills

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had had under consideration a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbour of Pugwash

Recommend Pug-
wash Harbour Bill
to be defd. 5 months

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Pugwash, and had directed him to report that it was the opinion of the Committee that the further consideration of the said Bill should be deferred to this day three months.

Bill deferred

Ordered, That the said report be received, and the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months.

Report Chebogue Meeting House Bill without amdt.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting-House at Chebogue to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and upholding thereof, and had agreed to the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time, at a future day.

Recommend Old Road Musquedoboit

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had had under consideration

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the shutting up of an old Road in Upper Musquedoboit; also,

Cross Road do.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide for opening a Cross Road in Upper Musquedoboit; also,

Presbyterian Burial Ground Dartmouth Sessions House Bridgetown

A Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Presbyterian Burial Ground at Dartmouth; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to establish a Sessions House and Lock-up House at Bridgetown, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned; also,

And Burial Ground Musquedoboit Bills

A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Upper Musquedoboit to enclose and ornament the Public Burial Ground there.

To be referred to Select Com.

And had directed him to report that it was the opinion of the Committee that the said Bills should be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon.

Bills referred

Ordered, That the said report be received, and the said Bills be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon.

Committee

Ordered, That Mr. Bell, Mr. Morton and Mr. Uniacke, be a Committee for that purpose.

Recommend engagements in aid of Public Works to be defil. 3 months

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had had under consideration a Bill, entitled, An Act for enforcing performance of engagements in aid of Public Works, and had directed him to report that it was the opinion of the Committee that the further consideration of the said Bill should be deferred to this day three months.

Bill deferred

Ordered, That the said report be received, and the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months.

Examination of parties Bill presented and read 1st time

Mr. Stewart presented a Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the examination of parties on the trials of Issues depending between them in the Supreme Court of this Province.

The said Bill was read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

Com. on Rules of Supreme Court report

Mr. Stewart, the Chairman of the Committee to whom the Rules of the Supreme Court, laid on the Table of this House on the 24th January last, were referred, reported as follows:

The Committee to whom the Rules prepared by the Judges of the Supreme Court were referred, report that as the Act of the General Assembly of the last Session, under which the Judges of that Court were empowered to make Rules, authorized the Judges to do so, it is doubtful whether those now submitted to the Legislature by the Chief-Justice and Judges Hill and Bliss, are within the scope of the Statute, and on that account the Committee think it would be prudent to pass a Resolution disapproving of them, leaving it to the Legislature to confer further power upon the Judges to prepare Rules for the consideration of the Legislature at its next Session, and in that case to adopt the provision of the English Statute which authorized the Judges of the Courts of Westminster Hall, or a majority of them, to make such Rules.

Report

A. STEWART,
J. W. JOHNSTON,
L. M. WILKINS,
D. McFARLANE,
JOHN MORTON.

Committee Room, February 23d, 1842.

Ordered, That the said Report be received.

On

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, 23d and 24th FEBRUARY, 1842.

On motion of Mr. Wilkins, *resolved*, that the Rules submitted to this House in the present Session by the Chief-Justice of the Supreme Court and Mr. Justice Hill and Mr. Justice Bliss, having for their object the regulation of the practice of that Court, be disapproved of by this House, for the reasons stated in the Report of the Committee, to whom the same have been referred.

Resolution disapproving of Rules of Supreme Court

Mr. Morton presented a Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent injury to the Public Bridges of this Province, by Disorderly Riding or Driving over the same.

Disorderly Riding on Bridges Bill presented and read 1st time

The said Bill was read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Adjourn

Thursday, 24th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable Peter McNab,
Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
George Smith,
Alexander Stewart,
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.

The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
Alexander Campbell,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
Daniel M'Farlane,
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Chebogue, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and upholding thereof,

Chebogue Meeting House Bill

Was read a third time, and the question was put by the President,

Read 3d time

Whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Agreed to &

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk;

To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the said Bill without any amendment.

Sent to H. A.

On motion of Mr. Lawson, *resolved*, that Mr. McNab have leave of absence to return home, on urgent private business.

Leave of absence to Mr. McNab

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that Mr. Wilkins have leave of absence, from the 5th March next, to return home, on urgent private business.

And to Mr. Wilkins

Mr. Smith asked and obtained leave of absence to return home, on account of sickness in his family, and urgent private business.

And to Mr. Smith

A Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent injury to the Public Bridges of this Province, by disorderly Riding or Driving over the same, was read a second time.

Disorderly Driving over Bridges Bill read 2d time

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

Ord. to Com.

Mr. Wilkins presented a Bill, entitled, An Act to repeal the ninth Clause or Section of the Act to Incorporate the Margaretville Pier Company, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof.

Margaretville Pier Company Bill presented.

The said Bill was read a first time.

Read 1st time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

THURSDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 1842.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly by Mr. Gray, with the following Bills:

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Sale of the old Court-House and Jail at Guysborough.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Public Cemetery in the Town of Yarmouth, and for other purposes.

A Bill, entitled, An Act relative to the Parade at Yarmouth.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting-House at Bridgetown, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for repairing, ornamenting, altering or enlarging the same, and for ratifying the appointment and confirming the duties of the Trustees of the said Meeting-House.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting-House in Amherst, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide a Lock-up House and Town House at Chester.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act to prevent Disorderly Riding, and to regulate the Driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, or other Towns, or on the Public Roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act in amendment of the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the framing of Rules for regulating the practice of the Supreme Court.

To which Bills they desired the concurrence of this House.

The said Bills were read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bills be read a second time, at a future day.

Ordered, That the said Bills be referred to the Law Clerk, to examine and report upon.

On motion of Mr. Johnston, *resolved*, that the Honourable Charles R. Prescott and Charles W. H. Harris, Esquire, be nominated, and they are hereby nominated and appointed, Governors of Acadia College, pursuant to the second Clause of the Act, passed in the third year of Her Majesty's Reign, for incorporating the Trustees of the Queen's College at Horton, and that the Clerk do forward to them a copy of this Resolution.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the examination of parties on the trials of Issues depending between them in the Supreme Court of this Province, was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. McNab reported that the Committee had made some progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had had under consideration a Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to the Acts relating to the Public Registry of Deeds in this Province, and had directed him to report that it was the opinion of the Committee that the further consideration of the said Bill should be deferred to this day three months.

Ordered, That the said Report be received, and the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, with the following Bills:

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House in Horton, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Economy, to raise Money from the Pews of said Meeting House for the finishing, repairing and ornamenting thereof.

Guysborough Court House

Cemetery Yarmouth

Yarmouth Parade

Meeting House Bridgetown

Amherst Meeting House

Lock-up-House Chester
Disorderly Riding

Highways

Rules of Supreme Court Bills

Read 1st time

Ref. to Law Clerk

Governors of Acadia College

Examination of Parties Bill read 2d time & Ord. to Com.

Com. on Bills

Recommend Registry of Deeds Bill to be deferred 3 months

Bill deferred

Meeting House Horton

Meeting House Economy

THURSDAY and FRIDAY, 24th and 25th FEBRUARY, 1842.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for shutting up certain parts of an old Road in the County of Sydney, between Antigonish and Guysborough. Old Road Sydney County Bill brought from H. A.

To which Bills they desired the concurrence of this House.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock. Adjourn

Friday, 25th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable Peter M'Nab,
Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
George Smith,
Alexander Stewart,
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.

The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
Alexander Campbell,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
Daniel McFarlane,
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House in Horton, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof; also, Meeting House Horton

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Meeting-House at Economy, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the finishing, repairing, and ornamenting thereof, Meeting House Economy Bills

Were read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bills be read a second time at a future day. Read 1st time

A Bill, entitled, An Act for shutting up certain parts of an old Road in the County of Sydney, between Antigonish and Guysborough, Old Road Sydney County Bill

Was read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Local and Private Bills now before the House. Read 1st time
Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to repeal the ninth Clause or Section of the Act to Incorporate the Margaretville Pier Company, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof, Margaretville Pier Company Bill

Was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day. Read 2d time &
Ordered to Com.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the framing of Rules for regulating the practice of the Supreme Court, Rules of Supreme Court Bill

Was read a second time.

On motion, *resolved,* that the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months. Read 2d time
Def. 3 months

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the sale of the old Court House and Jail at Guysborough; also, Court House Guysborough

A Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Public Cemetery in the Town of Yarmouth, and for other purposes; also, Cemetery Yarmouth

A Bill, entitled, An Act relative to the Parade at Yarmouth; also, Parade Yarmouth

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting-House at Bridgetown, to raise Money from the Pews of said Meeting House, for repairing, ornamenting Meeting House Bridgetown

FRIDAY and MONDAY, 25th and 28th FEBRUARY, 1842.

Meeting House
Amherst and

menting, altering, or enlarging the same, and for ratifying the appointment and confirming the duties of the Trustees of the said Meeting-House; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting House in Amherst to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof; also,

Lock-up House
Chester Bills
Read 2d time

A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide a Lock-up House and Town House at Chester,
Were read a second time.

And ref. to Sel.
Com.

Ordered, That the said Bills be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the various Local and Private Bills now before the House.

Disorderly Riding &

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act to prevent Disorderly Riding, and to regulate the driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, or other Towns, or on the Public Roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned; also,

Highways Bills

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act in amendment of the Act relating to Highways Roads and Bridges,

Read 2d time &

Were read a second time,

Ord. to Com.

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House at a future day.

Members added to
Com. on Local
Bills

Ordered, That Mr. Bond and Mr. Cutler be added to the Committee to examine and report upon the various Local and Private Bills now before the House.

Probate Court Bill

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, with

A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Courts of Probate, and to the settlement and distribution of the Estates of deceased persons.

Read 1st time

To which Bill they desired the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until Monday, at 2 o'clock.

Monday, 28th February, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,

James W. Johnston,

William Lawson,

George Smith,

Alexander Stewart,

Lewis M. Wilkins, Jun.

Robert M. Cutler,

The Honorable Alexander Campbell,

James Bond,

Michael Tobin, Jun.

Daniel McFarlane,

John Morton,

Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of Friday were read.

Meeting House
Horton

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting-House in Horton, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof; also,

Meeting House
Economy Bills

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Economy, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the finishing, repairing, and ornamenting thereof,

Read 2d time &

Were read a second time.

Ord to Com.

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

Report of Com.

Mr. Bell, the Chairman of the Select Committee to whom the various Local and Private Bills,

MONDAY, 28th FEBRUARY, 1842.

Bills, now before the House, were referred, made his report—which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it to the Clerk, who read the same as follows: on Local & Private Bills

The Committee to whom were referred several Local Bills, beg leave to report, that to the following Bills they have ascertained there are no objections in the several localities to which they refer, and therefore that they should receive the sanction of the House, viz: Report

An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Upper Musquedoboit to enclose and ornament the Public Burial Ground there.

An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting-House in Amherst, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

An Act for shutting up certain parts of an old Road in the County of Sydney, between Antigonish and Guysborough.

An Act for establishing a Public Cemetery in the Town of Yarmouth, and for other purposes.

An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting-House at Bridgetown, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for repairing, ornamenting, altering or enlarging the same, and for ratifying the appointment, and confirming the duties of the Trustees of the said Meeting-House.

An Act to provide a Lock-up House and Town House at Chester.

An Act to authorize the Sale of the old Court House and Jail at Guysborough.

An Act to authorize the shutting up of an old Road in Upper Musquedoboit.

An Act to provide for opening a Cross Road in Upper Musquedoboit.

An Act to establish a Sessions House and Lock-up House at Bridgetown, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned.

Respecting the Bill for granting to the Presbyterian Church at Dartmouth a part of the Common for a Burying Ground, the Committee would amend the Bill, so as to include the Presbyterians and all other Denominations who have not Burying Grounds exclusively their own. With this amendment, and also that a Road of 50 feet, adjoining the western bounds of the property of Thomas Boggs, Esq., should be reserved, the Committee would recommend the adoption of the Bill, because, that as the Burial Ground at Dartmouth is granted to, and is exclusively the property of, the Established Church, all others are admitted merely on sufferance, it is not right, in their opinion, that all other Denominations who have not Grounds exclusively their own, should be admitted only as a matter of favour.

Respecting the Bill relative to the Parade Ground at Yarmouth, as the same unanimity does not prevail on this as on the other Bills above named, the Committee are of opinion that the Rule of the House respecting due notification being given in regard to Local Bills should, in this case, be adhered to, as it is but reasonable that all parties concerned may have fair opportunity to state their views and objections, if any there be—each Member of the Committee reserving to himself the right of taking what course he may think proper as to the general question involved.

In this Report four of the Committee agree, there being but one Dissident.

All which is respectfully submitted,

H. BELL,
JAS. BOND,
JOHN MORTON,
R. M. CUTLER.

Ordered, That the said Report do lie on the Table.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly by Mr. Gray, with the following Bills:

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts in force relative to the Inspection of Pickled Fish. Pickled Fish

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act relating to Marriage Licenses. Marriage Licenses

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts now in force for the Inspection of Flour and Meal. Flour & Meal

MONDAY and TUESDAY, 28th FEBRUARY, and 1st MARCH, 1842.

Oysters Tracadie
 Sittings of Genl. Sessions &
 Common Annapolis
 Road 1st time
 5 first Bills to be read 2d time
 6th Bill ref. to Sel. Com.
 Committee
 Adjourn

A Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent the Exportation of Oysters from Tracadie, in the County of Sydney.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to alter the Sittings of the General Sessions of the Peace for the several Counties therein mentioned.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide for the Sale of a certain Common at Annapolis.
 To which Bills they desired the concurrence of this House.
 The said Bills were read a first time.
Ordered, That the five first Bills be read a second time, at a future day.
Ordered, That the sixth Bill be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon.
Ordered, That Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Morton and Mr. McFarlane, be a Committee for that purpose.
 On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, 1st March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.
 The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.
 The Honorable Peter McNab,
 Norman F. Uniacke,
 James W. Johnston,
 William Lawson,
 George Smith,
 Alexander Stewart,
 Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.
 The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
 Alexander Campbell,
 James Bond,
 Michael Tobin, Junr.
 Daniel McFarlane,
 John Morton,
 Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

Report of Com. on Pro. Notes

The Minutes of yesterday were read.
 Mr. Lawson, the Chairman of the Committee appointed to ascertain the number and amount of Provincial Treasury Notes in circulation, made his Report—which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it to the Clerk, who read the same as follows:

Report

The Committee appointed to examine and ascertain the state of the Province Notes now in circulation, report as follows:

That they have carefully examined the Journals of the House of Assembly, and Treasurer's Accounts, from the first issue in 1812 to the 31st December, 1834.

That there have been issued to the above date

	£271,778 0 0
Loaned to Annapolis and King's County	10,000 0 0
	£281,778 0 0

Cancelled and destroyed to same date	£178,804 10 0	
Error in Journal 1835	10 0 0	
Notes funded and destroyed	42,850 0 0	
Do. destroyed by fire, and paid to different persons per Treasurer's Account	226 0 0	221,890 10 0

Leaving in circulation to 31st December last £59,887 10 0

There have been cancelled and destroyed at different times from the 1st September, 1838, to 31st December, 1841, Notes of different descriptions amounting to £53,000, which have been replaced by the issue of new Notes, executed on Steel Plates, of which there were cancelled £3,800 of the new issue, and £49,200 of the Notes previously issued, leaving the sum of £10,687 10 of the old Notes in circulation.

The Committee respectfully recommend that measures be adopted to call in the remainder of

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of the old Notes, for the purpose of ascertaining whether any or what amount may be deficient, as it is desirable to ascertain the actual loss, and what amount may thereby be placed to the credit of the Province.

WILLIAM LAWSON,
GEO. SMITH,
HUGH BELL.

Ordered, That the said Report do lie on the Table.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts in force relative to the Inspection of Pickled Fish; also, Pickled Fish
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act relating to Marriage Licenses; also, Marriage Licenses
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts now in force for the Inspection of Flour and Meal; also, Flour and Meal
A Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent the Exportation of Oysters from Tracadie, in the County of Sydney; also, Oysters Tracadie &
A Bill, entitled, An Act to alter the Sittings of the General Sessions of the Peace for the several Counties therein mentioned, Genl. Sessions Bills
Were read a second time. Read 2d time &

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day. Ord. to Com.

On motion, *ordered*, that the following Bills, viz:

A Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Public Cemetery in the Town of Yarmouth, and for other purposes; also, Cemetery Yarmouth
A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide a Lock-up House and Town House at Chester; also, Lock-up House Chester
A Bill, entitled, An Act to establish a Sessions House and Lock-up House at Bridgetown, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned; also, Sessions House Bridgetown &
A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Upper Musquedoboit to enclose and ornament the Public Burial Ground there, Burial Ground Musquedoboit Bills
Be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day. Ord. to Com.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for shutting up certain parts of an old Road in the County of Sydney, between Antigonish and Guysborough, was read a second time. Old Road Sydney County Bill read 2d time & Def. 3 months

On motion, *resolved*, that the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months—the requisitions of the Standing Order of this House, No. 60, relative to notice not having been complied with.

On motion, *ordered*, that the further consideration of the following Bills, viz:

A Bill, entitled, An Act relative to the Parade at Yarmouth; also, Parade Yarmouth
A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting-House at Bridgetown, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for repairing, ornamenting, altering, or enlarging the same, and for ratifying the appointment and confirming the duties of the Trustees of the said Meeting-House; also, Meeting House Bridgetown
A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting-House in Amherst, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof; also, Meeting House Amherst
A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the shutting up of an old Road in Upper Musquedoboit; also, Old Road Musquedoboit &
A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide for opening a Cross Road in Upper Musquedoboit, be deferred to this day three months—the requisitions of the Standing Order of this House number 60, relative to notice concerning Local Bills not having been complied with. Cross Road Musquedoboit Bills def. 3 months

On motion, *ordered*, that the further consideration of a Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the sale of the Old Court House and Jail at Guysborough, be deferred to this day three months. Court House Guysborough Bill def. 3 months

Mr. Wilkins, the Chairman of the Committee to whom a Bill, entitled, An Act to provide Committee on Annapolis Common Bill Report

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vide for the Sale of a certain Common at Annapolis was referred, reported that the requisitions of the Standing Order of this House, No. 60, requiring notice relative to Local Bills, had not been complied with.

Bill def. 3 months

Whereupon, it was on motion, *ordered*, that the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months.

Probate Bill read 2d time &

A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Courts of Probate, and to the settlement and distribution of the Estates of deceased persons, was read a second time.

Ord. to Com.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

Pet. of R. Williamson & al.

Mr. Stewart brought up the Petition of R. Williamson and others, praying that no grant of money may pass to the Pictou Academy; or otherwise that a grant of an equal sum may pass for a School under the management of Presbyterians in connection with the Church of Scotland—which was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Pet. of Wm. Ross & al.

Mr. Morton brought up the Petition of William Ross and others, praying aid to Acadia College—which was ordered to lie on the Table.

Adjourn

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Wednesday, 2d March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Peter McNab,
Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
George Smith,
Alexander Stewart,
William Rudolf,
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.

The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
Alexander Campbell,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
Daniel M'Farlane,
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

Mr. Johnston presented a Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent delay in the Administration of Justice in cases of Misdemesnor.

The said Bill was read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

Mr. Wilkins moved that the House do come to the following Resolutions:

Resolved, That this House concurs in the opinion expressed by the Right Honorable Lord Glenelg, then Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, in his Despatch dated 30th April, 1837, and addressed to Sir Colin Campbell, then the Lieutenant-Governor of this Province, that "the Legislative Council of this Colony should, as far as possible, be composed not merely of Members connected with the Capital, but with the other principal Towns and the Rural Districts"; and that such opinion has been abundantly confirmed by the experience of this House since its constitution in the year 1838.

Resolved also, That the opinion expressed by the House of Assembly in their Address to Her Majesty, passed in the Session of 1838, to the effect "that the Agricultural interest should be properly represented in this House, and that a predominance therein of an interest connected with the Capital was not desirable," is in perfect accordance with the sentiments of this House.

Resolved,

Delay in Misdemesnors Bill presented & Read 1st time

Resolution rel. to composition of House

To. do.

3d. *Resolved also*, That in the opinion of this House, a steady and regular attendance of its Members upon the Legislature, whilst in Session, is essential to the efficient discharge of its Constitutional Functions as one of the Branches of the Legislature, and to the promotion of the public interests connected therewith. Do. as to attendance of Members

4th. *Resolved also*, That it is the opinion of this House, that unless Legislative provision be made for compensating its Members their reasonable expenses, as well as their travelling charges, whilst serving in General Assembly, the regular attendance in their places of such of them as do not reside in the Capital or its vicinity cannot be expected, and that this House cannot continue to be constituted in accordance with the opinions referred to in the foregoing Resolutions. Do. as to pay of Members

5th. *Resolved*, That a Conference be desired with the House of Assembly, by Committee, on the General State of the Province, and that the Committee of this House do communicate to the Committee of the House of Assembly the foregoing Resolutions. Resolution for Conference on Genl. State of Province

Which, being seconded, after long debate, the further consideration of the said Resolutions was postponed until to-morrow. Debate adjourned

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock. Adjourn

Thursday, 3d March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Peter McNab,
Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
George Smith,
Alexander Stewart,
William Rudolf,
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.

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The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
Alexander Campbell,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
Daniel M'Farlane,
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent delay in the Administration of Justice in cases of Misdemeanor, was read a second time. Misdemeanor Bill read 2d time and

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day. Ordered to Com.

The President presented a Bill, entitled, An Act relating to Houses of Public Worship in this Province. Public Worship Houses Bill presented
The said Bill was read a first time. Read 1st time

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

Mr. Johnston presented a Bill, entitled, An Act for disposing of old Roads. Old Roads Bill presented and read 1st time
The said Bill was read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly by Mr. Gray, with the following Bills:

A Bill, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions before Justices of the Peace. Summary Trials before J. Peace
A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Lunenburg to enclose the Public Burial Ground there. Burial Ground Lunenburg
A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Aylesford Pier Company. Aylesford Pier Co. and

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Old Road Pictou Bills
 Read 1st time
 Summary Trials before J. P. ref. to Law Clerk
 Debate on Mr. Wilkins Resolutions resumed
 1st Resolution
 Agreed to
 2 and 3rd Resolutions
 Agreed to
 4th Resolution
 Agreed to
 Motion not to agree to 5th Resolution
 Motion to adjourn
 Adjourn

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the shutting up of a certain old Road at the West River of Pictou.
 To which Bills they desired the concurrence of this House.
 The said Bills were read a first time.
Ordered, That the three first Bills be read a second time, at a future day.
Ordered, That the first Bill be referred to the Law Clerk, to examine and report upon.
 The Order of the Day being read for the House to resume the adjourned debate on the Resolutions proposed by Mr. Wilkins yesterday, the debate was accordingly resumed.
 After some time, the question was put by the President on the first Resolution, Whether this Resolution be agreed to?
 It was resolved in the affirmative.
 Then the question was put by the President, on the second and third Resolutions, respectively,
 Whether this Resolution be agreed to?
 It was resolved in the affirmative.
 Then the question was put by the President, on the fourth Resolution, Whether this Resolution be agreed to?
 It was resolved in the affirmative.

For agreeing to the Resolution,	Against the Resolution,
Mr. McNab,	The Lord Bishop,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Smith,
Mr. Uniacke,	Mr. Rudolf,
Mr. Wilkins,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Cutler,	Mr. Bond,
Mr. Morton,	Mr. Tobin,
Mr. McFarlane,	Mr. Bell.

 Mr. Johnston then moved that the fifth Resolution be not agreed to: which, being seconded, after a short debate,
 It was moved that the House do adjourn: which, being seconded, and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.
 The House was accordingly adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Friday, 4th March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.
 The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Peter McNab,	§	The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
Norman F. Uniacke,	§	Alexander Campbell,
James W. Johnston,	§	James Bond,
William Lawson,	§	Michael Tobin, Junr.
George Smith,	§	Daniel McFarlane,
Alexander Stewart,	§	John Morton,
William Rudolf,	§	Hugh Bell.
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.	§	

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to Houses of Public Worship in this Province; also,
 A Bill, entitled, An Act for disposing of Old Roads,
 Were read a second time.
Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

Houses of Public Worship & Old Roads Bills read 2d time
 Ordered to Com.

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A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Lunenburg to enclose the Public Burial Ground there; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Aylesford Pier Company,
Were read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

Burial Ground Lunenburg and
Aylesford Pier Co. Bills
Read 2d time and
Ordered to Com.

On motion, the House proceeded to the further consideration of the fifth Resolution proposed by Mr. Wilkins on Wednesday last—whereupon Mr. Wilkins moved that the said Resolution be agreed to: which, being seconded after long debate, the question was put by the President,

Debate on 5th of Mr. Wilkins' Resolutions resumed

Whether this Resolution be agreed to?
It was resolved in the affirmative.

For the Resolution,

Mr. McNab, The Lord Bishop,
Mr. Lawson, Mr. Smith,
Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Rudolf,
Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Cutler, Mr. Bond,
Mr. Morton, Mr. Tobin,
Mr. McFarlane, Mr. Bell.

Against the Resolution,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Stewart.

Dissentient to the fourth and fifth Resolutions:

1st.—Because the facts assumed in the fourth Resolution have not been sufficiently attested to warrant this House in acting upon them; and because it conduces to the dignity and efficiency of this House that its Members should serve in General Assembly without any pecuniary remuneration, and therefore it is premature to move the question at present.

Dissentient with reasons to 4th & 5th Resolutions

2d.—Because the fifth Resolution is unnecessary for making known the opinion of this House, and may tend to lower the position and standing of this House in its relations with the House of Assembly.

J. W. JOHNSTON.

Dissentient to the fourth and fifth Resolutions:

1st.—Because such provision would be destructive of the character, independence, and utility of this House; the only adequate remedy for the evil set forth in the fourth Resolution being the appointment of its Members as the Legislative Councillors in Canada are appointed, not during the Royal Pleasure only, but for life.

Dissentient with reasons to 4th & 5th Resolutions

2d.—Because if the making such a provision were a sufficient remedy, this House ought not to originate any measure to obtain it, still less ought the Legislative Council to intimate any wish on the subject to the House of Assembly.

ALEXANDER STEWART.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 2 o'clock.

Adjourn

Saturday, 5th March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
George Smith,
Alexander Stewart,
William Rudolf,
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.

The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
Alexander Campbell,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
Daniel M'Farlane,
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

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SATURDAY, 5th MARCH, 1842.

Confer. on Gen. State of Province asked	A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk, To desire a Conference with that House, by Committee, on the General State of the Province, pursuant to the fifth Resolution proposed by Mr. Wilkins on Wednesday last.
Agreed to	A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to the Conference desired by this House.
Committee	<i>Ordered,</i> That Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Morton, Mr. Rudolf, Mr. Tobin and Mr. Bell, be a Committee of this House to manage the said Conference.
Report	And the Managers went to the Conference, and, being returned, Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had held the said Conference, and that he had communicated his instructions to the Committee of the House of Assembly.
Com. on Bills	On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Committee had made some progress.
Recommend Margaretville Pier Co. Bill to be deferred 3 months	The Chairman also reported that the Committee had had under consideration a Bill, entitled, An Act to repeal the ninth Clause or Section of the Act to Incorporate the Margaretville Pier Company, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof, and had directed him to report that it was the opinion of the Committee that the further consideration of the said Bill should be deferred to this day three months, as the requisitions of the Standing Order of this House, No. 60, requiring notice relative to Local Bills, had not been complied with.
Bill deferred	<i>Ordered,</i> That the said Report be received, and the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months.
Report Misdemesnor and	The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through A Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent delay in the Administration of Justice in cases of Misdemesnor; also,
Houses of Public Worship Bills without amendt.	A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to Houses of Public Worship, and to Burial Grounds in this Province,
Ordered to be engrossed	And had agreed to the same without any amendment.
Report Burial Ground Lunenburg	<i>Ordered,</i> That the said Bills be engrossed, and read a third time, at a future day.
Burial Ground Musquedoboit	The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Lunenburg to enclose the Public Burial Ground there; also,
Pickled Fish	A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Upper Musquedoboit to enclose and ornament the Public Burial Ground there; also,
Marriage Licenses and Flour and Meal Bills Without amendt.	A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts in force relative to the Inspection of Pickled Fish; also,
Report Disorderly Riding Bill with amendts.	A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act relating to Marriage Licenses; also,
Amendts. read	A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts now in force for the Inspection of Flour and Meal, And had agreed to the same without any amendment.
	<i>Ordered,</i> That the said Bills be read a third time, at a future day.
	The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act to prevent Disorderly Riding, and to regulate the Driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, or other Towns, or on the Public Roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned, and had made several amendments thereto.
	The said amendments were read by the Clerk, as follows: In the preamble to the 3d Clause, 1st and 2d lines; leave out the words "trotting or galloping," and insert instead thereof the words "riding or driving." 2d line—After the word "Animals," insert the words "at a fast pace." 3d Clause, 3d line—Leave out the words "trot or gallop," and insert instead thereof the words "ride or drive at any pace faster than a walk."

4th line—After the word “ Ass” insert the words “ or Ox, Bull, Cow or Steer.”
 And the said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to by the House. And agreed to
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time, at a future day.
 The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Report Burial
 Act for establishing a Public Cemetery in the Town of Yarmouth, and for other purposes, Ground Yarmouth
 and had made an amendment thereto. Bill with amendt.
 The said amendment was read by the Clerk, as follows: Amendt. read and
 At the end of the Bill insert the following Proviso :
Provided always, That nothing herein contained shall in any way affect the right of any
 person or persons whomsoever to the said Land so to be enclosed, or any part thereof—
 but that such right, if any exist, shall remain the same, as if this Act had not been passed.
 And the said amendment being read a second time, was agreed to by the House. Agreed to
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time, at a future day.
 The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Report Gen. Ses-
 Act to alter the Sittings of the General Sessions of the Peace for the several Counties sions Bill with
 therein mentioned, and had made an amendment thereto. amendt.
 The said amendment was read by the Clerk, as follows: Amendt. read and
 1st Clause—Before the words “County of Annapolis” insert the words following :
 “ King’s County, on the last Tuesday of October.”
 And the said amendment being read a second time, was agreed to by the House. Agreed to
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time, at a future day.
 The Chairman also reported that the Committee had had under consideration a Bill, Recommend Meet-
 entitled, An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting-House in Hor- ing House Horton
 ton, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and orna- Bill to be deferred
 menting thereof—and had directed him to report that it was the opinion of the Committee 3 months
 that the further consideration of the said Bill should be deferred to this day three months.
Ordered, That the said Report be received, and the further consideration of the said Bill deferred
 Bill be deferred to this day three months.
 On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until Monday, at 12 o’clock. Adjourn

Monday, 7th March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,
 James W. Johnston,
 William Lawson,
 George Smith,
 Alexander Stewart,
 William Rudolf,
 Lewis M. Wilkins, Jun.

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The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
 Alexander Campbell,
 James Bond,
 Michael Tobin, Jun.
 Daniel McFarlane,
 John Morton,
 Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of Saturday were read.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent delay in the Administration of Justice in cases of Misdemesnor and
 Misdemesnor; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to Houses of Public Worship, and to Burial Grounds, Houses of Public
 in this Province, Worship Bills
 Were read a third time, and the question was put by the President on each Bill, read 3d time

Whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative. Agreed to and

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- Sent to H. A. A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,
To carry down the said Bills, and desire their concurrence thereto.
- Burial Ground Lunenburg A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Lunenburg to enclose the Public Burial Ground there; also,
- Do. Musquedoboit A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Upper Musquedoboit to enclose and ornament the Public Burial Ground there; also,
- Pickled Fish A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts in force relative to the Inspection of Pickled Fish; also,
- Marriage Licenses and Flour and Meal Bills A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act relating to Marriage Licenses; also,
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts now in force for the Inspection of Flour and Meal,
- Read 3d time Were read a third time, and the question was put by the President on each Bill,
Whether this Bill shall pass?
- Agreed to and It was resolved in the affirmative.
- Sent to H. A. A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,
To return the said Bills, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, without any amendment.
- Disorderly Riding A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act to prevent Disorderly Riding, and to regulate the driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, or other Towns, or on the Public Roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned; also,
- Cemetery Yarmouth and A Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Public Cemetery in the Town of Yarmouth, and for other purposes; also,
A Bill, entitled, An Act to alter the Sittings of the General Sessions of the Peace for the several Counties therein mentioned,
- Gen. Sessions Bills Read 3d time and Were read a third time, and the question was put by the President on each Bill,
Whether this Bill, with the amendments, shall pass?
- Agreed to It was resolved in the affirmative.
- And sent to H. A. A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,
To return the said Bills, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, with amendments—to which amendments their concurrence is desired.
- Com. on Bills On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Committee had made some progress.
- Report Old Roads Bill without amendt. The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act for disposing of Old Roads, and had agreed to the same without any amendment.
Ordered, That the said Bill be engrossed, and read a third time at a future day.
- Report Aylesford Pier Co. Bill with amendts. read The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Aylesford Pier Company, and had made two amendments thereto.
The said Amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:
4th Clause—5th line—after the word "Aylesford" insert the following words: "upon any land or piece of land covered with water, to which the said Corporation is or may be entitled."
7th line—after the word "thereto," insert the following words: "on any land to which the said Corporation is or may be entitled."
- And agreed to And the said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to by the House.
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time, at a future day.
- Teachers of Schools Bill presented And read 1st time Mr. Johnston presented a Bill, entitled, An Act respecting Teachers of Schools.
The said Bill was read a first time.
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.
- Adjourn On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 1 o'clock.

Tuesday,

TUESDAY, 8th MARCH, 1842.

Tuesday, 8th March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,
 James W. Johnston,
 William Lawson,
 George Smith,
 Alexander Stewart,
 William Rudolf,
 Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.

The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
 Alexander Campbell,
 James Bond,
 Michael Tobin, Junr.
 Daniel M'Farlane,
 John Morton,
 Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for disposing of Old Roads,
 Was read a third time, and the question was put by the President,
 Whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

Old Roads Bill read
3d time

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Agreed to and

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,
 To carry down the said Bill, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Sent to H. A.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Aylesford Pier Company, was read a third
 time, and the question was put by the President,

Aylesford Pier Co.
Bill read 3d time

Whether this Bill, with the amendments, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Agreed to and

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,
 To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the said Bill,
 with amendments—to which amendments their concurrence is desired.

Sent to H. A.

A Bill, entitled, An Act respecting Teachers of Schools,
 Was read a second time,

Teachers of Schools
Bill read 2d time

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a fu-
 ture day.

And ord. to Com.

On motion of Mr. Bell, *ordered,* that McFarlane have leave of absence, to return home
 on urgent private business.

Leave of absence to
Mr. McFarlane

Mr. Stewart brought up the Petition of Ruggles and others; also, of George
 Vroom and others; also, of Richard Mott and others, against the Bill, entitled, An Act to
 establish a Sessions House and Lock-up House at Bridgetown, and to repeal a certain Act
 therein mentioned.

Pet. of Ruggles &
al. G. Vroom & al.
R. Mott & al.

The said Petitions were ordered to lie on the Table.

On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on
 Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Com-
 mittee had made some progress.

Com. on Bills

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An
 Act for establishing a Presbyterian Burial Ground at Dartmouth, and had made several
 amendments thereto.

Report Burial
Ground Dartmouth
Bill with amendts.

The said amendments were read by the Clerk, as follows :

Amendts. read

In the title—1st line—Leave out the word "Presbyterian," and insert instead thereof
 the word "Public."

In the 2d Preamble—1st and 2d lines—Leave out the words "the Congregation of the
 Presbyterian Meeting House," and insert the words "there is no Public Burial Ground."

2d

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2d and 3d lines—Leave out the words “have no Burial Ground connected with said Church.”

4th and 5th lines—Leave out the words “the said Congregation have prayed, “ and insert the words “it is desirable.”

5th line—Before the word “Burial” insert the word “Public.”

6th line—Leave out the words “for their use.”

In the Clause—4th, 5th and 6th Lines—Leave out the words “and may make and execute to the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church at Dartmouth, a Deed or Conveyance in fee simple,” and insert instead thereof the words “set off and allot.”

21st line—After the word “said” leave out the remainder of the Clause, and insert instead thereof the following words: “Lot shall be held by the said Trustees in trust, as and for a Public Burial Place for the use of the Inhabitants of Dartmouth, of every Denomination.”

And agreed to

And the said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to by the House.

Report Tracadie
Oyster Bill with
amendts.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time, at a future day.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent the exportation of Oysters from Tracadie, in the County of Sydney, and had made several amendments thereto.

Amendts. read

The said amendments were read by the Clerk, as follows:

In the title—2d line—Leave out the word “exportation,” and insert the word “taking.”

1st Clause—6th and 7th lines—Leave out the words “for exportation or carry out of the County of Sydney,” and insert the words “take or carry away.”

2d Clause—1st and 2d lines—Leave out the words “Master or Owner of any Vessel, or other.”

And agreed to

14th line—Insert “ten” instead of “thirty,” and “twenty” instead of “fifty.”

And the said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time, at a future day.

Message from H. A.
not agreeing to
Amendt. to Yar-
mouth Cemetery
Bill

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly did not agree to the amendment proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Public Cemetery in the Town of Yarmouth, and for other purposes.

Billetting Troops
Bill

The Messenger also brought up the following Bill and Resolutions:

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act, entitled, An Act to provide for the Accommodation and Billetting of His Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another, and also the Acts in amendment thereof.

5l. Alpheus Morse

Whereas, Alpheus Morse, Commissioner for expending the sum of Five Pounds on the Road from John Morse's to Black River, in the year 1833, has not been paid, and that sum has been left in the Provincial Chest:

Resolved therefore, That the sum of Five Pounds be granted and paid to Alpheus Morse, Commissioner for the expending that sum from John Morse's to Black River, for that purpose.

15l. D. Durland

Resolved, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted and paid to Daniel Durland, to enable him to keep a Public House to accommodate Travellers between Queen's and Annapolis, which House is about twelve miles from any Settlement each way in the County of Annapolis.

15l. Reuben Nickerson

Resolved, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted and paid to Reuben Nickerson, to enable him to keep up his Establishment for the accommodation of Travellers on the Road from Shelburne to Barrington.

15l. Os. 2d. Hon.
Geo. Smith

Resolved, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds and Two-pence be granted and paid to the Honorable George Smith, for repairs on the Store House for Arms and Ammunition, and on the Keeper's House at Pictou.

10l. J. McKay

Resolved, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted and paid to John McKay, Esquire, Commissioner for building the New Glasgow Bridge, to defray his expenses in attending a Committee of the House of Assembly, during the present Session.

20l. Ferry near Shu-
benacadie River

Resolved, That the sum of Ten Pounds each be granted to the two Licensed Ferry-men

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Ferrymen at the mouth of the Shubenacadie, in the Counties of Hants and Colchester, for the transportation of Horses and Carriages across that River—to be paid on the Certificate of the General or Special Sessions of each County respectively that such Ferry has been duly attended, and proper Boats procured and used.

Resolved, That the sum of Ten Pounds and Five Shillings be granted and paid to Wm. P. Moffatt, to repay Expenses incurred by him in the Exploration of the Canal line between Bay of Verte and Bay of Fundy. 2l. 5s. W. P. Moffatt

Resolved, That the sum of Two Hundred and Seventeen Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Four-pence be granted and paid to James B. Hadley, Collector of Light Duty in the Gut of Canso, for repaying his expenses, and remunerating him for his services in the year 1841, agreeably to the Report of the Committee on his Petition. 217l. 17s. 4d. J. B. Hadley

Resolved, That the sum of Seven Hundred and Ninety-four Pounds Nine Shillings and Seven-pence, be granted and paid to Messrs. John Howe & Son, to pay the Balance of their Account for the last year for Printing for Government and the Legislature, including Richard Nugent's Account for Twenty Pounds. 794l. 9s. 7d. John Howe & Son

Resolved, That the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted to the Proprietors of the Steam Boat Pocohontas, for the supporting and maintaining a good and sufficient Steam Boat between Pictou and Prince Edward Island for the present year—to be paid when it shall be satisfactorily made appear to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, that such Boat, (when not prevented by boisterous weather or unavoidable accident,) has plied, during the Summer Season, three times a week between Pictou and Prince Edward Island; and shall, if required, have conveyed the Mails between this Province and said Island; and the further sum of Fifty Pounds to be paid when it shall be made in like manner to appear that such Steam Boat has plied once a fortnight between Pictou and Miramichi during the Summer Season, under the Regulations aforesaid. 200l. Pocohontas Steamer

Resolved, That the sum of Sixty-three Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to pay to Charles W. Wallace, Fourteen Pounds; to Edward Duckett, Fourteen Pounds; and to Arthur Brymer, Thirty-five Pounds, for defraying their Expenses in attending a Criminal Prosecution at Arichat. 63l. expenses of Criminal Prosecution at Arichat

Resolved, That the sum of Two Pounds Five Shillings and Ten-pence be granted and paid to James C. Betts, expences of a Prosecution incurred by him, agreeably to the Report of the Committee on his Petition. 2l. 5s. 10d. J. C. Betts

Resolved, That the sum of One Hundred and Ninety-seven Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Five-pence, be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to reimburse the sum of Fifty Pounds advanced by His Excellency on account of charges incurred by authority of the Board of Health at Pictou, in cases of Small Pox and Typhus Fever, and to meet the balance due therefor, according to the Report of the Committee. 197l. 15s. 5d. Expenses Small Pox Pictou

Resolved, That the sum of Seventy-two Pounds Nine Shillings and Eight-pence be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to pay the sum of Twenty-two Pounds Nine Shillings and Eight-pence, expended by the Commissioners of the Poor for the Township of Halifax in necessaries for the sick in the Waterloo Hospital; and to pay the sum of Fifty Pounds to Dr. Hoffman, for his attendance on said Hospital. 72l. 9s. 8d. Waterloo Hospital

Resolved, That the sum of Seven Hundred and Forty-three Pounds and Five Shillings be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to reimburse the sum of Fourteen Pounds advanced to the County of Sydney for vaccination of poor persons, and to pay the other claims for that service, pursuant to the Report of the Committee. 743l. 5s. Vaccination

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty-two Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Six-pence be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to pay the charges in the case of George W. Potter, for attendance upon him whilst afflicted with the Small Pox, pursuant to the Report of the Committee. 22l. 15s. 6d. G. W. Potter's expenses

Resolved,

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157. 15s. 4d. Dr.
Hoffman

Resolved, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Four-pence be granted and paid to Dr. Matthias Hoffman, for his services as Health Officer in boarding the French Ships of War La Belle Poule and Cassard, and Her Majesty's Ship of War Seringapatam, and attendance upon persons of the same Vessels in cases of Small Pox.

277. 15s. Overseers
of Poor Argyle

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty-seven Pounds and Fifteen Shillings be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to pay the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Argyle, pursuant to the Report of the Committee.

41. 10s. Jonathan
Borden

Resolved, That the sum of Four Pounds and Ten Shillings be granted and paid to Jonathan Borden, as remuneration for services performed by him in vaccinating sundry poor Settlers and Indians, in the Township of Londonderry, in the year 1841.

207. Francis Hoop-
er

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to Francis Hooper, in pursuance of the Report of the Committee on his Petition.

205l. 7s. 8d. expens-
es of Transient
Paupers

Resolved, That such sum be granted and paid as will be sufficient to defray the following expenses, incurred in the support of Transient Paupers, pursuant to the Report of the Committee on that subject, viz :

To the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Pictou, Sixty-one Pounds and Five-pence; Egerton, Twelve Pounds; Newport, Four Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Six-pence; District of River Philip, Thirteen Pounds Four Shillings and Six-pence; District of Pugwash, Thirteen Pounds Five Shillings; Township of Argyle, Fifteen Pounds Fifteen Shillings; Guysborough, Three Pounds Eight Shillings and Six-pence; Dorchester, Eight Pounds, Seven Shillings and Seven-pence; Annapolis, Twelve Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Seven-pence; Liverpool, Four Pounds Four Shillings and Three-pence; Windsor, to be paid to Doctor Pyke, One Pound Fifteen Shillings; Barrington, Eleven Pounds One Shilling and Nine-pence; Yarmouth, Forty-four Pounds and Seven-pence.

207. Mark Terfry

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to Mark Terfry, for expenses incurred by him in assistance afforded to a Traveller in a state of mental derangement.

267. Patrick Flynn &
al.

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty-six Pounds be granted to pay to Patrick Flynn Twenty Pounds; to Edward Van Horn Three Pounds; and to Caleb G. Seely Three Pounds; amount of Treasury Notes destroyed by the shipwreck of the Schooner Rival Packet.

427. increase of al-
lowance to Mail
Couriers

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Forty-two Pounds be granted to pay for the increased allowance to Mail Couriers, conformably to the Report of the Post Office Committee.

657. establishing
new Mail Routes

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-five Pounds be granted to pay for the establishing new Mail Routes, and transport of Mails, conformably to the Report of the Post Office Committee.

2007. annually for
three years to Jus.
Whitney

Resolved, That the annual sum of Two Hundred Pounds, for the next three years, be granted and paid to James Whitney, to enable him to run a Steam Boat at least once a week during that period between Annapolis, Digby, and St. John New-Brunswick, on condition of his running a good and sufficient Steam Boat all the year round, during each year, found with good and sufficient Boats, between St. John and Digby, the voyage at all times to be extended to Annapolis when practicable: *Provided*, the said James Whitney do carry all the Mails without any additional expense—the said sum to be drawn quarterly on the certificate of the Deputy Post Master at Digby, that the duty has been faithfully performed; *And Provided also*, that in case the said James Whitney shall not undertake to run a Steam Boat the whole year, that then, and in such case, the sum hereby granted shall not be paid, but there shall be granted and paid to the said James Whitney the sum of One Hundred Pounds for carrying the Mails in the same manner, and on the same terms, and subject to the like stipulations, as last year.

207. Lem. More-
house

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to Lemuel Morehouse, to repay him for expense of Ferriages for the years 1840 and 1841, agreeably to the Report of the Committee on the Post Office Department.

5507. balances due
Mail Couriers

Resolved, That the sum of Five Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to defray

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defray the balances due Mail Couriers up to 5th January last, agreeably to the Report of the Committee on the Post Office Department.

Resolved, That the sum of Six Hundred and Nine Pounds Three Shillings and One Penny be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to enable him to defray certain expenses incurred in the relief of Shipwrecked Seamen and distressed Settlers, pursuant to the Report of the Committee on that subject. 609l. 9s. 1d. expenses of Shipwrecked Mariners

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and paid to aid the Inhabitants in completing Everitt's Pier, in the County of Digby—to be drawn when it shall be satisfactorily made appear to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that the sum of Seventy-five Pounds has been subscribed and expended by the Inhabitants on said Pier. 25l. Everitt's Pier

Resolved, That such sum be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, as will suffice to pay to the Inhabitants a sum in aid of completing the Breakwater at Givan's Cove, equal to one third of any amount which shall be satisfactorily proved to His Excellency to have been subscribed by the Inhabitants, and actually expended on said Breakwater; *Provided*, the sum hereby granted shall not exceed One Hundred Pounds. 100l. Breakwater at Givan's Cove

Resolved, That the sum of Fifty-three Pounds Eleven Shillings and Eight-pence be granted and paid to the Commissioners for building the Arisaig Pier, to reimburse that sum over-expended on said work. 53l. 11s. 8d Arisaig Pier

Resolved, That the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted to aid the Inhabitants of the Township of Clare in the erection of a Breakwater at Saulnier's Cove, in that Township—to be drawn when it shall be satisfactorily made appear to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor that the sum of Three Hundred Pounds has been raised by private contribution, and expended on said work, and that the use of the Pier has been secured to the Public. 100l. Breakwater at Saulnier's Cove

Resolved, That the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to aid the Inhabitants in the erection of the Wilmot Pier—to be drawn when it shall be satisfactorily made appear to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that the sum of Three Hundred Pounds has been raised by private contribution, and expended on said work, and that the use of the Pier has been secured to the Public. 100l. Wilmot Pier

Resolved, That the sum One Hundred and Sixty-six Pounds be granted to aid the Inhabitants in the completion of the Pier at Montegan Cove, in the Township of Clare—to be drawn when it shall be satisfactorily made appear to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor that the sum of Five Hundred Pounds has been raised by private contribution, and expended on said work, and that the use of the Pier has been secured to the Public. 166l. Pier Montegan Cove

Resolved, That such sum be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, as will suffice to pay to the Inhabitants a sum in aid of the completion of the Breakwater at Hall's Harbor, equal to one third of any amount which shall be satisfactorily proved to His Excellency to have been subscribed by the Inhabitants, and actually expended on said Breakwater; *Provided*, the sum hereby granted shall not exceed One Hundred Pounds. 100l. Breakwater Hall's Harbour

Resolved, That such sum be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor as will suffice to pay to the Inhabitants a sum in aid of the completion of the Margaretville Pier, equal to one third of any amount which shall be satisfactorily proved to His Excellency to have been subscribed by the Inhabitants, and actually expended on said Breakwater, and that the use of the Pier has been secured to the Public: *Provided*, the sum hereby granted shall not exceed One Hundred Pounds. 100l. Margaretville Pier

Resolved, That such sum be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor as will suffice to pay to the Inhabitants a sum in aid of the completion of the Breakwater at Canady's Creek, on the Bay Shore, Cornwallis, equal to one third of any amount which shall be satisfactorily proved to His Excellency to have been subscribed by the Inhabitants, and actually expended on said Breakwater: *Provided*, the sum hereby granted shall not exceed One Hundred Pounds. 100l. Breakwater Canady's Creek

Resolved, That the sum of Sixty Pounds be granted to aid the Inhabitants of Clare in 60l. Breakwater Montegan

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in the completion of the Breakwater at Montegan River—to be drawn when it shall be satisfactorily made to appear to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor that the sum of One Hundred and Eighty Pounds, subscribed by the Inhabitants, has been actually expended on said Work.

257. J. H. Metzler

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and paid Joey H. Metzler, being amount of Province Notes destroyed by fire, agreeably to the prayer of his Petition.

6617. 18s. 5d. Commissioners Public Buildings

Resolved, That the sum of Six Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Five-pence be granted and paid to the Commissioners of Public Buildings, to defray the expenses incurred by them during the last year.

257. Block House Lunenburg

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for the purpose of repairing the Block House on the Block House Hill so called, near the Town of Lunenburg.

507. Peter Hume

Resolved, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to Peter Hume, to compensate him in part for loss of Mills by fire, agreeably to the prayer of his Petition, and the Report of the Committee thereon.

3007. Indians

Resolved, That the sum of Three Hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for the benefit of the Indians, for the present year, to be expended agreeably to the Act of the present Session.

4067. 17s. 9d. to repay excess of Duties

Resolved, That the sum of Four Hundred and Six Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Nine-pence be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to repay to the respective parties enumerated in the Schedule annexed to the Report of the Select Committee of the House of Assembly on Trade and Manufactures, the excess of certain Duties paid by such parties, at the rate in such Schedule mentioned.

6007. Transient Poor Halifax

Resolved, That the sum of Six Hundred Pounds be granted and paid for the support of the Transient Poor for the present year.

807. Adjt. Gen. and 407. Qr. Mr. Gen. of Militia

Resolved, That the sum of Eighty Pounds be granted and paid to the Adjutant General of Militia, for his services for the present year; and the further sum of Forty Pounds to the Quarter Master General of Militia, for his services for the present year.

4007. Commrs. of Sable Island

Resolved, That the sum of Four Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Commissioners of Sable Island, for the support of that Establishment for the present year.

207. Douglas and Londonderry Ferry

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted to aid the Inhabitants of Douglas, at the mouth of the River Shubenacadie, in supporting a suitable Boat or Scow, to run between Londonderry and that place; the said Boat to be run under the regulations of the General Sessions for the County of Hants—to be paid by Warrant from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, upon Certificate from said Sessions that said Boat has been running at least twice a week for six months, to the satisfaction of the said Sessions under their regulations.

207. Ferry at Gut of Canso

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to aid the Inhabitants of Cape-Breton in supporting a suitable Boat or Scow, to run between McMillan's Point, in Cape-Breton, and Auld's Cove, in the County of Sydney—the said Boat or Scow to be placed under the regulation of the General Sessions for the County of Inverness.

157. Jno. and Chas. Pernette

Resolved, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted and paid to John Pernette and Charles Pernette, for keeping up the Ferry over LaHave River.

107. C. Craig Ferry Sable River

Resolved, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted and paid to Cornelius Craig, to enable him to keep up the Ferry across the Narrows at the entrance of Sable River, in the County of Shelburne.

107. R. Carter Ferry Gut of Canso

Resolved, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted and paid to Richard Carter, to enable him to run a suitable Ferry Boat or Scow between his Landing on the western side of the Gut of Canso, and David McPherson's, on the eastern side thereof—the said Ferry Boat or Scow to be run under the regulation of the General Sessions for the County of Guysborough.

107. Ferry Gut of Canso

Resolved, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted and paid to the Ferryman on the Eastern side of the Gut of Canso, to enable him to run a suitable Boat or Scow between Richard Carter's Landing, on the Western side of said Gut, and David McPherson's, on the

the Eastern side thereof—the said Ferry Boat or Scow to be run under the regulation of the General Sessions for the County of Richmond.

Resolved, That the Sum of Forty Pounds be granted and paid as the Salary of the Female Teacher of the African School at Halifax, for the present year.

40l. Female Teacher African School

Resolved, That the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Hon. Hugh Bell and others, to support a School in connexion with the Methodist Church in Halifax.

100l. Methodist School

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and paid to the Commissioners of the Poor in Halifax, to defray the expense of continuing the School in the Poor House for the present year, for the benefit of Orphans and Poor Children in that Establishment.

25l. School in Poor House

Resolved, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to the Ladies, Managers of the Infant School at Halifax, in aid of that Institution for the present year.

50l. Infant School Halifax

Resolved, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to Doctors Grigor and Stirling, in aid of the Halifax Dispensary for the present year; provided they keep, during the year, a sufficient quantity of Vaccine Matter.

50l. Halifax Dispensary

Resolved, That the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Rev. R. F. Uniacke, to enable him to defray the expenses incurred to support Schools for Poor Children in the North Suburbs of the Town of Halifax.

100l. Rev. Mr. Uniacke's School

To which Bill and Resolutions they desired the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

Billetting Troops Bill read 1st time

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

Mr. Johnston, by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's command, laid before the House, a copy of an Order of the Queen in Council, leaving to its operation a Bill, passed in the last Session of the Legislature, entitled, An Act concerning the Court of Marriage and Divorce.

Message from H. E. with H. M's. confirmation of Marriage and Divorce Bill

The said Order was ordered to lie on the Table.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 1 o'clock.

Adjourn

Wednesday, 9th March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
George Smith,
Alexander Stewart,
William Rudolf,
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.

The Honorable Robert M. Cutler,
Alexander Campbell,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
Daniel M'Farlane,
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

The President informed the House that he had received at Letter from Mr. Morse stating that he was very anxious to attend in his place in this House, but that he was prevented by severe indisposition.

Mr. Morse's excuse

Ordered, That Mr. Morse's excuse be accepted.

Accepted

A Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Presbyterian Burial Ground at Dartmouth, was read a third time.

Burial Ground Dartmouth Bill read 3d time

Whereupon, Mr. Morton moved that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House: which, being seconded, and the question being put, was agreed to.

Motion to re-commit Bill agreed to

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

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- Oysters from Tracadie Bill
Read 3d time
- Agreed to
And sent to H. A.
- Pet. of Commrs. of Poor
Do. of G. Eastwood
- Billetting Troops Bill
Read 2d time and
Ord. to Com.
- Com. on Bills report progress
- Message from H.A. disagreeing to amendments, to Tracadie Oyster Bill
- Snaring Moose
- Poors' Rates Pictou and Egerton and
St. Matthew's Church Property Bills
- 10l. change of appropriation—Road Co. of Pictou
- 10l. change of appropriation Co. of Digby
- 40l. E. Crowell
- 60l. Beacon Guysboro'
- 20l. Bay of Verte Packet
- A Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent the Exportation of Oysters from Tracadie, in the County of Sydney,
Was read a third time, and the question was put by the President, Whether this Bill, with the amendments, shall pass?
It was resolved in the affirmative.
A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk, To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same with amendments—to which amendments their concurrence is desired.
- Mr. Bell brought up the Petition of the Commissioners of the Poor at Halifax, for aid for the enlargement of the Poor House.
Also, the Petition of George Eastwood, praying aid for the establishment of a Manufactory of Woollen Cloths.
The said Petitions were ordered to lie on the Table.
- A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act, entitled, An Act to provide for the Accommodation and Billetting of His Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another, and also the Acts in amendment thereof,
Was read a second time.
Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.
- On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time, the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Committee had made some progress.
- A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly did not agree to the amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent the exportation of Oysters from Tracadie, in the County of Sydney.
The Messenger also brought up the following Bills and Resolutions:
A Bill, entitled, An Act for making regulations relative to the setting of Snares for catching Moose.
A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Collection of Poors' Rates of Pictou and Egerton.
A Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Property of Saint Matthew's Church or Congregation at Halifax.
- Resolved*, That the sum of Five Pounds granted in the last Session for repairing the Road from Murray's, on the Main Post Road to Pictou County Line; and also, the sum of Five Pounds granted during the same Session, for repairing the Road from Bailie's Brook to the County Line, Mountain Road, making in all Ten Pounds, now remaining in the Treasury undrawn, be appropriated and expended in repairing the Road from Angus McKinnon's, Bailie's Brook, to the County Line, and also repairing the Bridge at the Gusset.
- Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds granted in the Session of 1839, to repair the Road from Oliver Doucett's to Benouia Dugat's, in the County of Digby, and remaining undrawn, be appropriated and expended on the Cross Road on Jesse Oaks' Line, in the Township of Clare.
- Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to Edmund Crowell, to enable him to keep up his Establishment at the Seal Islands for the relief of Shipwrecked Mariners for the present year; and Twenty Pounds additional for the past year for the same purpose, omitted to be granted the last year.
- Resolved*, That the sum of Sixty Pounds be granted and paid to aid the Inhabitants in erecting a Beacon at the entrance of Guysborough Harbour.
- Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to W. Weeks, or any person who will run a Packet Boat between the Bay of Verte and Prince Edward Island, when it shall be made satisfactorily to appear to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, that such Packet Boat has been run agreeably

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agreeably to such regulations as may be established by the Justices in Sessions for the County of Cumberland.

Resolved, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted and paid to Stephen Knowlton, 10l. S. Knowlton, to aid him in the erection of an Oat Mill and Kiln at Advocate Harbor, agreeably to the Report of the Committee on Agriculture—to be drawn under the same restrictions and regulations as Grants for similar purposes have heretofore been drawn.

Resolved, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted and paid to Mark Killam, Road Commissioner, Yarmouth, being amount of Money lost in transmission to him by Mail, from the Treasury, agreeably to the prayer of his Petition. 10l. Mark Killam

Resolved, That the sum of Five Pounds be granted and paid to John H. Freeman, Esquire, for payment of expenses incurred by him, and as compensation for his services in making a seizure at Liverpool, pursuant to the Report of the Committee. 5l. J. H. Freeman

Resolved, That the sum of Twelve Pounds be granted and paid to Warren Gardner, being a return of Duties on Liquors lost at sea, agreeably to the Report of the Committee. 12l. W. Gardner

Resolved, That the sum of Nine Pounds be granted and paid to John G. Nelson, being a return of Duties on Liquors consumed by fire, agreeably to the Report of the Committee. 9l. J. G. Nelson

Resolved, That the sum of Eighteen Pounds and Five Shillings be granted and paid to John Stiles, being a return of Duties on Printing Apparatus, agreeably to the Report of the Committee. 18l. 5s. J. Stiles

Resolved, That the sum of Six Pounds and Ten Shillings be granted and paid to Arthur W. Godfrey, being a return of Duties on Printing Apparatus, agreeably to the Report of the Committee. 6l. 10s. A. W. Godfrey

Resolved, That the sum of Three Hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be drawn and paid to George Eastwood, whenever it shall be satisfactorily made appear to His Excellency that the said George Eastwood has established a Woollen Cloth Manufactory on the Sackville River, at the head of Bedford Basin; and that the same is completed and in full operation for Carding, Spinning, Weaving, Fulling, Dressing, and Coloring Cloths, and that at least one hundred yards of Pilot or other Broad Cloth have been manufactured therein. 300l. G. Eastwood

Resolved, That the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to assist the Indians in finishing their Chapel at Bras d'Or Lake, in Cape-Breton. 30l. Indian Chapel

Resolved, That the sum of Six Pounds and Ten Shillings be granted and paid to the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Parrsborough, to reimburse them certain expenses incurred in the support of a Transient Pauper, agreeably to the Report of the Committee. 6l. 10s. Overseers Poor Parrsboro'

Resolved, That the Sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to aid the inhabitants of Isle Madame in opening a passage between Little Arichat Harbour and Lennox Passage, in the County Richmond. 20l. to open Passage between Little Arichat and Lennox Passage

Resolved, That the sum of Ten Pounds each be granted and paid to such persons as shall respectively keep up a Ferry at the mouth of the Harbour of Port L'Herbert—provided a Boat be kept to convey Horses and Cattle across said Harbour—said sum to be paid upon the Certificate of the Court of Sessions in the County of Shelburne. 10l. each, Ferrymen at Port L'Herbert

Resolved, That that the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted to such person or persons as will run a proper Packet between Guysborough and Arichat, touching occasionally at Fox Island and Canso, under such regulations as shall be established by any Special Sessions of the Peace for the County of Guysborough, to be held for that purpose—to be paid upon the certificate of such Special Sessions, that such Packet has been properly kept and run during the present year: Provided, that the Judge or Judges of the Supreme Court shall be taken without charge, if required, from Guysborough to Arichat, and from Arichat to Guysborough, on their Circuit to Cape-Breton; and that the said Packet shall also carry the Mail, to be established between Guysborough and Arichat, if required. 50l. Guysborough Packet

To which Bills and Resolutions they desired the concurrence of this House.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly by Mr. Gray, with the following Resolutions:

Resolved,

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Division of Road
Money

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty-eight Thousand Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges, be applied as follows:

To be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor on the Great Roads, and for Contingencies

Roads in the County of Shelburne	£4000
Yarmouth.	1300
Digby	1300
Queen's	1200
Annapolis	1300
King's	1400
Hants	1800
Halifax	2000
Colchester	1400
Cumberland	1300
Pictou	1500
Sydney	1300
Guysborough	1300
Richmond	1300
Inverness	1400
Cape-Breton	1500
Lunenburg	1400

£28000

Sydney

Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand and Three Hundred Pounds appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Sydney for the present year, be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for that purpose.

Richmond

Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand and Three Hundred Pounds granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Richmond for the present year, be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for that purpose.

Inverness

Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand and Four Hundred Pounds granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Inverness for the present year, be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for that purpose.

Guysborough

Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand and Three Hundred Pounds appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Guysborough for the present year, be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for that purpose.

Cape-Breton

Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand and Five Hundred Pounds granted for the Road service in the County of Cape-Breton, be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to be expended as he shall direct.

Halifax

Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £2000, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Halifax.

Annapolis

Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £1300, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Annapolis.

Cumberland

Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £1300, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Cumberland.

Yarmouth

Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £1300, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Yarmouth.

Colchester

Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £1400, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Colchester.

Hants

Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £1800, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Hants.

Digby

Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £1300, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Digby.

Queen's

Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £1200, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in Queen's County.

Also,

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Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £1400, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Lunenburg.	Lunenburg
Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £1500, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Pictou.	Pictou
Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £1300, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Shelburne.	Shelburne
Also, a Resolution sub-dividing the sum of £1400, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in King's County.	King's
<i>Resolved</i> , That the sum of Three Thousand Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be expended on the following Great Roads, in manner following :	3000l. Great Roads
To open a section of the Road round the Cumberland Mountain	£800 0 0
To extend the Line of the Great Eastern Road between Musquedoboit and Guysborough	750 0 0
In aid of the Road from North-West Arm to Chester	500 0 0
In aid of Section of the Shore Road from Liverpool to Shelburne	450 0 0
Between M'Nab's, in the County of Richmond, and Currie's, in the County of Cape-Breton	500 0 0
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	£3000 0 0
<i>Resolved</i> , That the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to assist in building the Great Bridge over the East River at New Glasgow.	150l. New Glasgow Bridge
<i>Resolved</i> , That the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to aid in building a Bridge over the Narrows at Argyle, in the County of Yarmouth—and to repair the Road from Frost's to Joshua Porter's.	150l. Bridge over Narrows at Argyle
<i>Resolved</i> , That the sum of one Hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to repair the Great Military Road leading through Dalhousie—Fifty Pounds from Sherbrooke Settlement to Liverpool Cross, and Fifty Pounds from Liverpool Cross to James Whitman, Esquire's.	100l. Dalhousie Road
To which Resolutions they desired the concurrence of this House.	
On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 1 o'clock.	Adjourn

Thursday, 10th March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
George Smith,
Alexander Stewart,
William Rudolf,
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.
Robert M. Cutler,

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The Honorable Alexander Campbell,
James Ratchford,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
Daniel M'Farlane,
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for making regulations relative to the setting of Snares for catching Moose; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Collection of Poores' Rates of Pictou and Egerton; also,

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St. Matthew's
Church Bills
Read 1st time

A Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Property of Saint Matthew's Church or Congregation at Halifax,

Were read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bills be read a second time, at a future day.

Com. on Bills

On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Committee had made some progress.

Message from H.
A. agreeing to Mis-
demeanor Bill with-
out amend.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray,

To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent delay in the Administration of Justice, in cases of Misdemeanor, without any amendment.

Also, with the following Bills and Resolutions:

Highways and

A Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges.

Pilotage Sydney
Bills

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton, and to repeal certain Acts relative thereto.

50l. Parrsborough
Packet

Resolved, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to the Owners of the Packet running between Windsor and Partridge Island, to encourage the running of the said Packet between the said places, under such regulations as may be made and ordered by the Justices in their Sessions for the County of Hants, for the present year.

60l. Revenue Boat
Annapolis

Resolved, That the sum of Sixty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, for the purpose of continuing the Revenue Boat at the entrance of Annapolis River during the present year, under the direction of the Collector of Customs at Digby.

60l. do Sydney

Resolved, That the sum of Sixty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, to enable him to continue a suitable Revenue Boat at Sydney, Cape-Breton.

60l. do Basin of
Mines

Resolved, That the sum of Sixty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the purpose of placing a Revenue Boat in the Basin of Mines for the present year, under the direction of the Excise Officer at Windsor.

50l. do Pictou

Resolved, That the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the purpose of employing a Revenue Boat and Tide Waiters, or Boat-men, at Pictou, to aid in the protection of the Revenue, to be under the direction of the Collector of Excise at that Port.

200l. Mrs. Fair-
banks

Resolved unanimously, That the sum of Two Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to Mrs. Fairbanks, the widow of Charles Fairbanks, Esquire, late Master of the Rolls, towards the assistance and support of herself and children, being a proportion of the Salary of that Officer for the year in which he died.

444l. Acadia Col-
lege annually for 3
years

Resolved, That the sum of Four Hundred and Forty-four Pounds be granted and paid for the support of Acadia College, annually, for the next three years, on its being certified to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor that in each year twelve Youths of exemplary conduct and poor parentage have been educated at that Institution, if so many shall apply—one half of them to be nominated by the Lieutenant-Governor.

444l. St. Mary's
College do.

Resolved, That the sum of Four Hundred and Forty-four Pounds be granted and paid for the support of Saint Mary's College, annually, for the next three years, on its being certified to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor that in each year twelve Youths of exemplary conduct and poor parentage have been educated in that Institution, if so many shall apply—one half of them to be nominated by the Lieutenant-Governor.

400l. Dalhousie
College

Resolved, That the sum of Four Hundred Pounds, annually, be granted and paid for the support of Dalhousie College, for two years, from the 1st January, 1843, on its being certified to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor that in each year twelve Youths of exemplary conduct and poor parentage have been educated in that Institution.

Resolved,

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Resolved, That the sum of Sixty-three Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Five-pence Half-penny be placed in the hands of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to pay Michael Gordon, Esquire, for that sum expended by him in the over-expenditure for the repairs of the Bridge over the River Mussaquash.

697. 13s. 5d. Michl. Gordon over-expenditure Mussaquash Bridge

To which Bills and Resolutions they desired the concurrence of this House.

The two Bills were read a first time.

2 Bills read 1st time

Ordered, That the said Bills be read a second time, at a future day.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 1 o'clock.

Adjourn

Friday, 11th March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
George Smith,
Alexander Stewart,
William Rudolf,
Lewis M. Wilkins, Junr.
Robert M. Cutler,

The Honorable Alexander Campbell,
James Ratchford,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
Daniel M'Farlane,
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for making regulations relative to the setting of Snares for catching Moose; also,

Moose Snare

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Collection of Poores' Rates of Pictou and Egerton; also,

Poor Rates Pictou and Egerton

A Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges; also,

Highways and

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton, and to repeal certain Acts relative thereto,

Pilotage Sydney Bills

Were read a second time.

Read 2d time

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

And ordered to Com.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent the Exportation of Oysters from Tracadie, in the County of Sydney—which amendments have not been agreed to by the House of Assembly.

Amdts. to Tracadie Oyster Bill considered

The same being read—on motion, *resolved*, that the said amendments be adhered to.

And adhered to

The eighteen Resolutions dividing and sub-dividing the sum of £28,000, voted for the service of Roads and Bridges for the present year, were read,

Division and sub-division of Road Money Agreed to

And, on motion, *resolved*, that the said Resolutions be agreed to.

The following Resolutions for granting Money, viz :

£3000 additional for Great Roads.

Additional Road Votes

150 New Glasgow Bridge.

150 Bridge over Narrows at Argyle.

100 Dalhousie Road,

Were read; and,

On motion, *resolved*, that the said Resolutions be agreed to.

Agreed to

On

FRIDAY, 11th MARCH, 1842.

- Com. on Bills On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Committee had made some progress.
- Message from H.A. agreeing to am. to Disorderly Riding A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to the amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act to prevent Disorderly Riding, and to regulate the Driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, or other Towns, or on the Public Roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned.
- General Sessions And Aylesford Pier Co. Bills Also, to a Bill, entitled, An Act to alter the Sittings of the General Sessions of the Peace for the several Counties therein mentioned.
Also, to a Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Aylesford Pier Company.
The Messenger also brought up the following Resolutions:
101. J. J. Sawyer *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted and paid to John James Sawyer, Esq., High Sheriff for the County of Halifax, for his expenses as such Sheriff at the opening and closing of the present Session of the General Assembly.
601. Stationary for H. A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty Pounds be granted and paid to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, to defray the expense of Stationary and Binding of the Journals and Laws for the House of Assembly during the present Session.
101. each Chairmen of H. A. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds each be granted and paid to the two Chairmen of the Committee on Bills and of Supply, for their services for the present Session.
1001. each Clerks of Assembly *Resolved*, That the sum of One Hundred Pounds each be granted and paid to the Clerk and Clerk Assistant of the House of Assembly, for their extra services during the present Session.
9201. Contingencies of H. A. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two Hundred and Twenty Pounds, be granted to defray the expense of extra Messengers, and other services and articles for the House of Assembly, and for Fuel, according to estimate—the said sum to be drawn and applied by the Clerk of the House of Assembly, under the sanction of the Speaker.
151. Books, &c. for H. A. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Honorable the Speaker, to procure various Works and Publications necessary for conducting the business of the House of Assembly.
7891. 7s. 1d. and 7081. 4s. 8d. expences of Council Sessions of 1841 & 1842 *Resolved*, That the sum of Seven Hundred and Eighty-three Pounds Seven Shillings and One Penny be granted and paid to defray the expenses of the Legislative Council in the last Session of the General Assembly; and the further sum of Seven Hundred and Eight Pounds Four Shillings and Eight-pence for the same purpose, for the present year.
91. 10s. each Clerks of the Peace *Resolved*, That such sum be granted and paid to the Secretary of the Province as will enable him to pay Three Pounds and Ten Shillings to each of the Clerks of the Peace within this Province to whom His Excellency directed Road Commissions and Bonds in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-one.
18001. Revenue Cutters *Resolved*, That the sum of One Thousand and Eight Hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to continue the service of the three Revenue Cutters on the Coast of Nova-Scotia, as heretofore.
- £264 0s. 9d. over-expenditure of Revenue Cutters *Resolved*, That the sum of Two Hundred and Sixty-four Pounds and Nine-pence be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to defray the over-expenditure for maintaining the Revenue Cutters last year.
501. Rev. O. S. Weeks *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to the Reverend Otto S. Weeks, pursuant to the Report of the Committee on Education.
521. 10s. T. O'Brien *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifty-two Pounds and Ten Shillings be granted and paid to Timothy O'Brien, pursuant to the Report of the Committee on Education.
451. W. Ayre *Resolved*, That the sum of Forty-five Pounds be granted and paid to William Ayre, pursuant to the Report of the Committee on Education.
2991. purchase of Horse *Resolved*, That the sum of Two Hundred and Ninety-nine Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be applied in the purchase of a Horse from the United States of the breed known by the name of the Bell Founder Morgan Horse.
- Resolved*,

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And ord. to Com.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a future day.

Com. on Bills

On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time, the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Committee had made some progress.

Report Progress

Adjourn

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until Monday, at 1 o'clock.

Monday, 14th March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
Alexander Stewart,
William Rudolf,
Robert M. Cutler,
Alexander Campbell,

The Honorable James Ratchford,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
Daniel M'Farlane,
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of Saturday were read.

Firewards Yar-
mouth Bill presented

Mr. Bond presented a Bill, entitled, An Act to extend to the Town of Yarmouth certain provisions of the Act to continue the Act to repeal the Act to amend the Acts respecting Firewards and Fires in Halifax, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof and additional thereto.

And read 1st time

The said Bill was read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time, at a future day.

Com. on Bills

On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Committee had made some progress.

Report Probate Bill
with am.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Courts of Probate, and to the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of Intestates, and had made several amendments thereto.

Am. read

The said amendments were read by the Clerk, as follows:

5th Clause—leave out this Clause.

7th Clause—leave out this Clause.

15th Clause—2d and 3d lines—leave out the words “or the granting of Administration to any Debtor of any Intestate.”

4th line—leave out the words “or Intestate.”

6th line—leave out the words “or Administrator.”

16th Clause—12th line—after the word “been” insert “lawfully;” leave out “Country or;” leave out the words “had dwelt,” and insert instead thereof the words “was last domiciled out of this Province, as aforesaid.”

13th line—after the word “was” insert “there.”

19th Clause—18th line—after the word “issue” leave out the remainder of the words in that and the 19th and 20th lines, and insert instead the following words—“and there be no Widow the whole of his Real Estate shall go to the Father, but if there be a Widow the whole shall go to the Widow for her life, and after her death to the Father of the Intestate.”

21st and 22d lines—leave out the words “one half his Real Estate, if there be a Widow, and if not,” and insert, instead thereof, “nor Widow.”

25th line—before the word “Father” insert “Widow.”

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23d Clause—24th line—after the word "claim" insert the words "as any other Creditor."

24th Clause—at the end of this Clause insert the following Proviso :

Provided always, that, in case of a Will, all and every the Devisee or Devisees, Legatee or Legatees, named in the same, shall, in order to the appointment of the right and interest of such posthumous child, abate proportionably of their respective devises and bequests; and the share of such posthumous child shall be set out and assigned by the Court of Probate, in such manner as shall affect as little as possible the disposition of property real and personal, made by the Testator in his Will.

28th Clause—at the end of this Clause insert the following Proviso :

Provided, that all Actions or Suits, now pending, shall be decided as if this enactment had not been made.

29th Clause—2d line—after the word "charge" insert the words "or valuation."

39th Clause—4th line—leave out all the words from the word "that" to the word "shall." in the 7th line, and insert instead the words "hereafter all Judges of Probate."

40th Clause—15th line—after the word "jurisdiction" insert the following Proviso :

Provided always, that when such Estate shall be so settled the Judge of Probate for such adjoining County shall transmit to the Court of Probate of the County where the deceased last dwelt, a certified copy, under his hand and the seal of his Court, of his proceedings in the settlement of such Estate,—which proceedings shall be entered and recorded in the Books of Registry of the Court of Probate for the County wherein the deceased died.

42d Clause—1st line—leave out the words "passing of," and insert the words "time when."

2d line—after the word "Act" insert the words "shall come into operation."

44th Clause—5th and 13th lines—after the word "sufficient" insert the words "and disinterested."

52d Clause—10th line—after the word "Administrator" insert the following Proviso :

Provided, that on the Petition of any Creditor of, or person interested in, any such Insolvent Estate, it shall be lawful for the said Judge to proceed to adjust the claims of all parties interested therein, and to settle the said Estate.

11th line—after the word "provided" insert "also."

63d Clause—4th and 5th lines—leave out the words "in the said Supreme Court."

7th line—leave out the word "Supreme."

8th line—leave out the words "as in personal Actions pending in that Court."

64th Clause—2d line—after the word "which" insert "such."

And the said amendments being read a second time were agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at a future day.

Agreed to

Mr. Johnston presented a Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the repairing of Houses of Public Worship; also,

Houses of Pub. Worship &

A Bill, entitled, An Act additional to the Act for amending the Law relative to Offences against the Person.

Offences against Person Bill presented

The said Bills were read a first time,

And read 1st time

Ordered, That the said Bills be read a second time, at a future day.

The following Resolutions for granting Money, viz :

Money Votes

£5 0 0 Alpheus Morse.

15 0 0 Daniel Durland.

15 0 0 Reuben Nickerson.

15 0 2 Honble. George Smith.

10 0 0 John McKay.

10 0 0 Each, Ferryman near Shubenacadie River.

2 5 0 Wm. P. Moffat.

217 17 4 James B. Hadley.

794 9 7 Messrs. John Howe & Son, Printing.

200 0 0 Pocohontas Steamer.

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£63	0	0	Criminal Prosecution at Arichat.
2	5	10	James C. Betts.
197	15	5	Expence of Small Pox, Pictou.
72	9	8	Waterloo Hospital.
743	5	0	Vaccination.
22	15	6	George W. Potter's expences.
15	15	4	Doctor Hoffman.
27	15	0	Overseers of Poor, Argyle.
4	10	0	Jonathan Borden.
20	0	0	Francis Hooper.
205	7	8	Expences of 'Transient Paupers.
20	0	0	Mark Terfry.
26	0	0	Patrick Flyn and others.
42	0	0	Increase of allowance to Mail Couriers.
65	0	0	Establishing new Mail Routes.
200	0	0	Annually, for three years, to James Whitney.
20	0	0	Lemuel Morehouse.
550	0	0	Balances due to Mail Couriers.
609	3	1	Expences of Shipwrecked Mariners.
25	0	0	Everett's Pier.
100	0	0	Pier at Givan's Cove.
53	11	8	Arisaig Pier.
100	0	0	Pier at Saulnier's Cove.
100	0	0	Wilmot Pier.
166	0	0	Pier at Montagan Cove.
100	0	0	Hall's Harbour Pier.
100	0	0	Margaretville Pier.
100	0	0	Canady Creek Pier.
60	0	0	Pier at Montagan River.
25	0	0	Joey H. Metzler.
661	18	5	Commissioners of Public Buildings.
25	0	0	Lunenburg Block House.
50	0	0	Peter Hume.
300	0	0	Indians.
406	17	9	Excess of Duties.
600	0	0	Transient Poor.
80	0	0	Adjutant
40	0	0	Quarter Master
			} General of Militia.
400	0	0	Sable Island.
20	0	0	Douglas and Londonderry Ferry.
20	0	0	Ferry at M'Millan's Point, Gut of Canso.
15	0	0	La Have Ferry.
10	0	0	Cornelius Craig.
10	0	0	Richard Carter.
10	0	0	Ferryman on East side of the Gut of Canso.
40	0	0	Female Teacher in the African School.
100	0	0	Methodist School.
25	0	0	Poor House School.
50	0	0	Infant School Halifax.
50	0	0	Halifax Dispensary.
100	0	0	Rev. Mr. Uniacke's School.
10	0	0	Change of Appropriation, Road in Pictou.
10	0	0	" " " Digby.
40	0	0	Edmund Crowell.

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£60	0	0	Beacon at Guysborough.
20	0	0	Bay of Verte Packet.
50	0	0	Guysborough Packet.
10	0	0	Stephen Knowlton.
10	0	0	Mark Killam.
5	0	0	John H. Freeman.
12	0	0	Warren Gardner.
9	0	0	John G. Nelson.
18	5	0	John Styles.
6	10	0	A. W. Godfrey.
300	0	0	George Eastwood.
30	0	0	Indian Chapel.
6	10	0	Commissioners of Poor, Parrsborough.
20	0	0	To open passage between Little Arichat Harbour and Lennox Passage.
10	0	0	Ferryman across Port LeHerbert.
50	0	0	Parrsborough Packet.
60	0	0	Revenue Boat, Annapolis.
60	0	0	“ Sydney.
60	0	0	“ Basin of Mines.
30	0	0	“ Pictou.
200	0	0	Mrs. Fairbanks.
444	0	0	Annually, for three years, to Acadia College.
444	0	0	“ “ St. Mary's College.
400	0	0	“ two years, to Dalhousie College.
63	13	5½	Michael Gordon, over-expenditure on Mussaquash Bridge.
10	0	0	J. J. Sawyer.
60	0	0	Stationary for House of Assembly.
10	0	0	Each, Chairmen of H. A.
100	0	0	Each, Clerks of H. A.
220	0	0	Contingencies of H. A.
15	0	0	Books for H. A.
783	7	1	} Contingencies of Council, 1841 & 1842.
708	4	8	
3	10	0	Each of the Clerks of the Peace.
1800	0	0	Revenue Cutters.
264	0	9	Over-expenditure on Revenue Cutters.
50	0	0	Rev. Otto S. Weeks.
52	10	0	Timothy O'Brien.
45	0	0	William Ayre.
299	0	0	Purchase of Horse.
38	2	6	Valuation of Road between Keys' and Polley's.
46	10	0	Hon. George Smith.
25	0	0	Infant School, Pictou.

Were read, and the question was put by the President on each Resolution,
Whether this Resolution be agreed to?
It was resolved in the affirmative.

Agreed to

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, with the following Bills:

A Bill, entitled, An Act relative to Public Exhibitions.	Public Exhibitions
A Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent illegal overholding and Detainer of Real Estate.	Overholding Real Estate
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce, and Fisheries thereof.	Duties of Impost
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties.	Regulation of Duties

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of Probate shall appoint another Executor, who shall be as fully authorized to proceed with the settlement of the Estate as the Executor whose authority has been cancelled by the Court of Chancery as aforesaid.

Then the question was put by the President,
Whether this Bill, with the amendments, shall Pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Dissentient Mr. Uniacke.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same with amendments—to which amendments their concurrence is desired.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To return the one hundred and five Resolutions for granting Money, agreed to yesterday, and to acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, without any amendment.

Mr. Tobin, the Chairman of the Committee to whom the Revenue Bills were referred, made his Report.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend to the Town of Yarmouth certain provisions of the Act to amend the Acts respecting Firewards and Fires in Halifax, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the repairing of Houses of Public Worship; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act additional to the Act for amending the Law relative to Offences against the Person; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act relative to Public Exhibitions; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent illegal overholding and detainer of Real Estate; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce, and Fisheries thereof; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act concerning Goods exported, and for granting Drawbacks; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts for the prevention of Smuggling; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for the Warehousing of Goods; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for regulating the Importation of Goods; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, and the Act to alter the same; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, and for Sales by Auction, in Halifax, and the Act to alter the same; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to revive and continue the Act for the support and regulation of Light Houses,

Were read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House at a future time.

Ordered, That Mr. Cutler have leave of absence to return home on urgent private Business.

Ordered, That Mr. Tobin have leave of absence on urgent private business.

On motion, resolved, that a Conference be desired with the House of Assembly, by Committee, on the General State of the Province; and that the Committee of this House do communicate to the Committee of the House of Assembly that the additional Duty on Pork

Bill agreed to and

Sent to H. A.

Money Votes sent to H. A.

Committee on Revenue Bills report

Firewards Yarmouth

Houses of Public Worship
Offences against Person

Public Exhibitions

Illegal overholding

Colonial Duties

Regulation of Duties

Drawbacks

Smuggling

Warehousing

Importation

Licenses

Licenses Halifax and

Light Houses Bills

Read 2d time

And ordered to Committee

Leave of absence to Mr. Cutler

Leave of absence to Mr. Tobin

Conference on General State of Province relative to increased duty on Pork in Colonial Duties Bill

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Pork imposed by the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce, and Fisheries thereof, is deemed by this House inexpedient—First, because the object sought will not be attained, as the results of the last years collection fully exhibit—Secondly, because, in the present depressed state of the Fisheries of the Province, it will operate injuriously to the interests of a numerous body of our Population, who ought to be fostered and protected—Thirdly, that as the duty has reference wholly to Pork imported from Canada, retaliatory measures may be adopted there, by which our extensive exports to that Colony may be subjected to similar burthens.

Conference asked. A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk, to desire the said Conference.

Agreed to. A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to the Conference desired by this House.

Committee. *Ordered*, That Mr. Tobin, Mr. Bell and Mr. Campbell, be a Committee of this House, to manage the said Conference.

Report. And the Managers went to the Conference, and being returned, Mr. Tobin reported that the Committee had held the said Conference, and that he had communicated his instructions to the Committee of the House of Assembly.

Standing Order suspended. On motion, *resolved unanimously*, that the Standing Order of this House, number 72, relative to Bills not being read or proceeded in twice in the same day, be suspended with regard to the Bills now before the House.

Committee on Bills. On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Committee had made some progress.

Report. The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through

Teachers of Schools. A Bill, entitled, An Act respecting Teachers of Schools ; also,

Firewards Yarmouth. A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend to the Town of Yarmouth, certain provisions of the Act to continue the Act to repeal the Act to amend the Acts respecting Firewards and Fires in Halifax, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof, and additional thereto ; also,

Houses of Public Worship and Offences against Person Bills. A Bill entitled, An Act relating to the repairing of Houses of Public Worship ; also, A Bill, entitled, An Act additional to the Act for amending the Law relative to Offences against the Person,

Without amendt. And had agreed to the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bills be engrossed, and read a third time, at a future day.

Report. The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through

Trials before J. P. A Bill, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions before Justices of the Peace ; also,

Sessions House Bridgetown. A Bill, entitled, An Act to establish a Sessions House and Lock-up House at Bridgetown, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned ; also,

Lock-up House Chester. A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide a Lock-up House and Town House at Chester ; also,

Billeting Troops. A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act, entitled, An Act to provide for the Accommodation and Billeting of His Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another, and also the Acts in amendment thereof ; also,

Poors' Rates Pictou &c. A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Collection of Poors' Rates of Pictou and Egerton ; also,

Pilotage Sydney. A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton, and to repeal certain Acts relative thereto ; also,

Public Exhibitions. A Bill, entitled, An Act relative to Public Exhibitions ; also,

Regulation of Duties. A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the General Regulation of the Colonial Duties ; also,

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A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act concerning Goods exported and for granting Drawbacks; also,	Drawbacks
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts for the prevention of Smuggling; also,	Smuggling
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for the Warehousing of Goods; also,	Warehousing
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for regulating the Importation of Goods; also,	Importation
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, and the Act to alter the same; also,	Licenses
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, and for Sales by Auction, in Halifax, and the Act to alter the same; also,	Licenses Halifax
A Bill, entitled, An Act to revive and continue the Acts for the support and regulation of Light Houses,	Light Houses Bills
And had agreed to the same without any amendment.	Without amendt.
<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Bills be read a third time, at a future day.	
The Chairman also reported that the Committee had had again under their consideration a Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Presbyterian Burial Ground at Dartmouth, and had further amended the last amendment formerly made, by striking out the words "of every," in the last line, and inserting instead thereof the words "except those," and by adding at the end of the said amendment the following words "of Christians who have Burial Grounds attached to their respective places of Worship."	Report Dartmouth Cemetery Bill with further amendt.
Which amendments being read twice by the Clerk, were agreed to by the House.	Amendts. agreed to
The Chairman also reported, that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act in amendment of the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges, and had made several amendments thereto.	Report Highways Bill with amendts.
The said amendments were read by the Clerk, as follows:	Amndts. read
In the Title—1st & 2d lines—leave out the words "and amend."	
1st Clause—8th & 9th lines—leave out the words "except as hereinafter amended."	
2d Clause—leave out this Clause.	
3d Clause—leave out this Clause.	
And the said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to by the House.	And agreed to
<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Bill be read a third time at a future day.	
The Chairman also reported, that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges, and had made several amendments thereto.	Report Bill in addition to Highways Bill with amendts.
The said amendments were read by the Clerk as follows:	Amendts. read
2d Clause—13th line—after the word "Canso" insert the words "the road from Guysborough to Canso.	
29th line—after the word "Digby" insert the following words: "the road laid out by Elder, under the orders of the Governor and Council, from the Basin of Mines to Bridgetown."	
And the said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to by the House.	And agreed to
<i>Ordered</i> , That the said Bill be read a third time at a future day.	
The Chairman also reported, that the Committee had had under consideration a Bill, entitled, An Act for making regulations relative to the setting of Snares for catching Moose—and that he was directed to report, that it was the opinion of the Committee, that the further consideration of the said Bill should be deferred to this day three months.	Recommend Moose Bill to be deferred three months
<i>Ordered</i> , The said Report be received, and the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months.	Bill deferred three months
On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendment proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Public Cemetery in the Town of Yarmouth, and for other purposes—which amendment has not been agreed to by the House of Assembly.	Amendt. to Yarmouth Cemetery Bill
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- A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts for the prevention of Smuggling; also, Smuggling
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for the Warehousing of Goods; Warehousing
 also,
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for regulating the Importation of Importation
 Goods; also,
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties on Licenses Licenses
 for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, and the Act to alter the same; also,
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale Licenses Halifax
 of Spirituous Liquors, and for Sales by Auction in Halifax, and the Act to alter the same;
 also,
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to revive and continue the Acts for the support and regulation of and Light Houses
 Light Houses, Bills
 Were a third time, and the question was put by the President on each Bill, Read 3d time
 Whether this Bill shall pass? Agreed to and
 It was resolved in the affirmative. Sent to H. A.
 A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,
 To return the said Bills, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same with-
 out any amendment.
- A Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Presbyterian Burial Ground at Dartmouth; also, Burial Ground
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act in amendment of the Act relating Dartmouth
 to Highways, Roads and Bridges; also, Highways and
 A Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, the Act relating to Highways, Highways Bill
 Roads and Bridges, Roads and Bridges,
 Were read a third time, and the question was put by the President on each Bill, Read 3d time
 Whether this Bill, with the amendments, shall pass? Agreed to and
 It was resolved in the Affirmative. Sent to H. A.
 A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,
 To return the said Bills, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, with
 amendments—to which amendments their concurrence is desired.
- A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, with the following
 Bills:
- A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Acts for the encouragement of Schools. Schools
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Pilotage Halifax
 Port of Halifax, and the several Acts in amendment thereof and additional thereto.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act to revive the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread and
 Bread.
 A Bill, entitled, An Act for regulating a certain Fishery in Hillsburgh, in the County of Hillsburgh Fishery
 Digby, Bills
 To which Bills they desired the concurrence of this House.
 The said Bills were read a first time. Read 1st time
Ordered, That the three first Bills be read a second time at a future day.
Ordered, That the fourth Bill be referred to the Law Clerk to examine and report upon.
- On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Committee on Bills
 Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Com- Report progress
 mittee had made some progress.
- A Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and amend the Act to Incorporate the Town of Halifax, Halifax Incorporation
 Was read a second time. Bill
Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at a fu- Read 2d time
 ture day. And ordered to
 Committee
- A Message was brought from the House of Assembly by Mr. Gray, with the following
 Resolutions:
Resolved, That the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Reporters of £100 Reporters
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of the Debates and Proceedings of the Legislature, for their services during the present Session, in the following proportions, that is to say—Forty Pounds to John S. Thompson—Forty Pounds to John H. Crosskill—and Twenty Pounds to John Chamberlain.

Resolved, That the sum of Twelve Pounds and Ten Shillings be granted and paid to Henry G. Hill, for Plans of the Province Building, prepared by the order of a Committee of the House of Assembly.

Resolved, That the sum of Twelve Pounds Eight Shillings and Eight-pence expended for Postage, and Fifteen Pounds for Printing Regulations and Abstracts, for the information of Commissioners and Teachers of Schools, be granted and paid to Beamish Murdoch, Esquire, Secretary of the Central Board of Education.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Five Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Commissioners of Public Buildings, to enable them to provide Furniture for the Public Rooms of Government House, agreeably to the Report of the Committee.

Resolved, That it shall and may be lawful for the Trustees appointed for an Academy in the County of Inverness, to apply the sum of One Hundred Pounds allowed for said Academy in the present year in aid of the subscription for erecting a suitable Building at Port Hood—such subscription to amount to One Hundred Pounds.

To which Resolutions they desired the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time, and by order, the same were read a second time, and the question was put by the President on each Resolution,

Whether this Resolution be agreed to?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To return the said Resolutions, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, without any amendment.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 1 o'clock.

Thursday, 17th March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

<p>The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke, James W. Johnston, William Lawson, Alexander Stewart, William Rudolf, Robert M. Cutler,</p>	<p><i>Quorum</i></p>	<p>The Honorable S. B. Robie, President. The Honorable Alexander Campbell, James Ratchford, James Bond, Michael Tobin, Jun. John Morton, Hugh Bell.</p>
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PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *ordered*, that the 55th, 56th, 60th, 68th, 69th and 71st Standing Orders of this House be published in the Royal Gazette, and continued for three months; and that two copies of the Gazette be sent to the Clerks of the Peace in every County, to be made public, in order that all persons may have notice thereof.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to all the amendments of this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Courts of Probate, and to the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates, except the ninth and tenth amendments.

Also, that the House of Assembly agreed to all the amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Presbyterian Burial Ground at Dartmouth.

The Messenger also informed the House that the House of Assembly did not agree to the amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act in amendment of the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges.

The

£12 10 H. G. Hill

£27 8 8 Secretary of Central Board of Education

£500 Commissioners Public Buildings for Furniture of Government House

£100 Academy at Inverness

Read 1st and 2d time

Agreed to and

Sent to H. A.

Adjourn

Standing Orders to be published

Message from H. A. agreeing to some and not other amendments. to Probate Bill

Agreeing to amend. to Dartmouth Common Bill

Not agreeing to amend. to Highways Bill

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The Messenger also informed the House that the House of Assembly did not consider the amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges, as the same affect and relate to appropriations and grants of Money.

Not consider amdt. in addition to Highways Bill

The Messenger also brought up the following Resolution :

The Trustees of Sydney Academy having raised Two Hundred Pounds, and contracted for the erection of an Academy or School House in the Town of Sydney, *resolved*, that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be authorized to grant a Warrant for the payment of the sum of Two Hundred Pounds, granted for that object in the year 1831, and not yet drawn from the Treasury, on its being certified to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's satisfaction, that the said Trustees have expended £200 in promoting the above object.

£200 change of Appropriation Sydney Academy

To which Resolution they desired the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolution was read a first time, and, by order, the said Resolution was read a second time, and the question was put by the President,

Read 1st and 2d time

Whether this Resolution be agreed to ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Agreed to and

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,

To return the said Resolution, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same without any amendment.

Sent to H. A.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act in amendment of the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges—which amendments have not been agreed to by the House of Assembly.

Amendts. to Highways Bill considered and

The said amendments were read, and

On motion, *resolved*, that the said amendments be adhered to.

Adhered to

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House adhere to their amendments to the said Bill.

And Bill sent to H. A.

A Bill, now entitled, An Act for establishing a Public Burial Ground at Dartmouth, Was read as amended, and the question was put by the President,

Burial Ground Dartmouth Bill

Whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Finally agreed to

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To return the said Bill, and acquaint them therewith.

And sent to H. A.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges,—which amendments have not been considered by the House of Assembly.

Amendts. to addition to Highways Bill considered

On motion, *resolved*, that although this House have a right to propose the amendments to the said Bill, which the House of Assembly have declined considering, yet this House will not adhere to the same, but agree to the said Bill without such amendments ; but this assent thereto not to be drawn into precedent.

Resolution not adhering to amendts.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House do not adhere to the amendments proposed by them to the said Bill, but agree to the same as originally sent up.

Bill sent to H. A.

Mr. Johnston presented a Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the different Collegiate Institutions in Nova-Scotia to unite in forming one University.

University Bill presented and

The said Bill was read a first time.

Read 1st time

Ordered, That the said Bill be published for four weeks in the Royal Gazette Newspaper, for the information of the Public.

And ordered to be published

On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills

Committee on Bills

THURSDAY, 17th MARCH, 1842.

- Bills.**—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Committee had made some progress.
- Recommend illegal over-holding Bill to be deferred three months** The Chairman also reported that the Committee had had under consideration a Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent illegal overholding and detainer of Real Estate, and had directed him to report that it was the opinion of the Committee that the further consideration of the said Bill should be deferred to this day three months.
- Bill deferred** *Ordered*, That the said Report be received, and the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months.
- Report Colonial Duties Bill without amendt.** The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce, and Fisheries thereof, and had agreed to the same without any amendment.
- Motion to re-commit Bill** Whereupon Mr. Lawson moved that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amending the second Clause, by leaving out that part of the Clause which imposes an additional duty upon Pork: which, being seconded, and the question being put, there appeared, for the motion, five; against the motion, seven.
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| For the motion, | Against the motion, |
| Mr. Uniacke, | Mr. Rudolf, |
| Cutler, | Mr. Bond, |
| Lawson, | Morton, |
| Campbell, | Johnston, |
| Tobin, | Stewart. |
| | Ratchford, |
| | Bell, |
- Negatived** So it passed in the negative.
- Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third time at a future day.
- Message from H. A. agreeing to Teachers of Schools Bill without amendt.** A Message was brought from the House of Assembly by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act respecting Teachers of Schools, without any amendment.
- And to offences against the Person Bill with amendt.** And that they agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act additional to the Act for amending the Law relative to Offences against the Person, with an amendment—to which amendment they desired the concurrence of this House.
- A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, with the following Bill and Resolutions:
- Appropriation Bill** A Bill, entitled, An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-two, and for other purposes.
- Bounty on Chocolate** *Resolved*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be authorized to request to allow and pay to the Manufacturers of Chocolate, until the next Session of the provincial Legislature, such sum as shall be equal to Three Shillings for every Hundred Pounds thereof that shall be manufactured in this Province, and proved, to the satisfaction of His Excellency, to have been exported therefrom, and this House will, at its next Session, provide for the same.
- Drawback of Duty on Pork** *Resolved*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be authorized to direct the Collectors of Impost throughout the Province to remit the duties imposed by any Act of the present Session upon Pork imported or brought into this Province from the British Possessions in America, except New Brunswick and Prince Edward's Island, to the extent of Two Shillings and Nine-Pence Sterling per Hundred weight, and that this House will provide for the same by Law in its next Session.
- To which Bill and Resolutions they desired the concurrence of this House.
- Bill read 1st time** The said Bill was read a first time.
- Ref. to Sel. Com.** *Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon.
- Committee Resolutions read 1st and 2d time** *Ordered*, That Mr. Rudolf, Mr. Morton and Mr. Bell, be a Committee for that purpose. The said Resolutions were read a first time, and, by order, the same were read a second time, and the question was put by the President on each,

Whether

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Whether this Resolution be agreed to?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Agreed to and

Dissentient—Mr. Morton.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To return the said Resolutions, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, without any amendment.

Sent to H. A.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the ninth and tenth amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Courts of Probate, and to the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of deceased persons—which amendments have not been agreed to by the House of Assembly.

9th and 10th amds. to Probate Bill

And the same being read,

On motion, *resolved*, that the said amendments be not adhered to.

Not adhered to

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House do not adhere to the ninth and tenth amendments proposed by them to the said Bill.

Bill sent to H. A.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 12 o'clock.

Adjourn

Friday, 18th March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
Alexander Stewart,
William Rudolf,
Alexander Campbell,

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The Honorable James Ratchford,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Junr.
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce, and Fisheries thereof,

Colonial Duties Bill

Was read a third time, and the question was put by the President,

Whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Dissentient—

Firstly—Because it contains a provision for imposing a Duty upon Pork imported from Canada, which may induce the adoption of retaliatory measures by that Colony.

Secondly—Because the House of Assembly, by the Resolution directing that the said Duty shall nevertheless not be collected, have shewn that upon mature deliberation they concur with the Legislative Council in regarding the imposition of the said Duty improper.

Thirdly—Because however difficult it may be to abolish protective imports, after they have become extensively incorporated with the political, commercial, and social condition of a community, it is now universally admitted that to introduce the protective system is most unwise and impolitic.

Read 3d time

Agreed to

Dissent, with reasons

WILLIAM LAWSON.

A. CAMPBELL.

MICHAEL TOBIN, Junr.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,

To

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- And sent to H. A. To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same without any amendment.
- Committee on Appropriation Bill report Mr. Rudolf, the Chairman of the Committee to whom a Bill, entitled, An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-two, and for other purposes, was referred, reported that the Committee had examined the said Bill, and found it correct.
- Standing Order suspended *Resolved unanimously*, That the Standing Order of this House, number 72, relative to Bills not being read or proceeded in twice in the same day, be suspended, with regard to the said Bill.
- Bill read 2d and 3d time Whereupon the said Bill was read a second and a third time, and the question was put by the President,
- Agreed to and Whether this Bill shall pass?
It was resolved in the affirmative.
- Sent to H. A. A message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,
To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same without any amendment.
- Amendt. of H. A. to Offences against the Person Bill considered The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendment proposed by the House of Assembly to a Bill, entitled, An Act additional to the Act for amending the Law relative to Offences against the Person.
- Amendt. read The said amendment was read by the Clerk, as follows :—
At the end of the Bill add the following enacting Clause :
And be it enacted, That this Act shall continue and be in force for three years from the passing thereof, and from thence to the end of the then next Session of the General Assembly.
- And not agreed to And the said amendment being read a second and third time, it was resolved that the said amendment be not agreed to.
- And sent to H. A. A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,
To carry down the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House do not agree to their amendment to the said Bill.
- Schools A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Acts for the encouragement of Schools ; also,
Pilotage, Halifax and A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Halifax, and the several Acts in amendment thereof, and additional thereto ; also,
Bread Bills A Bill, entitled, An Act to revive the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread,
Read 2d time and Were read a second time.
Ordered to Com. *Ordered*, That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House at a future time.
- Hillsburgh Fishery Bill A Bill, entitled, An Act for regulating a certain Fishery in Hillsburgh, in the County of Digby,
Read 2d time and Was read a second time.
Deferred 3 months On motion, *resolved*, that the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months.
- Standing Order suspended *Resolved unanimously*, That the Standing Order of this House, number 72, relative to Bills not being read or proceeded in twice in the same day, be suspended, respecting the Bills now before the House.
- Com. on Bills On motion, the House was adjourned, during pleasure, and put into a Committee on Bills.—After some time the House was resumed, and Mr. Rudolf reported that the Committee had made some progress.
- Report School and The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Acts for the encouragement of Schools ; also,

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<p>A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Halifax, and the several Acts in amendment thereof, and additional thereto, And had agreed to the same without any amendment.</p>	<p>Pilotage Halifax Bills Without amendt.</p>
<p><i>Ordered,</i> That the said Bills be read a third time presently. The said Bills were read a third time, and the question was put by the President on each,</p>	<p>Bills read 3 time</p>
<p>Whether this Bill shall pass? It was resolved in the affirmative.</p>	<p>Agreed to and</p>
<p>A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk, To return the said Bills, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, without any amendment.</p>	<p>Sent to H. A.</p>
<p>The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and amend the Act to Incorporate the Town of Halifax, and had made several amendments thereto.</p>	<p>Report Halifax Incorporation Bill with amendt.</p>
<p>The said amendments were read by the Clerk as follows :</p>	
<p>Leave out the 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, and 19th Clauses.</p>	<p>Amendt. read</p>
<p>At the end of the Bill insert the following Clause :</p>	
<p><i>And be it enacted,</i> That this Act shall continue and be in force for one year, and from thence to the end of the then next Session of the General Assembly.</p>	
<p>And the said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to by the House.</p>	<p>And agreed to</p>
<p><i>Ordered,</i> That the said Bill be read a third time presently.</p>	<p>Bill read 3d time</p>
<p>The said Bill was read a third time, and the question was put by the President,</p>	
<p>Whether this Bill, with the amendments, shall pass ?</p>	
<p>It was resolved in the affirmative.</p>	<p>Agreed to and</p>
<p>A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,</p>	<p>Sent to H. A.</p>
<p>To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, with amendments—to which amendments their concurrence is desired.</p>	
<p>The Chairman also reported that the Committee had gone through a Bill, entitled, An Act to revive the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread, and had made an amendment thereto.</p>	<p>Report Assize of Bread Bill with amendt.</p>
<p>The said amendment was read by the Clerk as follows :</p>	<p>Amendt. read and</p>
<p>At the end of the Bill insert the following Clause :</p>	
<p><i>And be it enacted,</i> That this Act shall continue and be in force for one year, and from thence to the end of the then next Session of the General Assembly.</p>	
<p>And the said amendment being read a second time, was agreed to by the House.</p>	<p>Agreed to</p>
<p><i>Ordered,</i> That the said Bill be read a third time presently.</p>	<p>Bill read 3d time</p>
<p>The said Bill was read a third time, and the question was put by the President,</p>	
<p>Whether this Bill, with the amendment, shall pass ?</p>	
<p>It was resolved in the affirmative.</p>	<p>Agreed to and</p>
<p>A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk,</p>	<p>Sent to H. A.</p>
<p>To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same, with an amendment—to which amendment their concurrence is desired.</p>	
<p>A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray,</p>	<p>Message from H. A.</p>
<p>To inform the House that the House of Assembly did not adhere to their amendment to a Bill, entitled, An Act additional to the Act for amending the Law relative to Offences against the Person, but agreed to the said Bill as originally sent down.</p>	<p>not adhering to amendt. to Offences against the Person Bill</p>
<p>The Messenger also informed the House that the House of Assembly agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Courts of Probate, and to the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of deceased persons, as now amended.</p>	<p>Agreeing to Probate Bill as amended.</p>
<p>The said Bill was read, as amended, and the question was put by the President,</p>	
<p>Whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?</p>	
<p>It was resolved in the affirmative.</p>	<p>Bill finally agreed to</p>

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- And sent to H. A. A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk, to return the said Bill, and acquaint them therewith.
- Message from H.A. agreeing to amendt. to Tracadie Oyster Bill A Message was brought from the House of Assembly by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to the amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent the exportation of Oysters from Tracadie, in the County of Sydney.
- Also to amendt. to Assize of Bread Bill Also, to the amendment proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act to revive the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread.
- The said Bills were then read, as amended, and the question was put by the President, on each,
Whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?
- Bills finally agreed to and Sent to H. A. It was resolved in the affirmative.
- A Message was sent to the House of Assembly by the Clerk, To return the said Bills, and acquaint them therewith.
- Message from H. A. disagreeing to amendt. to Halifax Incorporation Bill A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly did not agree to the amendments proposed by this House to a Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and amend the Act to Incorporate the Town of Halifax.
- Amendt. considered On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of their amendments to the said Bill. The same were read,
- And adhered to And Bill sent to H. A. And on motion, *resolved*, that the said amendments be adhered to.
- A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk, To return the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House adhere to their amendments to the said Bill.
- Message from H.A. agreeing to Old Roads Bill with amendts. A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray, To inform the House that the House of Assembly agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for disposing of Old Roads, with amendments—to which amendments their concurrence is desired.
- The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the House of Assembly to the said Bill.
- The said amendments were read by the Clerk as follows :
“After the Preamble leave out the remainder of the Bill, and insert the following Clauses :
For remedy thereof—
*Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That where a line of Road has been altered as aforesaid, and the old Road has been abandoned by the public as a general thoroughfare, it shall be lawful for any one or more of the Proprietors of the Land on either side of such abandoned Road to Petition the General Sessions of the County, or a Special Sessions, at which at least five of the Justices of the Peace of the County shall be present, to shut up, or otherwise dispose of the same—which Petition shall state the names of all persons interested in the Lands on either side of the said abandoned Road, and shall be accompanied by an Affidavit, that the said persons so interested, have had at least thirty days notice of such application ; and that a Copy of said notice has been posted up in at least two public places in the vicinity of said abandoned Road, at least thirty days before the time for hearing the same ; and thereupon, it shall be lawful for the Justices of the said General or Special Sessions, after requiring due proof of the service and publication of the said notice or notices as aforesaid, to proceed to hear the parties, and their witnesses for and against the application ; or if the said parties so served with the said notice or notices, do not appear at the time and place mentioned in the said notice or notices, to hear the party or parties making such application, with his or their witnesses, and thereupon, to make such order as may seem proper, either for dismissing such application, or granting or modifying the same : *Provided always*, that where the foregoing proceedings may be had before any Special Sessions, the Clerk of the Peace for the County*

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County shall give notice to at least seven of the Justices, that such application will be made at the time and place mentioned in said notice or notices; and that the said proceedings shall be always had in the County Court House, and a record thereof made in the regular Books, in the same manner as if the proceedings should have taken place in the General Sessions; and any person or persons dissatisfied with such Order may appeal therefrom to the next sitting of the Supreme Court; and the Clerk of the Peace shall thereupon return all the proceedings in the said matter to the said Supreme Court, who shall examine the same, and if it see occasion, hear the parties and their witnesses, and make such order as shall seem right, which order shall be final and conclusive: *Provided also*, that any person or persons, although not interested in any Lands adjoining or near to such abandoned Roads, may be heard against the closing or disposing of such Road, or may appeal from such order of the General or Special Sessions as aforesaid.

And be it enacted, That if any of the Lands on any such abandoned Road shall have been the Property of some deceased person, and be not divided amongst his Heirs, the Executors or Administrators of such deceased person, and the Guardian of his minor children, if any, and the person actually in the use and possession of the said Land shall, for the purposes of this Act, be considered the Proprietor of such Lands.

And be it enacted, That this Act shall continue and be in force for two years, and from thence to the end of the then next Session of the General Assembly."

And the said amendments being read a second and third time.

It was on motion, *resolved*, that the said amendments be not agreed to.

A Message was sent to the House of Assembly, by the Clerk,

To carry down the said Bill, and acquaint them that this House do not agree to their amendments thereto.

A Message was brought from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Gray,

To inform the House that the House of Assembly adhered to their amendments to the said Bill.

Not agreed to
Message to H. A.
disagreeing to
amend.

Message from H.A.
adhering to amndts.

On motion made and seconded—the House adjourned until To-morrow, at 1 o'clock.

Adjourn

Saturday, 19th March, 1842.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

P R E S E N T—

The Honorable S. B. Robie, President.

The Right Reverend and Honorable the Lord Bishop.

The Honorable Norman F. Uniacke,
James W. Johnston,
William Lawson,
Alexander Stewart,
William Rudolf,
Alexander Campbell,

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The Honorable James Ratchford,
James Bond,
Michael Tobin, Jun.
John Morton,
Hugh Bell.

PRAYERS.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

At two o'clock, p. m. His Excellency the Right Honorable Lucius Bentinck Viscount Falkland, Knight Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order, and Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c., came to the Council Chamber, attended as usual, and being seated, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod received His Excellency's commands to let the House of Assembly know "It is His Excellency's will and pleasure they attend him immediately in this House"—who, being come with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to give His Assent to ninety-three Bills, entitled as follows:

H. E. comes to
Council Chamber

H. A. attends
H. E. assents to
Bills, viz.

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Forgery	An Act to amend the Law relating to Forgery.
Embezzlement	An Act for more effectually preventing Embezzlements by persons employed in the Public Service of Her Majesty.
Offences against Coin	An Act to amend the Law against Offences relating to the Coin.
Misdemesnor	An Act to prevent delay in the Administration of Justice in cases of Misdemesnor.
Teachers of Schools	An Act respecting Teachers of Schools.
Offences against the Person	An Act additional to the Act for amending the Law relative to Offences against the Person.
Indians	An Act to provide for the Instruction and permanent Settlement of the Indians.
Highways Sydney	An Act to extend to the Town of Sydney the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places.
Meeting House Folly Village	An Act to extend to the Meeting-House at Folly Village the provisions of An Act relating to the Meeting-House at Mass Town, and to amend the said Act.
Cape Breton	An Act to make perpetual the Act in amendment of an Act made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton.
Meeting House Argyle	An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting House at Argyle to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.
Attachments	An Act to make perpetual the Act to restrain the issuing Writs of Attachment in certain cases.
Dog stealing	An Act to make perpetual the Act to make the stealing of Dogs, Beasts and Birds, Larceny.
Passengers	An Act to continue the Act relating to Passengers from Great Britain and Ireland, and the Acts in amendment thereof.
Town Officers ands.	An Act to continue the Acts in further addition to, and in amendment of, the Act for the choice of Town Officers and regulating of Townships, and the Acts to alter and amend the same.
Commsrs. Sewers	An Act to continue the Acts in amendment of the Acts relating to Commissioners of Sewers.
Malicious Injuries	An Act to continue the Act concerning Malicious Injuries to Property.
Bite of Animals	An Act to continue the Act to provide against the occurrence of Diseases from the Bite of Animals.
Trespases amendt.	An Act to continue the Act further to amend the Act relating to Trespases.
Trespases	An Act to continue the Acts now in force relating to Trespases.
Cornwallis Meeting House	An Act to continue the Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Cornwallis, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, and the Act to amend the same.
Onslow Meeting House	An Act to continue the Act to authorize the Congregation of the Meeting House at Onslow, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.
Prevent Dogs going at large	An Act to continue the Act for making regulations to prevent Dogs going at large in certain cases.
Fisheries Richmond	An Act to continue the Act for the regulation of the Fisheries in the County of Richmond.
Poors' Rates Egerton	An Act to continue the Act to extend to the Township of Egerton the Act respecting the collection of Poors' Rates of Pictou, and to amend the said Act.
Smoked Herrings Exportation	An Act to continue the Act for regulating the exportation of Red or Smoked Herrings.
Sea Manure Queen's County	An Act to continue the Act to authorize the Sessions of the Peace for the County of Queen's County to make regulations for the gathering of Sea Manure, in the said County.
Fishery Shubenacadie	An Act to continue the Act for the regulating the Fishery in the River Shubenacadie.
Killing Bears, &c.	An Act to continue the Act to encourage the killing of Bears, Loup Cerviers and Wild Cats.
Public School Halifax	An Act to continue the Act to amend an Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax.

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An Act to continue the Acts respecting the Collection of Poores' Rates of Pictou.	Poores' Rates Pictou
An Act to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbor of Pugwash.	Pugwash Harbor
An Act to continue the Act in addition to, and in amendment of, the Act to prevent Nuisances by Hedges, Wears and other Incumbrances, obstructing the passage of Fish in the Rivers of this Province.	Nuisances in Rivers
An Act to continue the Act more effectually to provide against the introduction of Infectious or Contagious Diseases, and the spreading thereof in this Province, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Contagious Diseases prevention
An Act to continue the Act to enable the Proprietors of Land, in the rear Blocks or Divisions of Land in the Township of Guysborough, to open Roads through the same.	Guysborough Rear Block Roads
An Act to continue the Act to prevent the spreading of Contagious Diseases, and for the performance of Quarantine, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Quarantine
An Act to continue the Act to suspend the operation of the Acts to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing, of Cord Wood, in the Town of Halifax.	Monopolizing Cord Wood
An Act to continue the Act to repeal the Act to regulate the Public Landing at Windsor, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof.	Public Landing Windsor
An Act to continue the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, and the Acts in amendment thereof.	County and District Rates
An Act to continue the Act in further amendment of, and additional to, the Acts relating to Trespasses.	Amdts. and additions Trespasses
An Act to continue the Act to regulate the expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Acts in amendment thereof.	Road expenditure, &c.
An Act to continue the Act for establishing a Harbour Master at Bridgeport, in the Island of Cape-Breton.	Harbour Master Bridgeport
An Act to continue the Act to authorize the Sale of Coals by Weight.	Coals by weight
An Act to continue the Act to regulate certain Landings in the County of King's County.	Landings King's County
An Act to continue the Act to enable the Inhabitants of the Town of Lunenburg to procure a Fire Engine, with other utensils and materials necessary for extinguishing Fires.	Fire Engine Lunenburg
An Act to continue the Act to amend the Act to Incorporate sundry persons by the name of the President, Directors and Company, of the Bank of Nova Scotia.	Nova Scotia Bank
An Act to continue the Act relative to the assessment of Dyke Rates for the New or Wickwire Dyke in Horton.	Dyke Rates Horton
An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Survey of Timber and Lumber, and to repeal certain Acts now in force.	Timber and Lumber
An Act to continue the Act to prevent Injuries to the Fisheries within the County of Lunenburg, by Mill Dams or any other obstruction.	Fisheries Lunenburg
An Act to continue the Acts for appointing Supervisors to take charge of Public Grounds, and for other purposes.	Supervisors Public Grounds
An Act to continue the Act for the better regulation of Sable Island, in this Province.	Sable Island
An Act to continue the Act to prevent damage to the Nets of Fishermen by Coasting Vessels.	Nets of Fishermen
An Act to continue the Act in amendment of the Act for the Settlement of the Poor in the several Townships within this Province.	Settlement of Poor
An Act to continue the Act, additional, concerning Nuisances.	Nuisances additional
An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Weighing of Beef, and the Acts in amendment thereof.	Weighing of Beef
An Act to continue the Act for regulating the Militia.	Militia
An Act to continue the Act for the regulation of the Fisheries at Chedabucto Bay.	Fisheries Chedabucto Bay
An Act to continue the Act to enable the Nova-Scotia and Halifax Marine Insurance Companies to compensate their Directors and Auditors.	Insurance Companies
An Act for regulating the Currency of the Province.	Currency
An Act to authorise the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Chebogue to raise Money from the Pews of said Meeting House for the repairing and upholding thereof.	Meeting House Chebogue

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Burial Ground Lunenburg	An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Lunenburg to inclose the Public Burial Ground there.
Burial Ground Upper Musquedoboit	An Act to enable the Inhabitants of Upper Musquedoboit to inclose and ornament the Public Burial Ground there.
Pickled Fish	An Act to continue the Acts in force relative to the Inspection of Pickled Fish.
Marriage Licenses	An Act to continue the Act relating to Marriage Licenses.
Flour and Meal	An Act to continue the several Acts now in force for the Inspection of Flour and Meal.
Disorderly Riding	An Act to continue and amend the Act to prevent Disorderly Riding, and to regulate the Driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, or other Towns, or on the Public Roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned.
General Sessions	An Act to alter the Sittings of the General Sessions of the Peace for the several Counties therein mentioned.
Aylesford Pier Company	An Act to Incorporate the Aylesford Pier Company.
Cemetery Yarmouth	An Act for establishing a Public Cemetery in the Town of Yarmouth, and for other purposes.
Summary Trials before J. P.	An Act for the Summary trial of Actions before Justices of the Peace.
Lock-up House Bridgetown	An Act to establish a Sessions House and Lock-up House at Bridgetown, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned.
Sessions House Chester	An Act to provide a Lock-up House and Town House at Chester.
Billetting Troops	An Act to continue the Act, entitled, An Act to provide for the Accommodation and Billetting of His Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another, and also the Acts in amendment thereof.
Poors' Rates Pictou	An Act to amend the Acts respecting the collection of Poors' Rates of Pictou and Egerton.
Pilotage Sydney	An Act to continue and amend the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton, and to repeal certain Acts relative thereto.
Public Exhibitions	An Act relative to Public Exhibitions.
Regulation of Duties	An Act to continue the Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties.
Drawbacks	An Act to continue and amend the the Act concerning Goods exported, and for granting Drawbacks.
Smuggling	An Act to continue the several Acts for the prevention of Smuggling.
Warehousing	An Act to continue and amend the Act for the Warehousing of Goods.
Importation of Goods	An Act to continue and amend the Act for regulating the Importation of Goods.
Licenses	An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, and the Act to alter the same.
Licenses Halifax	An Act to continue the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, and for Sales by Auction in Halifax, and the Act to alter the same.
Light Houses	An Act to revive and continue the Acts for the support and regulation of Light Houses.
Burial Ground Dartmouth	An Act for establishing a Presbyterian Burial Ground at Dartmouth.
Highways	An Act to continue and amend the Act in amendment of the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges.
Colonial Duties	An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce, and Fisheries thereof.
Schools	An Act to amend the Acts for the encouragement of Schools.
Pilotage Halifax	An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Halifax, and the several Acts in amendment thereof and additional thereto.
Probate	An Act relating to the Courts of Probate, and to the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of deceased Persons.
Tracadie Oysters	An Act to prevent the taking of Oysters from Tracadie, in the County of Sydney.
Assize of Bread	An Act to revive the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread.
Appropriation	An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-two, and for other purposes.

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After which His Excellency was pleased to close the Session with the following Speech : Speech

*Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council ;
Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly ;*

In performing my official duty of formally closing the present Session of the Legislature, I am happy to be able to state to you, that I regard with satisfaction the general results which have been obtained by your joint labors during its continuance.

The consolidation and simplification of our Criminal Code has been carried to the full extent which the present condition of the Country renders necessary ; a very essential change has been made in the Law of Probate ; and the Parliament of Nova-Scotia has proceeded systematically in the humane endeavour to ameliorate the condition of the Indian Tribes, and has generously provided for the defrayment (from the resources of the Colony) of the expense likely to be incurred in effecting this desirable object.

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

I thank you in the name of Her Majesty for the liberality of your grants for public purposes of all descriptions ; and I pledge myself that in every case in which the superintendance of the expenditure of the Colonial Funds has been confided to the Executive, the utmost vigilance shall be exercised in order that all possible benefit may be derived from the outlay in the execution of those numerous and important improvements in the internal communications of the Province, to the completion of which the sums granted are intended to be applied, and the value of which cannot fail to be appreciated by those whom you represent.

I cannot allow you to separate without expressing my gratification at having perceived on your Journals a vote of confidence in the Provincial Administration, because that vote distinctly denotes your approbation of the principles on which my Government has hitherto been conducted, and of the mode in which the Public Business has, up to the present time, been transacted. The principles I avowed when I first met you in General Assembly have never been departed from ; and as it is my fixed intention to continue to be guided by those principles so long as I have the honour to represent the Queen in this portion of Her Majesty's North American Dominions, and "to maintain inviolate the Royal Prerogative, while I conscientiously exert it whenever my duty to Her Majesty admits of my so doing, in accordance with the wishes of the Community in general," your satisfaction at the past appears to me to afford good grounds for anticipating your support and sympathy in future.

*Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council ;
Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly ;*

I congratulate you on the unanimity which has prevailed between the Legislative Branches during your recent Sittings. The maintenance of such a state of things is at all times worth the sacrifice of minor points of difference ; and I now dismiss you to your several Counties, with a deep sense of the value of your assistance in the conduct of Public Affairs, and a very sincere acknowledgement of the spirit in which that assistance has been rendered to me during the efficient and unusually short Session, which I now declare to be at an end.

The President of the Council then said,

GENTLEMEN :—

It is His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure, that this General Assembly be prorogued to Thursday the Ninth day of June next.—And this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued to Thursday, the Ninth day of June next, to be then here held.

The House of Assembly then withdrew, and His Excellency was pleased to retire soon after.

Prorogation

H. A. withdraw—
H. E. retires

JOHN C. HALLIBURTON, }
Clerk of the Legislative Council. }

A P P E N D I C E S
TO THE
JOURNALS OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

APPENDIX No. 1.

(See Page 10.)

Halifax, 21st January, 1842.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

In compliance with the Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, "An Act to improve the Administration of the Law, and to reduce the number of Courts of Justice within this Province, and to diminish the expense of the Judicature therein," we have framed the accompanying rules and orders for regulating the practice of the Supreme Court, which appear to us to be necessary and proper to prevent delay, to lessen the expense, and to simplify the proceedings in Suits in that Court, which we respectfully request your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the General Assembly, as the Act requires.

We have made the rules established by the Judges of the Superior Courts at Westminster, under the 3 and 4, William 4. C. 42, the basis of these rules, with such modifications as we conceived necessary to adapt them to the state of this Province, and to the course of our Judicial proceedings.

We regret we have not been able to devote more time to this important subject; but we have never found it practicable, owing to our other public duties, to effect a full meeting of the Judges of the Supreme Court, to consider of it, since the Act passed.

Immediately after the close of the last Session of the General Assembly, the Easter Term of the Supreme Court commenced, and before it closed, two of the Judges were obliged to proceed upon the Circuits. The other Judges left Halifax shortly afterwards to perform their share of Circuit duty, which occupied them, with scarcely an interval, until the Michaelmas Term, which commenced in November, and continued until after Christmas.

Mr. Justice Wilkins was prevented from attending that Term by the state of his health; and Mr. Justice Halliburton, by a severe domestic affliction. We have consequently been deprived of their assistance, while devoting the short interval which has occurred since the close of Michaelmas Term, to the performance of the duty assigned to the Judges by the Act.

Should the Legislature be disposed to extend the powers until the next Session of the General Assembly, we trust that we shall be enabled to render the system more perfect.

We take the liberty of suggesting to your Excellency the expediency of providing for the expense of printing several copies of these, and the other rules of the Supreme Court, for the information of the Country generally, and particularly for the guidance of the Officers of the Court and the Practitioners in the several Counties of the Province.

We have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's

Most obedient Servants,

BRENTON HALLIBURTON,

WILLIAM HILL,

W. B. BLISS.

His Excellency the **LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.**

Whereas, in and by the Act of the Province, 4, Vict. ch. 3, it is among other things provided that the Judges of the Supreme Court shall make and frame such Rules and Orders for regulating the practice thereof, as shall appear to them necessary and proper, to simplify the proceedings

proceedings in Suits in the said Courts, and to prevent delay and lessen the expense of such proceedings; all which Rules shall be laid before the General Assembly at the next Session thereof, within the first four days of the said Session; and if the said General Assembly shall not, within six weeks from the day the said Rules and Regulations shall be so laid before it, signify its disapproval thereof, then the said Rules and Regulations, or such of them as shall not be so disapproved of, shall be and become the Rules of the said Court.

It is therefore ordered, that from and after the first day of July next, unless the General Assembly shall in the meantime signify its disapprobation thereof, the following Rules and Regulations, made pursuant to the said Act, shall be in force.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS.

No Entry of Continuances by way of imparlance, *curia advisari vult*, *vice-comes non misit breve*, or otherwise, shall be made upon any Record or Roll whatever, or in the pleadings.

Provided, That in all cases in which a plea *puis darrein continuance* is now by Law pleadable, the same defence may be pleaded with an allegation that the matter arose after the last pleading or the issuing of the Jury Process, as the case may be.

2. All Judgments, whether interlocutory or final, shall be entered of Record of the day of the month and year, whether in Term or Vacation, when signed, and shall not have relation to any other day.

Provided, That it shall be competent for the Court or a Judge to order a Judgment to be entered *nunc pro tunc*.

3. No entry shall be made on Record of any Warrants of Attorney to sue or defend, nor pledges to prosecute, which shall not in future be stated at the conclusion of the Declaration.

4. Several Counts shall not be allowed unless a distinct subject matter of complaint is intended to be established in respect of each, nor shall several pleas or avowries, or cognizances be allowed, unless a distinct ground of answer or defence is intended to be established in respect of each; and where more than one count, plea, avowry or cognizance, shall have been used, in apparent violation of the preceding Rule, no costs whatever shall be taxed in respect thereof by the party using the same, unless the Court, or the Judge by whom the costs are taxed, shall order otherwise.

5. The name of a County shall in all cases be stated in the margin of the Declaration, and shall be taken to be the *venue* intended by the Plaintiff, and no *venue* shall be stated in the body of the Declaration, or in any subsequent pleading.

Provided, That in cases where local description is now required, such local description shall be given.

6. In a plea or subsequent pleading intended to be pleaded in bar of the whole action generally, it shall not be necessary to use any allegation of *actionem non*, or to the like effect, or any prayer of Judgment; nor shall it be necessary in any replication or subsequent pleading intended to be pleaded in maintenance of the whole action, to use any allegation of *precludi non*, or to the like effect, or any prayer of Judgment; and all pleas, replications and subsequent pleadings, pleaded without such formal parts as aforesaid, shall be taken, unless otherwise expressed as pleaded respectively in bar of the whole action, or in maintenance of the whole action; provided, that nothing herein contained shall extend to cases where an Estoppel is pleaded.

7. No formal defence shall be required in a plea, and it shall commence as follows: The said Defendant, by his Attorney, (or in person, &c.) says that,"

8. It shall not be necessary to state in a second or other plea or avowry, that it is pleaded by leave of the Court, or according to the form of the Statute, or to that effect.

9. No protestation shall hereafter be made in any pleading, but either party shall be entitled to the same advantage in that or other actions, as if a protestation had been made.

10. All Special traverses, or traverses with an inducement of affirmative matter, shall conclude to the Country.

Provided, that this regulation shall not preclude the opposite party from pleading over to the inducement, when the traverse is immaterial.

11. The form of a Demurrer shall be as follows: The said Defendant by his Attorney, (or in person, &c., or Plaintiff) says that the declaration (or plea, &c.) is not sufficient in law," showing the Special causes of Demurrer, if any.

The form of a joinder in Demurrer shall be as follows: "The said Plaintiff (or Defendant) says that the declaration (or plea, &c.) is sufficient in law."

12. The entry of proceedings on the Record for Trial, or on the Judgment Roll, shall be taken to be, and shall be, in fact, the first entry of the proceedings in the cause, or of any part thereof upon record.

13. In all personal Actions, (except actions for Assault and Battery, False Imprisonment, Libel, Slander, Malicious Arrest or Prosecution, Criminal conversation, or debauching the Plaintiffs daughter, or servant,) the Defendant, by leave of the Court, or a Judge, may pay into Court a sum of money by way of compensation or amends.

14. When money is paid into Court, such payment shall be pleaded in all cases, and as near as may be, in the following form, *mutatis mutandis*.

C. D. } The day of the
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 A. B. } Defendant, by his
 Attorney, (or in person, &c.) says, (or in case it be pleaded as to part only, as to £ being part of the sum in the declaration or () count mentioned; or as to the residue of the sum of £) that the Plaintiff ought not further to maintain his action, because the Defendant now brings into Court the sum of £ ready to be paid to the Plaintiff; and that the Defendant further says, that the Plaintiff hath not sustained damages, (or in actions of debt, that he never was indebted to the Plaintiff) to a greater amount than the said sum, &c., in respect of the cause of action in the declaration mentioned, (or in the introductory part of this plea mentioned): and this he is ready to verify, wherefore he prays Judgment, if the Plaintiff ought further to maintain his action thereof.

15. No Rule, or Judge's order to pay money into Court shall be necessary, except under the 13th Rule aforesaid; but the money shall be paid to the proper officer, who shall give a receipt for the amount in the margin of the plea; and the said sum shall be paid out to the Plaintiff on demand.

16. The Plaintiff, after delivery of a plea of payment of money into Court, shall be at liberty to reply to the same by accepting the sum so paid into Court, in full satisfaction and discharge of the cause of action, in respect of which it has been paid in; and he shall be at liberty in that case to tax his Costs of Suit; and in case of non-payment thereof (within twenty four hours) to sign Judgment for his costs of suit so taxed; or the Plaintiff may reply that he has sustained damages (or that the Defendant was and is indebted to him, as the case may be) to a greater amount than the said Sum; and in the event of an issue therein being found for the Defendant, the Defendant shall be entitled to Judgment, and his costs of Suit arising out of such issue.

17. In all causes whatever, except Ejectment, in which the general issue is pleaded, it shall be accompanied with a notice, specifying clearly and concisely the precise nature of the defence which is intended to be set up under such plea, whether it be matter in denial or avoidance, justification, excuse, or in the discharge of the cause of action.

Thus, in *Assumpsit ex. gr.* the Notice may be a denial of the Express Contract or promise alledged; or a denial of the matters of fact stated in the declaration from which the contract or promise alledged may be implied by Law; or in actions on Bills of Exchange or Promissory Notes, a denial of the drawing, or making, or indorsing, or accepting, or presenting, or notice of the dishonour of the Bill or Note: or the notice may be infancy, lunacy, coverture, duress, or any other incapacity to contract—or release, payment, performance, illegality, or want of consideration, non performance by the Plaintiff of condition precedent—work by the Plaintiff was unskillfully performed, set off, unseaworthiness, misrepresentation, concealment, deviation, &c. &c. &c.

In case ex. gr. The Notice may be a denial of the breach of duty or wrongful act alledged to have been committed by the Defendant, or of the fact stated in the inducement, or of the Plaintiff's property, or possession in Trover, or of the conversion by the Defendant, or of the Plaintiff's right of way, or of the obstruction of it by the Defendant, or in

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slander, that Defendant did not speak the words, or that he spoke them in confidence, or whatever else shews that they were not spoken maliciously; or in actions for malicious arrest, that there was sufficient possible cause; or in actions for injuring Plaintiffs' horse, let to hire, that Defendant did not hire it, or did not injure it, or that the injury arose from unavoidable accident, or from the insufficiency of the horse to perform the work for which it was hired; or the Notice may state a licence, release, former recovery, satisfaction, &c. &c. &c.

In Trespass, ex. gr. The Notice may be a denial that Defendant committed the trespass, or of Plaintiff's title or possession, or that property was in the Defendant, or in a third person, by whose leave or command Defendant entered, or right of way, &c. &c. &c.

These are only given as examples; but all and every other matter of defence which might heretofore have been given in evidence, under the general issue, in any action, except ejectment, must now be stated in a notice to accompany that plea.

18. In covenant and debt, the same rule shall also apply to the pleas of *non est factum* and *nil debet*; and a similar notice of all matters of defence intended to be relied upon, and which might heretofore have been given in evidence under either of the pleas, shall now accompany them.

19. In all cases in which the general issue, or pleas of *non est factum* and *nil debet* shall be unaccompanied by a notice of the ground of defence, the Plaintiff shall be at liberty to treat them as nullities.

20. The Defendant shall not be permitted to set up or to offer evidence on any other matter or ground of defence under the general issue, than such as shall be the subject of the notice given by him therewith.

21. In all these cases, every thing which is contained in the Plaintiffs' declaration, except the precise matter of defence stated in such notice, shall be deemed to be admitted, and the proof shall be confined solely to establishing the facts disputed or asserted by the Defendant's notice.

22. The Defendant may give notice of more than one matter or ground of defence; but if the Plaintiff is thereby put to the expense of proving either of them to be untrue or insufficient, and succeeds, he shall be allowed the costs thereof, notwithstanding the verdict may pass for the Defendant upon the other matter or ground of defence.

23. In any case where the notice shall be considered obscure or equivocal, the opposite party shall be at liberty to apply to the Court or to a Judge for a fuller or more precise notice of the ground of defence to be furnished by the Defendant; and the Court or Judge may thereupon order such amended notice as shall be deemed proper to be given by the Defendant within a limited time, or in default thereof, that the notice already given be treated as a nullity.

24. The Defendant may at any time apply to the Court or to a Judge for leave to amend or to add to the notice already given by him, who shall thereupon make such order as shall be deemed proper.

25. In all actions of Assumpsit or of Debt on the Common Counts, the Plaintiff shall annex the particulars of his demand to the Declaration served upon the Defendant.

26. To those actions where the Defendant pleads the general issue, he shall, in addition to any other notice above required, further accompany such plea with one of the following notices, as the case may be.

1. Take notice, that the ground of defence, above relied on by the Defendant, applies to all the items contained in the Plaintiff's particulars—or

2. Take notice, that the Defendant admits the sale and delivery of the Goods charged, (or the performance of the work and labour) in the Plaintiff's particulars, (or the admission may be confined to particular items of the account,) but he avers that the following items or articles, (specifying them,) are overcharged, the real price thereof being as follows—or

3. Take notice, that the defence in this cause does not apply to the following items in the Plaintiff's particulars, which the Defendant admits to be correctly charged against him.

27. In either of the two latter cases, if there is no set off pleaded or notified, the Plaintiff may abandon his claim for the disputed items or prices, and enter up Judgment as on confession for the amount admitted with the costs then incurred; but if he proceeds to trial, and does not recover more than the sum admitted by the Defendant, he shall recover no costs

costs incurred by proceeding to trial; but the Defendant shall be allowed to tax and set off against the Plaintiff such costs as the proceeding to trial imposed upon the Defendant.

28. All Pleas or Notices of set off shall be accompanied with a Bill of particulars of the set off, and the cause shall not be at issue until the Plaintiff has, in like manner, given notice to the Defendant that he disputes the whole, or specifies those items, or the prices in the set off, which he does dispute, so that on the trial the proof may be confined to the very matter in dispute between the parties; and every undisputed item or price contained in the said Bills of particulars on either side shall be deemed to be admitted.

29. And in order to give effect to these rules, and to prevent either party from putting the other to unnecessary expense, whether the verdict be for the Plaintiff or Defendant, the Plaintiff shall be allowed to tax against the Defendant the expense of all material witnesses who proved the Plaintiff's right to any part of his claim disputed by the Defendant; and the Defendant shall, in like manner, be entitled to tax against the Plaintiff the expense incurred by him in proving any part of his set off disputed by the Plaintiff.

In actions of Trespass *quare clausum fregit*, the close or place in which, &c., must be designated by name, or abutments, or other description, in failure whereof the Defendant may demur specially.

31. In all actions upon Bills of Exchange or Promissory Notes, or other written instruments, any of the parties to which are designated by the initial letter or letters, or some contraction of the christian or first name or names, it shall be sufficient in every affidavit to hold to bail, or for an attachment; and in process or declaration to designate such persons by the same initial letter or letters, or contraction of the christian or first name or names, instead of stating the christian or first name or names in full.

32. No Plea in abatement for a misnomer shall be allowed in any personal action; but in all cases in which a misnomer may heretofore have been pleaded in abatement in such actions, the Defendant shall be at liberty to cause the declaration to be amended at the costs of the Plaintiff, by inserting the right name upon a Judge's Summons, founded upon an Affidavit of the right name; and in case such Summons shall be discharged, the costs of such application shall be paid by the party applying, if the Judge shall think fit.

33. In all cases where a Plaintiff shall have given notice of trial, and subsequently countermanded that notice, he shall, notwithstanding, pay all such costs and expenses as the Defendant has actually been put to prior to the notice of countermand, in consequence of such notice of trial.

34. In all Summary Causes returnable to Halifax, a notice shall be indorsed on the back of the Writ, in the following words: "Take notice that this Cause will be called for Trial on the day of (the day appointed for Summary Trials); and that unless you appear by yourself, or your Attorney, when called on that day, Judgment, by default, will then be given against you."

35. In all Summary Causes where the Defendant has given Bail to the Sheriff, he may make defence without filing Special Bail; but the Bail to the Sheriff shall continue liable until they render the Defendant, which they shall be at liberty to do without filing Special Bail.

36. Whenever any variance shall appear at the Trial of any Civil Cause between the proof and the recital, or setting forth on the Record, Writ, or other Document on which the Trial is proceeding, of any contract, custom, name, or other matter, in any particular or particulars, in the Judgment of the Court, or the Judge by whom the Cause is tried not material to the merits of the case, and by which the opposite party cannot have been prejudiced in the conduct of his action, prosecution or defence, the Court or Judge may forthwith order such amendment to be made in the Writ, Record, or any Document on which the Trial is proceeding, or in any part of the pleadings, and on such terms, as to the payment of costs, by the party who applies for the same, or to the postponement of the Trial, as the said Court or Judge shall think reasonable.

BRENTON HALLIBURTON,
WILLIAM HILL,
W. B. BLISS.

Halifax, January 21st, 1842.

APPENDIX No. 2.

(See Page 15.)

Copy.

(Circular.)

Downing Street, 30th November, 1841.

MY LORD—

It is my pleasing duty to announce to you, that on the morning of the 9th instant, at twelve minutes before eleven o'clock, the Queen was happily delivered of a Prince, to the great joy of the Nation, and of all the Royal Family. Her Majesty and the Infant Prince have, through Divine Mercy, continued to do well up to the present time.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

STANLEY.

VISCOUNT FALKLAND, &c. &c. &c., Nova-Scotia.

APPENDIX No. 3.

(See Page 15.)

Copy.

No. 71.

Downing Street, 30th August, 1841.

MY LORD—

I have received your Lordship's Despatch, No. 56, of the 12th April last, transmitting an Act passed by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, with a suspending clause, on the 10th of that month, (No. 2158) "For facilitating the recovery of Seamen's Wages."

Your Lordship's Despatch also enclosed two Addresses to the Queen, from the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, praying Her Majesty's assent to this Act; and likewise, the draft of a Bill proposed by the Judge of the Vice Admiralty Court on the same subject.

I have had the honor of laying these Addresses before Her Majesty, when Her Majesty was pleased to command that the subject should be referred to the consideration of Her Majesty's legal advisers.

Having been accordingly referred to them, they have made a report, of which the enclosed is a copy, by which it appears that the Act in question is as objectionable as that which was disallowed by Her Majesty, in Council, on the 15th November, 1839, and for the same reasons.

After receiving that report, I have found it impossible to advise the Queen to allow this Act; and Her Majesty does not therefore propose to confirm it.

I trust, however, that the suggestions of the Law Officers of the Crown may prove sufficient to obviate the inconveniences which the Legislature of Nova-Scotia ascribe to the existing state of the Law.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

J. RUSSELL.

VISCOUNT FALKLAND, &c. &c. &c.

Doctor's Commons, August 13, 1841.

MY LORD—

We are honored with your Lordship's commands, signified in Mr. Vernon Smith's letter of the 18th of May last, stating, that with reference to our report of the 23d of September, 1839, upon an Act passed by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, (1800) relating to Merchant Seamen, he was directed to transmit to us the copy of a Despatch from the Lieutenant-Governor of that Province, enclosing another Act passed in substitution for the former Act, which was disallowed by the Queen in Council on our report, that it was repugnant to the Statute Law of Great Britain. Mr. Vernon Smith is pleased to request that we would take this Act into consideration, and report to your Lordship our joint opinion,

nion, whether, equally with the former, this Act is at variance with the Statute Law of this Kingdom.

In obedience to your Lordship's commands, we have the honor to report, that we are of opinion that the Act passed in substitution of the former Act, which was disallowed by the Queen, is equally objectionable as such former Act, and for the same reason. Considering the importance which the Colonial authorities appear to attach to the remedies proposed in these objectionable Acts, we beg respectfully to suggest whether the greater part of the objects which the Colonial authorities have in view, may not be obtained under the Imperial Statute 5th & 6th, Wm. 4. c. 19, as that Statute (section 15) gives a summary jurisdiction to the Magistrates to decide claims for wages under £20; and although that Statute does not altogether take away the jurisdiction of the Court of Admiralty in respect of such claims, as is proposed to be done by the Colonial Acts, it yet withdraws all motive in ordinary cases to sue in the Admiralty, by depriving the Plaintiff of costs where he might have had an effectual remedy before the Magistrates.

We have, &c.
(Signed) J. DODSON,
THOS. WILDE.

The Right Honorable the Lord JOHN RUSSELL, &c. &c. &c.

APPENDIX, No. 4.

(See Page 17.)

EXAMINATION OF WITNESSES ON THE CURRENCY.

Examination of William Hewetson, Esq. D. C. G.

First.—The present state of the Law respecting the Currency, most unquestionably requires Legislative interference.

Second.—The Bill is good in many respects, but is susceptible of improvement. British Sterling should be the money of account; and it appears to me that no limitation should be placed upon the amount to be paid or received as a legal tender. The pure metal in the Dollar should not be restricted to less than 370 and 9-10 grains, being the pure Silver of the old Spanish Dollar.

Third.—My answer to this question is embraced in the last answer.

Fourth.—I have already given my opinion in writing when the subject was before the Legislature in 1834, in a Bill introduced by the late Mr. Fairbanks—it was as follows:

“Mr. Fairbanks’ Bill is certainly much to the point, and his Tables, upon the whole, fairly calculated; but the Bill, I should say, goes too far: it appears to me sufficient that the standard of the Currency should be British Money, Gold and Silver, (20s. the Pound,) all other Coins to pass as Bullion, according to their value in the Market; the Banks to respond their Notes in British Money, at the will of the holder, at the rate of 20s. British, for every 25s. Halifax Currency; the Province Paper to be payable by the Treasurer in British Money, at the same rate, but not in sums less than £100, and to be received in payment of Customs and all other Duties, Crown or Local. This arrangement to take effect from the 1st July next. It may be for further consideration, from 1st January, 1835, to do away altogether with the term Halifax Currency, revising all Tariffs of Customs, Excise, Provincial Duties, Taxes, &c. converting the rates into the new standard. The Province Paper afloat to be reduced to £50,000 Sterling, withdrawing the surplus either by debentures at 5 per cent., or otherwise, as most advantageous to the public. All debts incurred upon Mortgage, Deed, or otherwise, to be liquidated at the same rate, unless otherwise specially provided for in such securities. The Province Paper and Notes of the Private Banks, now in circulation, to be cancelled as they come in, and new Notes, bearing upon the face thereof the obligation, to be paid in Coin, to be issued in lieu. That part of the Funded Debt of the Province, which bears an interest exceeding 5 per cent. to be at once paid off, from funds which may readily be

be raised at that rate. It is difficult to fix the precise sum in British Money, necessary in the first instance to carry the foregoing arrangement into practice, but I should say the Provincial Treasury will need £5,000 Sterling, and each of the Banks at least £15,000.

“Halifax, 10th February, 1834.

(Signed)

“W. HEWETSON, D. C. G.”

Seven years have now elapsed since this opinion was given, and I have not to this day seen any cause to change it. It is true that the Sterling rate of the Mexican Dollar, then much too high, has since, (say in 1838,) been, as regards Government transactions, reduced from fifty-two to fifty pence Sterling; and, as a Coin of Commerce and usefulness, is in general circulation, and fast taking place of the old Spanish Dollar.

The Sterling rate of the Doubloon has also been similarly fixed at 64s., they have therefore both become convenient Coins for general Colonial purposes, and if it can, looking prospectively, be safely done, it would be certainly desirable to make them legal tenders, as well as British Money, at their present Sterling rates. On the other hand, being Foreign Coins, their value, though rated here, will elsewhere always be more or less subject to variation, according to their demand for Trade, and the price of Bullion. British Coin, in this respect, differs—commanding in England (less Freight and Insurance) its fixed value here. For the last six months, as Deputy Commissary General, I have accepted tenders of Mexican Dollars for my 30 days Bills, upon the Lords of the Treasury, to a large amount, at 50d. Sterling, the present par of the Dollar; but this may not continue. The recent revolution in Mexico, and other causes, have prevented their being remitted to me from thence, but consignments of that Coin will no doubt shortly arrive, when my wants will be greatly diminished, fewer Bills will be in the Market, and a greater competition created for their purchase, causing, for the time, in all probability, a diminution in the exchange value of the Dollar. The same may be said to hold good with respect to British Coins; so it may—but, as before observed, £100 British Coin, will (less expenses) always command its value as a remittance home, and I may here add, that should British Silver again become more abundant in this Province, which will no doubt be the case, if a Sterling Currency is agreed to, instead of receiving it in exchange at a fixed rate of $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. premium, I shall be prepared to receive tenders of that Coin for Bills, in common with Dollars, at the exchange of the day, accepting that Coin most advantageous to the Government—observing, however, that Bills will not be received at a discount, and that any amount will be taken as hitherto, *at any period*, in exchange for Bills at $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. premium. I go into these details, as bearing more or less upon all your proposed questions, and because it is so necessary, on this important subject, to look beyond the present time. What I have endeavoured to explain may further tend to shew the inexpediency of limiting British Silver as a legal tender. If any limit is necessary, I should say certainly it ought to be to the parts of a Dollar, which should not be a legal tender beyond 50s. If coming to British Sterling could be simultaneous in all our North American Possessions, much benefit would accrue therefrom. But this is, I fear, scarcely to be hoped—too many conflicting interests and opinions prevail, unless the Imperial Parliament were to take it up; but, nevertheless, should Nova-Scotia set the example, much may be expected to follow; and I should hope to find in a few years the term “Halifax Currency” a dead letter.

Fifth.—There might be a difficulty in making British Silver exclusively the money of circulation, as there is not at present a sufficiency without the aid of other Coins. I would therefore suggest, that a specific Sterling value should be put on the Dollar and Doubloon, for a certain period only, say three or five years, at which value they should be a legal tender, and after such period, if necessary, they should be left to find their value in the Market as Bullion.

Sixth.—The rate of Exchange on Government Bills for Dollars has not varied during the last six months, and only for a short period previous, they were at a premium of one per cent. higher.

Seventh.—I cannot say, unless it was required for remittance to the United States, which I should infer to be the chief cause.

Eighth.—As far as I have an opportunity of knowing, Sovereigns 25s.—Dobloons 80s.—Mexican Dollars 5s. 3d. Currency.

Ninth.

Ninth.—It is more than probable that Doubloons will never be much in circulation, but retained in the coffers of the Bank; and, when issued, it will be with a view to export them as a convenient remittance.

Tenth.—At the present time it would be more advantageous to receive payment in Dollars at 5s. 2½d., as they are current at 5s. 3d.—making a difference of 16s. 8d. Currency in favour of that Coin.

Eleventh.—My opinion is, that the Sterling value is according to the relative value of the Coins, as proved by the Government Assay.

Twelfth.—The Doubloon and Dollar, as before observed, would be liable to a variation in their value, as they may respectively be required as an article of Trade. But I should say would generally command the Sterling value named in No. 11.

Thirteenth.—British Silver, being the more current Coin, and Dollars to a certain extent.

Fourteenth.—The United States whole Dollar is very nearly the same as the old Spanish Dollar. The Half Dollar is uncertain as to its value. The Columbian Dollar has more pure silver in its composition from 5 to 9 grains. The Rio Plata Dollar of 1815 has 9 grains less. The Columbian Guatemala has 134 grains less of pure Silver.

Fifteenth.—I cannot speak positively on this point; but I should suppose the Central and South American Dollar would be more in demand, being more available in Foreign Trade.

Sixteenth.—That they are intrinsically of the same value, with the exception of the Sovereign, which is more valuable. (See the Government Tables of Assay.)

Seventeenth.—I do not. Large importations of Mexican Dollars are continually being made to those Islands by the Commissariat. British Money also circulates there, and is taken by the Commissariat in Exchange for Bills, as elsewhere.

In reply to Questions from the Honorable A. Stewart.

I should not think that the Sovereign and British Silver would circulate freely together; the Sovereign would be retained by the Banks as a more convenient Coin of Export. The Sovereign is a more convenient Coin for that purpose.

I am not aware that British Silver has been returned from Holland in consequence of the inferiority of the Silver Coin to the Gold. Their relative value must altogether depend upon the variations in the price of Gold and Silver Bullion. The proposition contained in the report of the Committee of the House of Assembly on Currency, (March, 1839, page 16,) appears to me to be correct, and to meet the present question in all its bearing; but I should add, that the parts of the Dollar should not be a legal tender beyond 50s.

There would be no local inconvenience felt, even if the British Gold and Silver were not intrinsically of the same value, so long as they are received at the same rate for Bills.

Examination of F. Charman, Esq.

First.—At present there is no Law, and our Currency is subject to the fickleness of custom. Disputes and difficulties arise which a well defined Law would prevent; and I am therefore decidedly of opinion, that Legislative interference is very much required.

Second.—The present Bill is better than none; but there are many objections to it. It provides for Currency of Gold and Silver Coins, and it is my opinion that the two Metals cannot circulate at fixed values together. The one must give place to the other, according as circumstances may affect the value of either; and the rates of Exchange on Foreign Countries would be continually interfering with both—occasionally creating a great demand for each. This would not be the case, however, unless their intrinsic value was very accurately fixed; but in the absence of this, that is, if the intrinsic value of the Coins used were not very accurately determined, the result would be the same as though the choice were made of that to which the greater value was given. For instance, if the Doubloon were adopted at £4 and the Dollar at 5s.3d., it would have the effect of excluding the Doubloon altogether, and altering the value of all kinds of Property. I am therefore of opinion that the present Currency, having for its basis the Doubloon at £4, is a better Currency than that proposed by the new Law.

Third.—I think that British Silver should be limited in its amount, as a legal tender, to the extent of 20s. Sterling; or it will otherwise fill up a large part of the circulation, and if taken without reference to the amount, nothing else would be seen.

Fourth.—I am greatly in favor of adopting British Sterling as the Money of Account. I think it would have the effect of curbing the over issue of the Banks, which I believe to have been the true foundation of most of the Commercial distress I have witnessed in this Country. The Banks desire a high rate of Exchange, to profit by drawing, and a large issue to profit by the interest. The result of an over-issue is to raise Exchange, and this will cause a drain on the Banks, which will be a salutary check to both these evils, unless the Legislature adopt some description of Coin of an inconvenient kind, or at an over value, under which the Banks can shelter themselves. There was much inconvenience and misery occasioned by means of a Province issue of unredeemable paper some years ago—which, although it still exists, is in a great measure corrected. These Notes on the face of them declared that the bearer was entitled to receive a stated sum, £1 or £5, as the case might be, at the Treasury; but the invariable answer was—“No Funds.” At the time referred to, there was but one Bank and from it were issued Notes promising to pay in this unredeemable paper. What was the consequence? They required no Capital whatever but their credit Capital—could raise or depress Exchange at pleasure; and of every particle of Specie that came into the Country, this Bank became the common sink. The effects of this are too fresh in the memory of all, and are not likely soon to be forgotten. As matters now are, I would not be understood that Banks alone cause the fluctuations; but their paper or credit Capital gives them great controul, which, in my humble opinion, the Public should be guarded against by Legislation on the Currency. The Province Issue, to which I have referred, must still be felt severely by the Mercantile interests, and must interfere greatly with the question of the Currency; for it cannot be expected that real capital can be brought into fair competition with this unredeemable paper. I feel assured that the benefit derived is not equal to one tithe the injury the Country suffers by it.

Fifth.—I can see no difficulty which could arise from making the British Sovereign, and parts, exclusively the Money of circulation; leaving Foreign Coins to be bought and sold as Bullion. At the same time, I would suggest that no difficulty would arise from making the Doubloon also a legal tender at £4, as its intrinsic value is more than £3 4s. Sterling, and it would not be at all likely to interfere with the Sovereign at these rates, as it is now, and always would be, at a premium of 9d. to 1s. Currency.

Sixth.—June, 16 per cent; July, 16 per cent; August, 16 to 14 per cent, immediately after a call for Specie; and in September, fell as low as 10½ to 11 per cent—all 30 days. The rest of this question will be more fully answered in my reply to the 7th.

Seventh.—Merchants trading to the West Indies, ordered return cargoes of Sugar, instead of bringing back Bills of Exchange or Money, as hitherto. This commodity fell to a very low price in all the neighbouring markets, as also in Great Britain, and the evident and almost certain result of exporting it, was a great loss, while this market was completely glutted. The West India Merchants were consequently large holders of property; and unable to pay their debts at the Banks were compelled to seek further accommodation from them; thus the Bank issues were rather extended than lessened, and the debt owing by this to Foreign Countries was unprovided for through the usual channel. Exchange consequently rose until it became necessary to call upon the Banks for payment in Specie; and they were very properly compelled to fall back on their *real*, instead of using altogether their *credit* capital. Before these means were resorted to, they benefitted by drawing all they could on England at a very high rate of premium, which enabled them to draw in a large amount of their issues; and their payments in Specie contributed so far to lessen them, and pay our foreign debt, that exchange fell in a few weeks so low that they could replace their Specie at a profit. The result of these means not having been resorted to, would have been a destructively high rate of exchange to the English importer, and the only good resulting would have been to enable the Banks to continue a large *credit loan* to the Merchants in the West India Trade.

Eighth.—The Banks are now refusing to pay in Doubloons, and offer Sovereigns or English Silver. The latter I have no doubt may be successfully resisted, but in the absence,

presence, and I may add great want of Law on the subject, I am not sure that the former could, because the argument of custom which would be urged for establishing the value of Doubloons at £4, might also be urged for the Sovereign at 25s. The result is, that the Bank issues, being at present protected by the Sovereign, Doubloons are worth about £4 1s.; Sovereigns 25s.; and Mexican Dollars at 5s. 3d. The latter is influenced by many causes; and I would strongly urge this being left out of the Bill. The present value is caused by the demand for the Commissariat—were they to stop receiving them they would fall to 5s. 2½d., 5s. 2d., or perhaps 5s. 1½d. Their being received at a fixed rate for Duties, causes them also to vary in value according to the rate of Exchange, and quantity in the market.

Ninth.—I do not think this is possible, as there would be so much inconvenience felt by the fractional parts of value given to each, for instance—if the Sovereign is made 25s., the Doubloon would probably be worth £4 and 10½d., and it would then be difficult to come at the proper value of the parts; and then again there are many reasons why I think the Dollar would exclude all the others—refer to No. 2.—I am decidedly for basing the Currency on one particular Coin, and allowing all others to fluctuate, they are sure to find their level; and one great reason for adopting the Sterling is that it is divided with more accuracy in its parts; and if 20s. of English Silver are not in fact worth a Sovereign, we have this security, that they cannot be obtained for less, and are not therefore likely to become a matter of import and cause of depreciation of our Currency, unless they are made a tender in any amount, in which case the Banks will import them to protect their paper and extend their issues, which would have the effect of depreciating our Currency.

Tenth.—I should prefer the Doubloon, because either on this Continent or in England it would pay the larger amount of debt; but it is not possible to say exactly what difference there would be, although always in favor of the Doubloon. At present I think the Doubloon in the United States would have the preference by 2½ per cent. over the Sovereign. In England about 1 per cent. Under ordinary circumstances, however, the Doubloon has about the same advantage in the States as in England, say 1 to 1½ per cent. over the Sovereign.

British Silver would fall far short, because in the United States it would not be received at any thing like its coinage value, and the best means of disposing of it would be by paying it into the Commissariat at a loss of £1 10s. Sterling on every £100, for a Bill at 30 days, and this means is of doubtful continuance. Dollars at 5s. 2½d. are preferable to English Silver, and approximate nearer to the Sovereign, but are too subject to fluctuation to pass currently with it.

Eleventh.—Dollars would probably take the place of the other Coins.

Twelfth.—Continually varying with Foreign Exchange.

Thirteenth.—Dollars would probably take the place of the other Coins, and at all events Doubloons would disappear altogether.

Fourteenth.—Have always understood it to be inferior, and frequently hear of shipments of Columbian Dollars, but seldom of the United States.

Fifteenth.—Yes. The South American Dollar is frequently at a premium of half to one per cent.; it is better Coin, and wanted consequently for remittance.

Sixteenth.—I have always understood there is a considerable allowance for mintage, but do not know precisely how much.

Seventeenth.—There are many Gentlemen present who can answer this question so much better than myself, that I beg to decline.

Examination of M. B. Almon, Esq.

First.—I consider Legislative interference to be at the present time imperatively required, as there is no fixed standard of value, and Money of Account.

Second and Third.—I consider the bill before the Council to be a good one, but do not coincide in the opinion that it is necessary to limit the tender of British Silver Coin, so long as it will be taken at the Commissariat in payment for Bills of Exchange at an equal value with the Sovereign, and so paid by the Imperial Government to the Troops, and in Contract engagements—the Military Chest would thus produce the effect of a Mint, at which Silver would be taken for Gold at a par value. As yet the Government do not supply the Sovereign. I would respectfully suggest that a communication should be had with the

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Home Government on the subject of the supply of British Coins ; because, if likely to be diminished, difficulty might ensue.

A double standard of Gold and Silver I consider best adapted to the wants of this new Country ; to be confined to Gold would, I think, bear hard on the poor debtor. Silver Coin has always been the money of the Province, and also of the adjacent Colonies, and being less convenient than Gold for export, would prove more a fixed standard. I presume the Coins would be valued relatively to each other in contents of pure Gold or Silver, and the established proportions of the one to the other, as it is settled over the Commercial world.

Fourth.—I would recommend British Sterling as the Money of Account, when it can be adopted coterminously with the other British North American Provinces ; and towards its gradual adoption, I approve of the double value given to the three Coins in the Bill.—I am aware that when the period of conversion from Currency to Sterling shall arrive, that prices of commodities in minor transactions will be enhanced in value ; still, I should hope, that this evil would work its own remedy. The par of Halifax with London of 11 1-9 per cent. has long ceased to exist ; the arithmetical result is now tedious, and could be much easier made.

Fifth.—If the Dollar and Doubloon should be assimilated in value to the Sovereign, no practical injury could be sustained by their introduction as legal tenders ; on the contrary, the internal Trade of the Country would thereby be benefitted,—the debtor would receive increased accommodation.

It will be remembered that Coins are the return of commodities exported, and are therefore the balance in the exchange of such with other Countries ; and I would particularly call to the attention of the Committee that the Coins of Great Britain do not flow in here from the course of Trade with the Mother Country inasmuch as the balance is against us ; hence the British Coins from Great Britain would be a forced importation.

Sixth.—I am not aware that any very great *real* advance of premium occurred in these months. About this period the usual supply of Sterling Exchange was not to be had at the Banks ; the scarcity of Money caused the purchase of Bills to be made in Promissory Notes ; the risk and inconvenience involved in this mode caused a higher premium to be demanded and paid.

Seventh.—The demand for Specie arose from the operations of Trade.—About this time, too, there was a tampering in Coin at New-Brunswick, for which place British Silver was required. The export was also the natural consequence of the high rate of Sterling Exchange. The twofold character of Coin, as an article of Merchandise, as well as a standard of value, will be borne in mind ; it is therefore liable to the fluctuation of demand and supply ; and it is impossible to provide by Legislative enactments against a deviation from the par of Exchange, or, more properly speaking, the metallic level,—where, however, this is properly adjusted, the deviation can seldom rise above the cost of transportation ; but it may fall much below.

Eighth.—I consider the value correct.

Ninth.—The operations of Commerce would cause from time to time a variation which might be safely left to its own regulation. The Coins in circulation are always those of least value for the time, as debts will always be paid in the mode which can be most advantageously effected : if assimilated, one Coin of itself cannot throw out the other.

Tenth.—The particular object I might have in view would not alter the value of the Coin. At one time I might require the one, at another time the other—my choice would depend on present circumstances.

Eleventh.—I approve of these values.

Twelfth.—I consider them of equal value.

Thirteenth.—Probably British Silver Coin, from its small denominations, being applicable to various transactions ; another powerful reason for its substitution as a medium of Exchange, after an understanding with the Home Government.

Fourteenth & Fifteenth.—I am under the impression that the intrinsic value of the Dollar of the United States is less than that of South America,—the latter is required for the export Trade.

Sixteenth.—The intrinsic value of British Silver Coin, as compared with Gold, is less, arising:

arising from the seignorage. By the Act 56, Geo. 4. Cap. 68, the pound troy of Silver worth, at 5s. 2d. the oz., sixty-two shillings, is re-issued to the public in Coin at 66s per lb., being a depreciation of 4s. per lb., or a gain to the Government of about 6½ per cent.

Seventeenth.—Chiefly, I believe, Dollars and Bits, which are parts of the Dollar cut therefrom. Gentlemen who are more conversant with the West India Trade will better reply to this question.

Examination of David Allison, Esq.

First.—The present state of the Currency of this Province is such as to require Legislative interference—there being no legal tender, (except the British Sovereign), nor any Law to establish the true relation between Sterling and Halifax Currency. I believe, a Proclamation, issued many years ago, is still in force, under which, Debts contracted in Sterling, may be paid in Dollars at 4s. 4d. Sterling each.

Second.—I think the Bill might be amended by introducing a Clause making British Sterling the Money of Account, after a certain period—say the 1st January, 1843. To prevent any question, as to the true value of Foreign Coins, it might be better to name in the Act those Doubloons and Dollars which have been ascertained to be of full weight and fineness, omitting such as are of doubtful purity.

Third.—British Silver should be limited as a legal tender to £2 Sterling, as in Great Britain.

Fourth.—I think it will be decidedly advantageous and convenient to adopt British Sterling as the Money of Account in this Province. It is known to be a favorite object with the British Government, and several of the Colonies have already adopted it—it would greatly facilitate our transactions with Foreign Countries, in all of which Sterling Money is well known, but not so Halifax Currency. I think that Nova-Scotia should set the example to the other North American Colonies, as the transition will be easier—the rule of conversion being so simple.

Fifth.—I apprehend a great difficulty in making British Money the only legal tender in the Colonies. Our Trade does not supply us with British Coin, and I believe it to be more convenient to Government to send Foreign Coins to her Colonies, to pay her annual charges, than the British Sovereign, of which it is desirable to retain as many in the Bank of England as possible. All the other Colonies on this Continent have a Silver Standard; and it is not to be expected that Government will send Sovereigns to Nova-Scotia only.—A Treasury Minute was sent out to the West Indies four years ago, declaring the sterling value of the Doubloon and the Dollar, for the purpose of making them a legal tender in those Islands; and I can see no reason why we should reject a system recommended on such high authority. I do not anticipate any practical inconvenience from adopting the double standard.

Sixth.—Bills of Exchange have fluctuated from 15 to 10½ per cent—there was an excessive import in the early part of last year; and June and July are the months when a large amount of Bills is always required. Instead of receiving remittances in Bills from the West Indies and Canada, we had imported largely of the produce of those Colonies, as well as from Great Britain and the United States. By the depression in Shipping and the Timber Trade, we were also deprived of the usual remittances from the Eastern Sections of this Province and New Brunswick. Our Trade was thus for a time placed in a false position; and it is my belief that had the Banks then met the demand for Bills, by drawing to a liberal extent, at the rates now current, they would have checked the demand for specie, would have afforded great accommodation to the public, and would have realised a fair profit on the transaction by purchasing Bills again when they became more abundant, and the demand had abated—the decline in the rate between August and October was actually 4 per cent., but so great a fluctuation should never occur in a healthy state of Trade; and I believe that fixing a legal value to Foreign Coins will have a tendency to prevent its recurrence.

Seventh.—I attribute the demand for Specie principally to the high rate of Exchange at the period referred to, in consequence of which it was required for remittances abroad.

Eighth.—The current price of the Sovereign is 25s., the Doubloon £4, and the Dollar 5s. 2½ and 5s. 3d. A small premium would be given for Doubloons when offered to any considerable amount.

Ninth.—These Coins being rated here according to their true relative value, the operations of our Trade would have a tendency to throw the Doubloon out of circulation, because, in the United States, to which we send more Specie than to any other Country, Gold is over-valued with reference to Silver as compared with the Coinage of Great Britain. Dollars are also supplied by our Trade with the West Indies to a moderate extent, and by Government for the payment of the Troops, but Doubloons are very rarely imported.

Tenth.—At present I should gain 1 per cent. more by requiring Doubloons than the Sovereign; and 4-5ths of 1 per cent. by taking the Dollar in preference to the Sovereign. British Silver is practically 1½ per cent inferior to the Sovereign, although intrinsically the difference is between 6 and 7 per cent.

Eleventh.—I presume these relative values are intrinsically correct, being the same as assigned to these Coins in the Treasury Minute. The market value of each, and particularly the Foreign Coins, will be subject to slight variations.

Twelfth.—It cannot be expected that these Coins will always be convertible the one into the other; but no difference of any magnitude can arise, except the amount to be exchanged be very large, and the interests of the poorer or middling classes cannot therefore be injuriously affected by using a double standard.

Thirteenth.—The Dollar, because it is the only Coin we receive in payment for our Exports abroad, and is supplied by Government for payment of the Troops.

Fourteenth.—The United States Dollar contains the quantity of pure Silver stated in the Bill—the Central and South American Dollars (with some exceptions) contain a few grains more—the United States Half Dollar is said to contain a greater portion of alloy.

Fifteenth.—The South American and Mexican Dollars are generally worth a trifling premium in the United States, because, I presume, they are more in demand for export.

Sixteenth.—British Silver is inferior in value to the Sovereign by 6½ per cent., being the seignorage retained by Government on its coinage.

Seventeenth.—The Dollar is now more abundant than any other Coin in the West India Islands. Government supplies this Coin for the payment of its disbursements, and the Colonial Bank is required by its Charter to redeem its issues in Dollars of “acknowledged weight and fineness.”

Gold is more sought after to purchase produce in the Spanish Colonies, and bears a small premium with reference to Silver, and is also relatively higher in the United States.

I am of opinion that making Dollars a legal tender here at a fixed rate would facilitate their importation.

Question by the Honorable the Attorney General.

Would there be any practical difficulty in allowing British Silver to be made a legal tender to an unlimited amount?

I think there would. It would certainly depreciate our circulation to the extent of 1½ per cent., the rate at which it is now received at the Commissariat, and in distant parts of the Province where the same facilities for converting it into Bills on the Treasury do not exist, the loss to the Creditor might reach 6 or 7 per cent., or the full measure of its depreciation compared with the Sovereign. It would in fact become the basis of our circulation, and I am decidedly of opinion that it would be opposed to sound principle to adopt such a measure.

Examination of John Edward Srarr, Esq.

First.—The state of the Currency is such that I think a Law necessary to define and establish the value of Coins in circulation. The Doubloon appearing now to be the only one that is considered a legal tender at Four Pounds Currency.

Second.—I have not seen the Bill now before the Council, but am satisfied that an Act is necessary to set at rest the conflicting opinions regarding the Currency,—all the evils of which fall more particularly upon the Mercantile part of the Community.

Third

Third.—British Silver being the Coin of the Realm, and received in all cases by the Commissariat Department to any extent, I think should not be limited in any sum as a tender. It is never refused in any sum as a payment; and the only difficulty now felt by the Community is, that sufficient cannot be obtained even for the purposes of change.

Fourth.—Sterling Money has been introduced in the Islands of Jamaica and Bermuda, with some opposition, but with perfect success. Such a measure, if adopted here, provided due care is taken to protect the Debtor under the present system, would be a most healthy amendment; and, in making such an alteration, I would recommend Jamaica as a guide. For instance, the old Currency in Jamaica was as follow:—Three Dollars to the Pound—Dobloons being £5 6s. 8d. each—Dollars 6s. 8d.—Sovereign 33s. 4d.; but when reduced to Sterling, it made the Doubloon 64s.—Dollar 4s. 2d.—Sovereign 20s.; and, under the Bill, any individual owing £5 6s. 8d. under the old system, a Doubloon would discharge the debt: therefore, if Sterling Money be introduced here, I consider that a debt now due me would be discharged, under any circumstances, by the payment of one hundred Sovereigns—Dobloons at 64s.—and Dollars 4s. 2d. each; and I am satisfied if any other scale be adopted, it will not be just to either Debtor or Creditor.

Fifth.—I think that serious difficulties would arise in making British Money solely a circulating Currency, for this reason—that the Trade of the Province brings in return more Dobloons and Dollars than British Coin. The Mexican Dollars are likewise imported by Government in very large amounts, and are freely circulated; and being received in payment for Imperial Duties, is a powerful reason why a value should be fixed, as well upon Dobloons and British Coins: but if any Coin should be allowed to remain as Bullion, it should be the Doubloon, because it is very liable to fluctuation; it would, however, in my opinion, be better to have a fixed value on all.

Sixth.—The rate of Exchange on London in the Months of June, July, August and September, ranged from 13 to 15 per cent. premium, but declined in October. The fluctuation is caused by circumstances which govern every article of Merchandise, and it is beyond the power of Legislation to alter it.

Seventh.—I do not think that any oppressive demand has existed during the past year for Specie, beyond what must always be expected. When Money is required to remit to distant parts, if Bills of Exchange are beyond their real value, Specie will always be required—this has been the case during the year 1841; but when Exchange fell, the reverse was the case—Specie was freely given for Bills. It is, therefore, at all times, if their capital will permit, in the power of the Banking Institutions to keep the Specie in the Country; but if they encourage high rates of Exchange, their vaults must be used for the purposes of Trade.

Eighth.—The present current price of the Sovereign is 25s.—Dollar 5s. 3d.—Dobloon 80s.

Ninth.—If the Sovereign, Doubloon and Mexican Dollar, are fixed at their true relative value, perhaps the operation of Trade with the neighbouring Republic may at times cause a derangement, but never to any extent that will continue; but if the effect should extend to any one Coin more than the other, it will be the Doubloon, because this Coin, in consequence of a frequent demand for the purposes of Trade in the United States, is often at a value beyond that of other Coins.

Tenth.—If £10,000 was owing me, and I had the privilege of calling for any Coin, it would depend in some measure for what I might want it; but assuming it to be for the internal purposes of Trade, one would be, perhaps, equally as available as the other; but if required for the United States, Dobloons will be preferable, because, at present, their value is greater, in proportion, than the Dollar.

Eleventh.—I consider the Dollar 5s. 2½d.—Sovereign 25s.—Dobloon 80s. Currency, or in Sterling 4s. 2d.—20s.—64s. to be equitable; but, at the same time must add, the liability of the Doubloon to fluctuate, and to go sooner out of circulation.

Twelfth.—This question I consider to be answered in the Eleventh.

Thirteenth.—I think the Dollar would have the greatest circulation, unless Government should cease importing, and bring the Money of Great Britain in lieu of them.

Fourteenth.—I believe, as far as the real value of the Coin, there is but a trifling shade of difference between the American and Mexican Dollar; but as the former is not received at the Customs, or in Government Departments, or not used for the purposes of Trade
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except with the United States, the Mexican is of the greatest value; and in the United States the Mexican, for Trade, are preferred to their own Dollar, and they are consequently, there, of more value.

Fifteenth.—The Mexican Dollar in the United States, as answered above, being an article of Bullion, and suitable for Foreign Trade, is generally at a premium.

Sixteenth.—This is answered in the tenth query.

Seventeenth.—The Coin most abundant in the West Indies is similar to that in circulation here, and for the same reasons. Their Trade with the Continent of America brings forward Dollars and Doubloons; and British Coin is imported from England.

Examination of William B. Fairbanks, Esq.

First.—Yes. It is necessary for the protection of parties to contracts that certain Coins in general circulation should have a value attached to them by Law, and made a legal tender in the discharge of obligations—say the Sovereign, British Silver, Doubloon and Dollar—these being the principal or nearly the only Coins imported into this Province.

Second.—I think the Bill now before the Council, inasmuch as it affixes a value to certain Coins, for the discharge of debts contracted either in Sterling or Currency, a very good one—it is susceptible of amendment by the adoption of Sterling as the Money of Account in this Province—the Money of Account would then be represented by the circulating medium now in use.

Third.—I do not think it necessary to limit British Silver as a legal tender to so small an amount as is contemplated by the Bill, say 20s. Sterling, or 25s. Currency—provided the same can be converted into Government Bills of Exchange at the Commissariat on the same terms as Sovereigns, Doubloons or Dollars—that is to say, if One Hundred Pounds in British Silver will purchase same amount of Bills as One Hundred Sovereigns.

Fourth.—I consider the making British Sterling the Money of Account in this Province will be attended both with convenience and advantage—it would render unnecessary much of the calculation now necessary to be made in the purchase and sale of Bills—the Entries of British and Foreign Invoices and Accounts—the payment of Duties—adjustment of Sterling Freights, &c., and would also enable us to render our Accounts in a Currency more intelligible to our Correspondents abroad, than we can now do. The practice that now exists of adding 11 1-9th per cent. to a Bill, in addition to the premium, is difficult of explanation to a Foreign Correspondent. In all Countries to which our Commerce extends, Sterling is well understood—the Mill-rea of Brazil—the Rouble of Russia—the Rupee of the East Indies, &c. &c., have each a value in Sterling attached to them, whereby our Accounts are adjusted.

Fifth.—I think there would. We neither have had, or are likely to have, a sufficiency of British Money to respond obligations. The Mother Country uses the Dollar and Doubloon for the payment of the Troops; and I think we should be safe, and find it convenient to adopt these Coins at the respective values named in the Treasury Minute, viz: the Dollar at 4s. 2d. Sterling, and the Doubloon at 64s. Sterling, at least for so long a period as such order shall remain in operation, unless we are allowed to discharge our obligations both with Doubloons and Dollars, as well as British Gold, the same inconvenience will continue to exist as hitherto.

Sixth.—From 13½ to 15 per cent. premium, caused by an extensive demand for remittances to meet the payment of heavy importations from Great Britain, and the scarcity of Bills, arising from the depressed state of the British market for Colonial Shipping, Timber, &c.

Seventh.—The scarcity of Specie arose in some measure from the circumstance of the proceeds of our Exports to the West Indies having been invested, during the past year, in Foreign produce, instead of being returned as formerly in the precious metals—Bills of Exchange being also high, Specie was remitted in preference. Large sums were also, I believe, drawn from our Banks in Doubloons by persons in New Brunswick, who made a profit thereon.

Eighth.—Sovereign, 25s. Halifax Currency, or 20s. Sterling—Dollar, 5s. 2½d. and 5s. ¼d. Halifax Currency, 4s. 2d. Sterling—Doubloon, 80s. to 81s. 6d. Halifax Currency, or 4s. Sterling.

Ninth.

Ninth.—The operations of Commerce will, notwithstanding, have some effect upon the values, but not to an extent that would be injuriously felt—the Dollar could be retained—the Sovereign and Doubloon would disappear, particularly the latter, being most in demand, and profitable for exportation.

Tenth.—I should require Doubloons—their marketable value at present being higher than that of the other Coins—they are worth to day, or would sell for 81s. 6d. each, in this place.

Eleventh.—Their relative values I believe to be correct.

Twelfth.—Although their relative intrinsic values be perfectly correct, they would not at all times be convertible the one into the other—the demand for exportation would give an increased value to the one Coin over that of the other.

Thirteenth.—The Dollar would be most in circulation—few or no Doubloons or Sovereigns are now in circulation, although the same values contemplated by the Act now exist.

Fourteenth.—I Believe the intrinsic value to be nearly the same—the Half Dollar is considered less valuable.

Fifteenth.—Yes—for exportation.

Sixteenth.—I believe it to be 6 to 6½ per cent. less in value as compared with the other Coins named in the Bill—but being required for change, and limited as a tender in payment to a moderate amount, no loss of any importance will result from its circulation, more especially if it be redeemable by the Commissary General at the same value as Gold.

Seventeenth.—Dollars, in consequence of the supplies furnished by Government for the payment of the Troops, the course of there Trade, and a less demand existing for them than for Doubloons for exportation.

Examination of N. T. Hill, Esq.

First.—Legislative interference is necessary respecting the Currency of the Country.

Second.—The Bill now before the Council would be a wholesome Law, as it now stands.

Third.—There are so many concurrent causes to prevent a sufficient amount of Sovereigns being kept in the place to meet large demands, that I think British Silver ought not to be limited—at all events, not to so small an amount.

Some of the causes may be stated as the semi-monthly influx of strangers on their way to the Mother Country—all of whom are anxious to take with them as many Sovereigns as the remainder of their cash can command. Another cause is the American Tariff being fixed at \$4 85,—the Sovereign will generally make a fair remittance, and will be in demand for that purpose. Another cause may be stated as that the minimum expense of importing the Sovereign is 1½ per cent., which is established by the Commissariat, requiring £101 10s. Sterling for a Bill on the Treasury at 30 days. The Sovereign is also a Coin of too large a value for the payment of the Troops, and would meet with but a very limited circulation from this source—whereas the British Silver Money would be extensively in use for the purpose.

Fourth.—British Sterling Money should not be exclusively the Money of Account in this Province; partly from the extensive connexion that exists with many Foreign Ports, where the Doubloon and Dollar are the Money of Account; and partly, because those Coins, so long established in this Country, are well understood by all classes of its inhabitants, and would be continued to be received and paid by them without perplexity.

Fifth.—Halifax is the general rendezvous for the Agriculturist and Fisherman from all parts of the Country; and without a fixed value to every Coin in circulation, difficulties would arise in settlement of accounts: par example—Fish are bought by an establishment whose cash transactions pass through a Bank, whose interest and policy it may be to receive and pay the Dollar at 5s. 3d. Currency; the payer takes his money in good faith, but finds that his Creditors account is with a Bank, when 5s. 2½d. is the rate established for the same Coin,—a question arises, and trouble ensues—whereas, at a fixed value, all would be correct,—the same argument applies to Doubloons.

Sixth.—The Halifax Banking Company had not any negotiations in Bills of Exchange during the months named.

Seventh.—It was stated that large sums in Specie were exported to the West India Islands

Islands and Foreign Ports in various speculations; but I cannot speak particularly, as the transaction did not pass through the Halifax Banking Company.

Eighth.—The Sovereign 25s. Currency, the Doubloon £4 Currency, and the Mexican Dollar from 5s. 2½d. to 5s. 3d. Currency, respectively.

Ninth.—The Sovereign, Doubloon and Mexican Dollar, being fixed at their true relative values, will, it is conceived, each maintain their own place in all Commercial operations.

Tenth.—As soon as a Law goes into effect, regulating the Currency of the Country, all difficulty would be obviated respecting a Creditors choice of Coin, for the Debtor would have the option of liquidating the demand against him in such denomination of Coin as he could procure; and at the present rate of circulation, which is the same as contemplated by the Bill, loss would not ensue.

Eleventh.—Dollars being fixed at 5s. 2½d, the Sovereign at 25s., and the Doubloon at 80s. Currency, bear a true and relative value to each other—equal to 4s. 2d., 20s., and 64s. Sterling, respectively.

Twelfth.—All these Coins would be convertible into each other, without any alteration in the amount, except when a particular denomination was required, and then a premium might be expected to induce the holder to make the necessary exchange.

Thirteenth.—For the ordinary purposes of Home circulation there would not be much choice in the Coin used; and for Foreign purposes, it would altogether depend upon the market for which the remittance was required.

Fourteenth.—I am not acquainted with the relative value of the Coins named.

Fifteenth.—Unacquainted with the subject.

Sixteenth.—The intrinsic value of British Silver is relative and just with the value of the Coins named in the Bill.

Seventeenth.—All the Halifax Banking Company's Correspondents in the West India Islands quote Dollars as the Money of Account; but why, I cannot tell.

Examination of Jonathan C. Allison, Esq.

First.—In my opinion it is.

Second.—I think it an excellent Bill, with some trifling exceptions, as it now stands, and one calculated to give satisfaction generally. All with whom I have conversed on the subject (with one single exception) admit the correctness of the Bill in principle; and I am satisfied that it cannot be controverted. I should prefer Sterling, but I consider this as approximating very closely to it.

Third.—It should be limited in amount, but 40s. Sterling, I should think might be allowed without any inconvenience arising from it.

Fourth.—I have already stated that I should prefer Sterling as the Money of Account in this Province; and I do not think that the Country would suffer any inconvenience of consequence in adopting it at once. Jamaica and Bermuda have already done so, and I believe almost without complaint.

Fifth.—Yes. From the nature of our Trade with the British West Indies, and Foreign Countries, I consider it would be of advantage to us to have both the Doubloon and Dollar included in the Bill, at their relative value, as these Coins are more easily procureable there than either Foreign or British Silver; and I cannot see that any disadvantage would arise to this Country by their admission, at the rates stated, say 64s. and 5s. 2½d.

Sixth and 7th.—The rate of Exchange on London during the months of June, July and August, ranged from 13 to 15 per cent. prem.—in September it began to decline, and in October it was down to 11, and in some instances to 10 per cent. for 90 day Bills. Various causes, in my opinion, occasioned this very high rate of premium, among which may be assigned, that we had a very excessive import of West India produce from the Foreign Islands (instead of the returns being brought home in Bills and Specie)—a very large importation likewise from Europe and the United States, and which had to be remitted for about this time. The refusal of the Banks to draw Bills, and the great decline in the Mother Country in the value of Shipping and Timber.

Eighth.—The Sovereign, 25s. Doubloon, 80s. and the Mexican Dollar 5s. 3d.—but the two former will occasionally command a small premium on these rates—say 3d. or 4d. each

each on Sovereigns, and at 1s. and 1s. 6d. each on Doubloons, as wanted. The Banks (with one exception) receive the Dollar at 5s. 3d. each, and they consequently pass current at this rate, but it is rather above their relative value. The reason of the Dollar being current at 5s. 3d. is no doubt owing to the present rate of Exchange on London, as fixed by the Banks, being at 13½ per cent. for 60 day Bills. The Commissariat granting £100 Bill at 30 days for \$480 at 50d. each, which leaving a gain of 13s. 4d. per £100 over and above this increased valuation of the Dollar.

Ninth.—Each description of Coin will in turn command a trifling premium, as wanted for particular purposes, but neither I think will be thrown entirely out of circulation.

Tenth.—I should be governed in my selection entirely by the rate of Exchange on London—at the present moment I should gain most by payment in Doubloons, assuming that I could sell them at 1s. and 1s. 6d. each; but if Exchange rose to 14 per cent. I should gain most by Dollars—the Doubloon giving a profit on £10,000 of £125, and the Dollars, £133 6s. 8d.

Eleventh.—I think the valuation just and equitable—the rates mentioned being their intrinsic value I believe.

Twelfth.—Not always. The Doubloon I think would generally command a small premium, being wanted for the United States markets, where it is required for export to Cuba, &c.

Thirteenth.—The Dollar probably; but I think that Bank Paper would in general form the circulating medium, being always redeemable in Specie.

Fourteenth.—The value of the United States Dollar I believe to be very nearly equal to the Mexican, being of 371 grains pure Silver. The United States Half Dollar I cannot speak with any certainty about, but my impression is that they are inferior in value to the Dollar—they can generally be purchased in the United States Markets at a lower price than Dollars.

Fifteenth.—The Central and South American Dollar bear a trifling premium for export.

Sixteenth.—About 6 and 7 per cent. less than the Sovereign.

Seventeenth.—The Doubloon and Dollar, from the frequent intercourse with the adjacent Foreign Islands, and from the proximity of the West Indies to the Mints of South America.

In answer to questions put by Members of Council.

Making British Silver a tender to any extent would drive out other Coin, but no injury would arise so long as the Commissariat receive it on equal terms with the Sovereign.

No inconvenience will arise from placing the amount of British Silver, to be received as a legal tender, so low as I have named.

If the Commissariat were to issue the British Money, the supply of Specie will flow in from the West Indies, and it may be imported from the United States.

British Coin, either Gold or Silver, does not come here in the course of Trade, it must be imported.

Examination of James Forman, Esq.

First.—I think the present state of the Currency does require the interference of the Legislature.

Second.—It might, in my opinion, be amended by making all the Coins mentioned in it a legal tender to any amount.

Third.—I think it ought not. If British Silver be limited in its amount, as a legal tender, it must operate to the injury of the Retailers and Grocers who purchase from the Merchants, and give a Note payable in a certain time from its date. During the period of the Note growing due, Sales are effected in small quantities, and for amounts generally below Twenty Shillings, in which way a large sum is accumulated in British Silver by the time the term of the Note expires. Now, if the Merchant or Bank, where the Note may be lodged for collection, refuses to take the British Silver in payment, the Grocer must exchange at a loss for other Monies, (which, in consequence of this depreciation, have become more valuable) what he has thus collected, and to save himself, will of course add what he may lose in the exchange he makes to the price of the article he sells, so that eventually the loss

loss must fall upon the poorer class, and the labourer, who cannot afford to lay in a large stock of the necessaries of life at one time. It may be said that Dollars will answer the purpose, and take the place of British Silver, but where are the Dollars to come from; and if British Silver is used *under any circumstances*, Dollars being a more valuable Coin, and of larger denomination, will never remain in circulation as change. This is no theoretical notion. I had an opportunity of observing the practical effect of the former law, limiting the tender of British Silver to Forty Shillings; and I am convinced that the same result would again ensue.

Fourth.—I do not see any objection to making British Sterling the Money of Account, if a sufficient time were allowed for all parties to be prepared for the change. All Provincial Treasury Notes and Bank Notes would be required to be called in, and new issues to be made. Various documents would need to be executed anew. It might, and in fact would have the effect of raising the value of articles sold in small quantities. An article for which 2d. or 3d. is now asked, would most probably be still sold at the same price; but this I do not consider an important objection.

Fifth.—I think there would. British Money is never brought here in the course of Trade. We depend principally upon the Imperial Government for it, and the Government never sends Gold for payment of the Troops, but Silver only. Should the Commissary General refuse to take Silver in payment for Bills of Exchange, it would of consequence become depreciated, and a serious evil might result.

Sixth.—In January and February, 1841, the Bank to which I belong drew on London at 13 per ct., from 60 days sight—in March, at 13½ per ct. A few Bills were drawn during the intermediate period from May to December, at different rates of premium. In December we drew at 13½ per ct. I am not aware that the rate of Exchange was particularly high during the months adverted to. It was somewhat higher than usual, probably one half to one per cent., owing to an advance in the United States, and the Banks not drawing; and also, during the period referred to, the principal returns from the West Indies and other parts were in produce: neither Bills nor Specie were brought into the market. We cannot always account for the rise and fall on Exchange. It is affected in various ways—by a superabundance or scarcity of either Bills or Specie; sometimes return payments are made altogether in Bills—sometimes in Specie, and at other times in Produce.

Seventh.—Partly owing to the scarcity of Bills of Exchange, and partly to the temporary raising the value of Specie in New-Brunswick, and other casualties, which caused it to be exported both for the payment of debts, and for purposes of speculation.

Eighth.—At the Bank of Nova-Scotia, Sovereigns are received at 25s.—Doublons at 80s.—and Dollars at 5s. 2½d. The Dollar is, I believe, taken in the Retail Stores, and as Change, at 5s. 3d.

Ninth.—If all Coins were regulated according to their true relative values, I do not see how any of them can be thrown by the others out of circulation. The exportation of particular Coins will of course depend upon contingencies, which no Legislative enactments can control—Specie having a marketable as well as an intrinsic value; and hence one Coin may at certain times be more in demand than the others.

Tenth.—I should decidedly prefer the Gold Coins and Dollar to British Silver at 25s.; but I cannot state the gain or loss which might result, as that would depend altogether on particular circumstances. It might be that British Silver would suit my purpose as well as any other Coin.

Eleventh.—I think those as nearly as possible the relative proportionate value of the Dollar, Sovereign and Doubloon.

Twelfth.—Coins are seldom convertible at their par value. One Coin will vary in its marketable value to others, as it may be wanted for the purposes of Trade. A person having no immediate use for his money, will, of course, keep that which is most valuable by him.

Thirteenth.—British Silver being of the smallest denomination, principally composed of Shillings and Sixpences, would most freely circulate; the smaller Coins answering the purposes of change better, always circulate more freely than the larger or more valuable.

Fourteenth.—No farther than that the American Dollar being fixed by Law at one tenth of the Eagle, and the Eagle being intrinsically worth £2 1s. 0½d. Sterling; if of equal fineness, it will be of nearly equal value with the Mexican and old Spanish.

Fifteenth.

Fifteenth.—They generally bear a small premium. They answer the purposes of Trade better.

Sixteenth.—British Silver is taken at the Bank of England in large quantities, at a discount of 10 per cent. It is issued from the Mint, retaining $6\frac{1}{2}$ per cent for Seignorage—that is, the lb. troy of Standard Silver is cut into 66s.—the Mint valuation of which is 62s.; but the value in the London Market is seldom over 60s. or 5s. Sterling per ounce. If the Commissary General would grant Bills of Exchange for every £100 instead of £101 10s. of British Silver, I am inclined to think it would pass at 25s. freely with the other Coins at the rates specified in the 11th Quære. My reason for thinking so is, that the Bill is not only equal to so many Sovereigns in London, but because British Government Exchange is considered equivalent to Specie throughout all North America and the United States, and I might say over the whole world. As the Commissary General, however, requires £101 10s. for every £100 Sterling, which is of course, on his part, receiving the Silver at a discount, it cannot be considered of equal value with those Coins which are taken by him at their par value, as compared with Standard Silver *received* at the Mint. A considerable difficulty must exist in fixing the value of British Silver in relation to other Coins, because it bears a character different from any of them, so long as the Commissary General has instruction to receive it for Bills of Exchange. Compared with Dollars, it is not worth, intrinsically, nearly so much, and yet if made to pass at its relative value to the Dollar, a Bill of Exchange, payable in Sovereigns in London, could be procured with it on far better terms than with Dollars, or any of the other Coins. There are therefore many difficulties attending this matter, which are not very easily surmounted; and yet I myself feel convinced that it would be a very great error in judgment to pass it by, or even to limit it in its amount as a tender. Moreover, in a poor Country like Nova-Scotia, having no Mint or Coin of its own, but depending altogether on its Trade for its Specie, I am of opinion that all description of Coin should be a legal tender,—the only consideration in my mind is the rates at which they ought to be fixed.

Seventeenth.—Doubloons and Dollars, mostly the latter, and few of the former—owing, I presume, to their trade; but I do not feel myself competent to answer this question. British Silver might be made a legal tender at 25s. per £, to the extent of £5, and over that amount, at 24s. I do not imagine that any inconvenience would result from such an arrangement.

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	112 10 9
Bills of Exchange at 60 days sight, $13\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. premium	15 3 9
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	127 14 6
Add for 60 days sight	
15 days transit of Bill	
15 days “ of Coin	
90 days or 3 months interest	1 18 4
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£100 British Silver worth in Halifax	129 12 10
	125 0 0
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	£4 12 10

£125—£4 12s. 10d.; 100—£3 14s. 3d., about $3\frac{3}{4}$ d. per cent. According as the Silver may be reduced in value in Halifax, so will the per centage increase.

* Had the usual Commission been charged, a full quarter per cent. might be added.

In answer to questions from Members of Council.

If any Coin is over valued it will come into general circulation. British Silver is intrinsically inferior to the Sovereign.

We must depend on British Silver for a circulation, it is imported by the Commissariat. We receive British Silver at our Bank in large quantities.

The value of British Silver depends on the Commissariat receiving it for Bills.

The expense of importing Gold or Silver, is about 3¼d. per ounce—a statement is subjoined to my answers.

The same when exported from South America and Mexico.

Examination of W. Pryor, Esq.

First.—As I have understood there is, at present, no Law regulating our Money of Account, I think a Law for that purpose would be highly desirable.

Second.—I am inclined to think that if the Bill now before the Council becomes Law, it will occasion more difficulty in our Trade than has been apprehended by most of those Gentlemen who have preceded me. From the nature of our Trade, and the position we hold in the Commercial World, the Bill should only fix our Money of Account based upon the British Standard—or, in other words, make British Sterling simply the Money of Account, and British Coin, if possible, (for here I apprehend lies the difficulty,) the Current Coin, leaving all the Current Foreign Coins at their marketable value. I think that it has been abundantly proved, from long experience in all the British Colonies, that no Current Coin can be retained in circulation at a fixed value by Law. In the West Indies they have tried it, in every possible way—the Dollar has been fixed, at different times, and in the various Islands, at different Current values. It has been stamped, it has had a hole cut in the middle of it, it has been cut in quarters, and into bits, without effecting the purpose. In Newfoundland alone has it ever been effected for any period—and that Colony is peculiarly situated, having, as it were, a Mine and a Mint in its inexhaustible Fishery—and even there, of late years, as their Trade has enlarged, and opened to the world, (formerly it was more exclusive,) they find the same difficulty—their Currency and their Trade this last year has been much disturbed, and there was no possibility of selling any article for payment in Coin.

Third.—I cannot perceive any good reason to limit the amount, other than the smaller Coins. The great difficulty I apprehend will be in getting and keeping enough of it in circulation.

Fourth.—I have already expressed myself favourable to this measure. The whole Commercial World, North, South, East and West, by mutual consent, and for mutual convenience, recognize Sterling as the standard or measure of value of all articles and of all Coins. If, for example, a Merchant orders Sugar or Coffee from Brazil, his limit is so much Sterling per cent. on board—the same to India, China, West Indies, United States or Canada. If I order Coin in return for my Fish Cargo from Brazil, I limit its cost at so much Sterling; and what in all those instances are meant by Sterling is the amount taken out of our Agent's hands in London by the transaction. This being the case, added to our now being brought within 10 or 12 days of the shores of England, the time I think has fully arrived to make British Sterling the Money of Account, and British Coins, as I said before, our circulating medium, if possible.

Fifth.—I do not think that any Coin can be kept in circulation, unless at its marketable value. The small British Coin may circulate to a limited extent.

Sixth.—It ruled from 12½ to 15 per cent. premium. Among the reasons that may be assigned for its high rate, the most evident was the large importations of produce instead of Exchange from West Indies. This produce being locked up in our Warehouses from imprudent investment, the amount had, in mean time, to be met from other sources.

Seventh.—Various causes. The most prominent the increased import of valuable Goods from United States, and call for remittances there—also the high value of Coin abroad generally.

Eighth.—If I had to purchase £500, £1000, I should have to pay for the Sovereign, if obtainable at all, 25s., 25s. 6d.; Doubloon, 81s. and 82s.; Dollar, 5s. 3d.

Ninth.

Ninth.—Under the operation of the Bill before the Council, I think the Dollar would, at present, quickly replace all the other Coins in the vaults of the Bank—I say at present, because the Doubloon may decline in value in United States.

Tenth.—The Doubloon. I would gain 2 to 2½ per cent.

Eleventh.—I think they are, as near as possible, at their proper relative intrinsic value.

Twelfth.—Certainly not—at the present moment.

Thirteenth.—I do not think that any would freely circulate. They are at present, and have been for a long time at and above that value, and have never freely circulated; and this, notwithstanding the large issues of the Commissariat in Dollars.—As soon as they appear in quantity they are bought up.—We have often had great difficulty in collecting sufficient to pay Government Duties.

Fourteenth.—Not particularly; but from the current value of the Mexican Dollar in New York and Boston, I perceive there is 1½ per cent. premium in its favor.

Fifteenth.—The Mexican Dollar; but whether the preference given to it arises from its greater intrinsic value, or from its being a more current Coin abroad, I do not know. I should think the latter.

Sixteenth.—This question is answered in No. 11.

Seventeenth.—The Doubloon, I think, in the Foreign West Indies. In the British Islands, except Jamaica, they write to us there is a great difficulty to get either. Indeed, from Demerara, they write “Cash is as scarce as we ever knew it.—Banks fickle, and discounts uncertain.—Exchange at the Banks for Cash \$476 pr. £100 Sterling,—for Notes \$489.” To Jamaica we lately wrote to send us whichever was most easily and advantageously obtained, and they sent us Doubloons at 1 pr. cent. premium; since then—December—they have advanced to 2 pr. cent. premium.

Examination of the Honorable H. H. Cogswell.

First.—Yea or nay, according to the credit given to the answers to the subsequent queries.

Second.—The Bill will, if passed, give the sanction of Law to public opinion, formed under existing circumstances; and its susceptibility of improvement must be based upon the conjecture, that future contingencies will occur which should be provided for by prospective Legislation. It seems therefore that the Bill is well adapted to suit our present exigencies, except as hereafter mentioned.

Third.—In passing a Bill to give Currency to Foreign Coin, it appears inexpedient to limit the amount which may be made a legal tender in British Silver. The bulk and trouble of counting is as inconvenient to the Debtor as Creditor; and this means of annoyance never would be used but by a Debtor of a character whom his Creditor would probably wish to close his Account with as speedily as possible. An inconvenient quantity of this Coin never can be apprehended for the reasons mentioned in answer to No. 5.

Fourth.—The present appears to be in many respects a favorable time for making British Sterling the Money of Account before any greater divergence takes place in Sterling and Currency. When the variation occurred, giving Currency of 25s. to the Pound Sterling instead of 22s. 2½d., its former relative value—the difference was lost to the Creditor. But this state has continued so long, it would appear to be a wise measure that past debts should be paid at the rate stated in the Bill, and that future contracts should be made payable in Sterling, in Coin at the respective Sterling rates mentioned in the Bill, which in fact is virtually provided for by the Bill.

Fifth.—Probably great difficulties would arise. The Coins of this Continent are Doubloons and Dollars, and they naturally flow to this place in return for its exports, when the produce of the place where the outward cargo is sold, does not afford the prospect of profit. Not One Hundred Pounds of British Coins are imported into this Province in a year in return for its exports. Make it obligatory to pay debts in British Coins, and the Creditor would have it in his power to coerce his Debtor to pay in such Coins; or, by agreement, might take Foreign Coin at less than their current rate—an alternative which wise Legislation will never permit a Creditor to possess.

Sixth.—I cannot state accurately. I believe the rate varied according to the mode of payment, and the supposed soundness of the Bill.

Seventh.

Seventh.—Various causes operated to occasion a scarcity of Specie during the past year. Perhaps the principal cause may be attributed to the still greater scarcity which prevailed in the Foreign Countries, where our Mercantile transactions are most extensive. When it was ascertained that Foreign Produce could be purchased at a very low rate for Specie, great exertions were made to obtain Specie for that purpose. This produced a corresponding desire on the part of holders of Specie to make the most of it, and consequently, its circulation was embarrassed. The Commissary General, instead of importing Money for his Department, drew Bills for Dollars, which so far occasioned the withdrawal of that Coin from circulation, for the purpose of remittances. When our market became overstocked with Foreign Produce, a reaction took place, and our Merchants have recently received Specie and Bills of Exchange in return for their outward Cargoes.

Eighth.—The Sovereign 25s., the Doubloon £4., the Mexican Dollar 5s. 2½d. to 5s. 3d.

Ninth & Tenth.—To illustrate properly the views which these queries call forth, would require a dissertation upon the monetary system; but I shall endeavour to answer as briefly as possible. Money has two characters. It is a Standard or Measure of value to which all other property, real or personal, is subject. This should be permanent and immutable, and would probably be so, were it not that it has also a marketable value. This value is fluctuating, and frequently varies in all Countries, according to the demand and supply. Thus, almost all Coins are occasionally at a premium in the United States; and even their own Gold Eagle is generally so. During the peninsular war, Guineas were at a premium of 6s. or 7s. each, and even the Doubloon was as high as £4 10s. Sterling; but no Country has thought it right to make Coin a legal tender in all dealings between Creditor and Debtor at such marketable value, but as a Standard to legalize only the intrinsic or relative value with other Coins. Therefore, whether a person would sooner receive payment of £10,000 in either of the specified Coins, must depend upon their marketable value at the time, not upon their intrinsic values, which, I presume, are identical or coincident. If, therefore, the marketable value of either Coin should rise above its intrinsic value, because in greater demand in a Foreign Country, to me it appears but reasonable that the persons who require Coins for export should pay the premium, and not subject their Debtors to the expense of the speculation. According to the use to which a Creditor meant to apply his Money, would he prefer payment in either of the Coins specified; but if left to his option he would naturally prefer the Coin least in circulation, as likely to afford him the largest profit. Trading generally puts that Coin into circulation upon which the least prospect of profit offers by hoarding. Gold is generally preferred to Silver for export, on account of its superior portability and safety in transportation. It is also preferred by all persons who wish to retain sums for future emergencies, as less attracting observation. Gold therefore will generally command a small premium.

I will hazard an opinion, which I am aware will to most persons appear startling and paradoxical, (i. e.) that paper is here the Standard of Value, and not the precious metals. I do not mean to say that this seeming absurdity is peculiar to Nova-Scotia. It is more or less incident to every Colonial Possession of the British Empire. However extensive the range of our Mercantile transactions over the globe, yet finally the profits, and even the Capital of retiring Merchants centre in Great Britain, as the safest place of deposit for Widows and Children which the world affords, although other Countries frequently hold out prospects of as safe and far more profitable investment; yet I conceive that if a fair balance were struck between Capitalists in the aggregate, who have invested in England and in Foreign Countries, and the losses in the latter by repudiation, nullification, and a thousand swindling manouvres, such as English Chartists would abhor, were taken into calculation, it will be found that Great Britain has paid, and continues to pay, a larger amount of interest to her Creditors (than almost any other Nation,)—such being, I presume, the present opinion, a large amount of Bills upon England are always in demand. It therefore mainly depends upon the Commissary General which Coin shall here possess the greatest marketable value. Purchases can now be made in Dollars upon the most advantageous terms,—they, therefore, for such purpose, will command 5s. 3d. each. But suppose the Commissariat were to require a large sum in Doubloons, and to meet the emergency would receive them at 65s. or 66s. Sterling in payment, and not receive Dollars, that instant the Doubloon would disengage itself from its relative value, and assume a marketable value far above it; and so of the

the other Coin. This contingency may happen to any one Coin, and if only one shall be made a legal tender, and its marketable price rises, the loss must fall upon the Debtors, if paid in tale, if in Currency, upon the Creditor; and neither contingency is desirable in Legislation. Were an American War to take place, the difference between Currency and Sterling would instantly approximate to its ancient relation, by the rate of Exchange at which Bills would be sold. It is therefore a question of prudence whether now is the proper period to fix the price of the precious metals in settling accounts between Debtor and Creditor. I fear I have explained my views but imperfectly, although with too great prolixity.

Eleventh.—Answered already.

Twelfth.—Yes, except for the reasons before mentioned.

Thirteenth.—That upon which there is the least prospect of profit by retention.

Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth & Seventeenth.—I cannot answer with sufficient accuracy.

Examination of William Lawson, Esq.

First.—The present state of the Currency, from the want of a Law to regulate it, does in my opinion, certainly require Legislative interference.

Second.—If it be the intention of the Legislature not to adopt British Sterling as the Money of Account in this Province, I think that the Bill now before the Council should become Law.

Third.—The limitation of British Silver in amount as a legal tender is, in my opinion, unimportant. I think however, that Five or even Ten Pounds would not be too much.

Fourth.—It has always been my opinion that British Sterling should be the Money of Account in the Colonies—several of which have already adopted it. In Jamaica (with which Island our monetary transactions are by no means insignificant) a measure similar in detail to that involved in the Bill now before the Council, was tried in 1838, and abandoned from its practical defects. British Sterling is there *now* the Money of Account.—The harmony it would produce in our Commercial operations with Great Britain and all Foreign Countries, (in which latter the Monies of Account, although various, are yet always rendered into British Sterling,) must be obvious to all Mercantile Men. Persons about to emigrate to this Country would more readily understand the prices of Land, and the necessaries of life—difficulties which frequently arise with regard to the payment of money advanced abroad, and in the settlement of Contracts for Freight, &c., would be thereby remedied. I cannot conceive that there would be any inconvenience experienced by the change. From the Debtor who owed me yesterday £1000 Currency, I would willingly receive to-day 800 Sovereigns, and I would as willingly pay £500 British Sterling for a property previously purchased at £625 Currency. The effects to the Artisan and Labourer would, I think, be rather advantageous than otherwise, as to avoid minute calculation, the difference in fractional parts would most probably be given in his favor, while, at the same time, the money he received would purchase necessaries for his support in the same ratio as before. I do not, in short, foresee any practical difficulty in the way of its adoption.

Fifth.—I think that British Coins should be exclusively the Money of circulation, leaving Foreign Coins to be bought and sold as Bullion. The Banks would be *bound* to respond their Notes in the former, thus furnishing the necessary circulating medium.

Sixth.—The rate of Exchange on London varied during the Months of June, July, August and September, from 15½ to 14 per cent. This high premium was, I think, caused in a great measure by the decreased value of the usual exports from the Colonies to Great Britain, compared with former years—also by over-investments in the Foreign West Indies, which would otherwise have been remitted here in Bills of Exchange.

Seventh.—I am not aware of any oppressive demand for Specie having existed during the present year. The Banks in Halifax are said to make occasional calls on each other for Specie—this gets up an apparent scarcity *only*. These Institutions, although borrowers from the public to a large amount, have always seemed reluctant, in return for this privilege, to import sufficient Specie to answer the necessary but limited demand. The imprudent investments in Foreign Sugars, &c., in the early part of 1841, doubtless may have prevented, to a small extent, the importation of Specie into Halifax.

Eighth.—The present current price of the Sovereign is 25s.; of the Doubloon, £4; and of the Mexican Dollar, 5s. 3d. Currency.

Ninth.—I am not sufficiently acquainted with the requisite information on this subject, to be enabled to give an answer to this question.

Tenth.—From the Debtor who owed me £10,000 I should demand Dollars at 5s. 2½d.; with Doubloons, at £4; or Sovereigns at 25s.—I could at present make no remunerating operation, but I should convert the Dollars into Government Bills, (the Commissioners furnishing £100 Sterling for every 480 Dollars,) and the transaction would produce the following result:—£10,000 paid in Dollars at 5s. 2½d. would produce \$38,400, which, if invested in Government Bills 480 to the £100 Sterling, makes £8,000 Sterling, which, at the present current premium 14 per cent., would be £10,133 6s. 8d., making a gain £133 6s. 8d. Currency—at 13½ per cent. premium, the gain would be £88 17s 9d. Currency.

Eleventh.—I am of opinion that the Dollar at 5s. 2½d. is placed below the value of the Sovereign at 25s., and Doubloon at 80s. I repeat that I think no fixed value should be given to the Dollar or Doubloon.

Twelfth.—No. Because the value of the Doubloon and Dollar is liable to constant change. The Sovereign may be said to vary a little at times according to the rate of Exchange, but it is the general opinion that 25s. Currency is its just average value.

Thirteenth.—The Sovereign and British Silver first, Doubloon next, and Dollar last—the latter at 5s. 2½d. would generally serve as an eligible remittance to the United States, and are frequently sent to Newfoundland, (where, by a singular usage, they pass for 5s. Sterling,) for the purchase of Exchange on England.

Fourteenth.—I am not particularly. I have always understood that the American Dollar and Half Dollar is less in intrinsic value than the Central and South American Coin.

Fifteenth.—That Central and South American Dollars generally bring a premium in the United States. The reason, I should think is, that the American Coinage is not more than sufficient for internal circulation, and not considered so valuable, or so well known abroad.

Sixteenth.—As before stated, I am not sufficiently acquainted with the assay of the precious metals, to give an answer to this question.

Seventeenth.—The Doubloon—from their proximity and intercourse with the Spanish, Mexican, South American Colonies and States.

APPENDIX No. 5.

(See Page 25.)

The Joint Committee of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, appointed to examine the Public Accounts, report as follows:

TREASURER OF THE PROVINCE.

His Accounts to 31st December last have been received. Balance in his hands to that date £17287 19 4

COLLECTORS OF IMPOST AND EXCISE.

HALIFAX.

His Accounts received to 31st December last. Balance in his hands 36789 9 6

LIVERPOOL.

His Accounts received. Balance Bonds in his hands, per statement furnished 794 8 6

LUNENBURG.

His Accounts received. Balance Bonds in his hands, per statement furnished 1574 12 2

By the above statement it appears some of the Bonds have been long due, and ought to be collected.

SHELBURNE.

No Account.

BARRINGTON.

No Account.

YARMOUTH

His Account received. Balance	YARMOUTH.	£333 7 4
His Account received. Balance	ARGYLE.	0 17 2
No Account.	WEYMOUTH.	
No Account.	BRIER ISLAND.	
No Account, 1841. Balance as reported last year	DIGBY.	82 3 5
His Account received, and amount in full paid in.	ANNAPOLIS.	
His Account received. Balance	KING'S.	159 13 0
No Account.	HANTS.	
His Account received. Balance	CUMBERLAND.	197 10 4
His Account received. Balance	PUGWASH AND WALLACE.	85 7 7
No Account.	TATAMAGOUCHE.	
His Account received. Balance	PICTOU.	2328 14 10
His Account received. Balance	ARICHAT.	1135 0 0
No Account.	ANTIGONISH.	
His Account received. Balance as corrected	GUYSBOROUGH.	37 14 3
His Account received, and amount in full paid in.	COLCHESTER.	
No Account.	CHESTER.	
No Account.	PORT HOOD.	
His Account received—Balance	SYDNEY, C. B.	338 13 10

COLLECTORS OF LIGHT DUTY.

Collected £1453 8 3. Paid £1453 8 3.	HALIFAX.	
Collected £46 18 0. Paid £46 18 0.	LUNENBURG.	
Collected £162 16 4. Paid £162 16 4.	LIVERPOOL.	
Collected £48 12 2. Paid £30 15 0. Due	ARGYLE.	17 17 2
For Balance reported last year. Paid £256 0 0.	YARMOUTH.	
No Account or Remittance for 1841.		
Collected £31 15 6. Paid £17 0 0. Due	BRIER ISLAND.	14 15 6
Collected £19 17 9. Paid £19 17 9.	ANNAPOLIS.	
Collected £12 0 6. Paid £12 0 6.	CORNWALLIS.	

Pictou

	PICTOU.				
Collected	£501 15 1.	Paid	£429 0 6.	Due	£72 14 7
			GUYSBOROUGH.		
Collected	£11 2 0.	Paid	£0 0 0.	Due	11 2 0
			PUGWASH AND WALLACE.		
Collected	£23 3 6.	Paid	£11 0 0.	Due	12 3 6
			AMHERST.		
Collected	£17 15 2.	Paid	£17 15 2.		
			CUT OF CANSO.		
Collected	£277 9 8.	Paid	£234.	Over Paid	£6 10 4.
The Collector, Mr. Hadley, has not charged a Commission, but it is understood he will appeal to the Legislature for remuneration to cover his heavy Expences.					
			LITTLE CANSO.		
Collected	£78 17 9.	Paid	£58 16 8.	Due	14 15 6
			ARICHAT.		
Collected	£42 3 2.	Paid	£42 3 2.		
			SYDNEY, C. B.		
Collected	£568 6 8.	Paid	£567 5 6.	Due	1 1 2
The following Collectors have neither furnished their Accounts nor forwarded any remittance, viz : Hants, Chester, Lunenburg, Barrington, Weymouth, Digby, Colchester, Antigonish and Shelburne.					

COMMISSIONERS OF LIGHT HOUSES.

Their Account to the 31st Dec. last received, amount				4580 11 9
They received from the Treasurer of the Province	4277	6	9	
Ditto from New-Brunswick for Seal Island Light	130	0	5	
Ditto from ditto for Brier Island Light	100	0	0	
Ditto for Oil Casks, &c. sold	73	4	7	4580 11 9
The Total Expense of supporting the Lights (exclusive of Buildings) the past year, has been per above account	4580	11	9	
The Receipt on Account of those Expenses have been from ordinary collections	3410	11	0	
From Canada and New-Brunswick, their proportion of expense of St. Paul and Scatarie Lights	1165	9	5	
From New-Brunswick for Seal and Brier Island	230	0	5	
				<u>4806 0 10</u>
Shewing a balance of £225 9 1 in favor of Receipts, exclusive of a very considerable amount that must be in the hands of Out-port Collectors, who have not made their Returns.				
Their is due from New-Brunswick for proportion of expenses				
Seal Island Light 1841	63	15	0	
Ditto for do. for Brier Island	100	0	0	
Ditto from do. for St. Paul's and Scatarie	396	12	6	
Ditto from Canada for do. do.	793	5	1	
Ditto from P. E. Island, including balance of 1840	77	11	11	
				<u>1431 4 6</u>
Included in the above is the cost of two Life Boats for St. Paul's and Scatarie, £198 8 9, which was specially provided for by a grant of 1841.				

CUSTOM-HOUSE.

There has been paid in from this Department to 31st December, 1841				
Premium on Dollars	33066	10	0	
	1457	10	0	
				<u>34524 0 0</u>
				ANNAPOLIS

ANNAPOLIS LOAN OFFICE.

The Balance as reported last year still due £35 5 2

SABLE ISLAND.

The Commissioners Accounts to 31st December last have been received.
Balance in Treasurer's hands 1736 9 2

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

The Commissioners Accounts to 31st December last have been received,
by which it appears there has been expended the past year on
Government House £431 8 5
On Province Building 175 4 7
On Commissions 30 6 8

636 19 8

FUNDED DEBT.

Balance of amounts funded in 1834, 35, 36—5 per cent. 27026 0 0
Funded in 1836 at 4 per cent. 10000 0 0

£37026 0 0

Transferred of this to Saving's Bank 3000 0 0

£34026 0 0

Funded in Saving's Bank 31st December 1841, 5 per cent. 20000 0 0
Ditto do. do. 4½ do. 3000 0 0

£57026 0 0

Total Funded Debt

PROVINCE NOTES.

Amount in circulation 31st December, 1841 £59968 10 0

PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA,

DR.

To this sum undrawn on account of Roads, Bridges, and other services, per
Abstract £7958 9 2
To Loan Certificates due sundry persons, including £23000 from Saving's
Bank 57026 0 0
To Province Notes in circulation 59968 10 0
To Commissioners of Public Buildings 633 7 8
To Vote to Sable Island, one year 400 0 0

£125986 6 10

CONTRA,

CR.

By Balance in the hands of the Treasurer £17287 19 4
do. do. do. on account of Sable Island 1736 9 2
Loan to Dalhousie College 5000 0 0
Loan to County Annapolis. Balance 35 5 2
Due by Collectors of Light Duty 144 9 5
Securities in the hands of the Collectors of Excise, Ha-
lifax £36789 9 6
Out-ports 7068 2 5

43857 11 11

Deduct probable Drawbacks 3857 11 11

40000 0 0

Due from New Brunswick in aid of Seal Island and Brier Island
Lights, annual 100 0 0

Due

Due from New Brunswick in aid of St. Paul's and Scatarie Lights, annual £250, surplus expences £146 12 6	£396 12 6
From Canada, in aid of same, annual £500, surplus £293 5 1	793 5 1
P. E. Island, in aid of same (1840) £30, (1841) £30, £17 11 11	77 11 11
Balance due on Loan to Poor Settlers	2190 5 2
Due for Seed Grain sold, 1839	26 5 3
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	£67788 3 0
Balance	58198 3 10
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	£125986 6 10

The Committee have been prevented from a satisfactory discharge of their duty by the absence of Accounts or Returns from many of the Out-port Collectors, as well those of Impost and Excise as of Light Duty, rendering it impracticable to form accurate conclusions as to the full amount received from either source, or to judge of the conduct of those Officers whose Accounts have not come forward. The Committee conceive that no reasonable excuse can be urged for their Accounts not being duly transmitted before 20th January, in every year; and they suggest that effective measures should be taken to prevent the recurrence of similar delay.

The Committee have again to recommend that the several Out-port Collectors of Excise should be required to furnish, with their yearly Accounts, a statement specifying the amount of Bonds in hand at the end of the year, with their dates, names of parties, and the amount of each Bond respectively:—This has been done but in two cases the past year, viz: Liverpool and Lunenburg. In some instances large Balances appear against Out-port Collectors of Excise, which have been of long standing, and are annually increasing, which they think ought not to be allowed, and recommend that the attention of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be directed to the subject, and that he be respectfully requested to direct the proper Officer to enter into correspondence with the Officers thus delinquent, and demand their explanation.

Committee Room, 7th February, 1842.

MICHAEL TOBIN, Junr.
JOHN MORTON,
HUGH BELL,

} Committee of
Legislative
Council.

THOS. A. S. DEWOLF, } Committee
WM. STAIRS, } of the
JOHN J. MARSHALL, } House
R. J. FORRESTALL, } of
J. B. HOLDSWORTH, } Assembly.

Abstract of Monies appropriated for Roads and Bridges, and other Services, during the Session 1841, but which are yet undrawn, 31st December, 1841.

HALIFAX COUNTY.			
No.	8 Charles Gray	£10	0 0
	44 Robt. Dickey	10	0 0
	47 John Benvie	5	0 0
	53 John Fairbanks	9	6 0
		<hr/>	34 6 0
COLCHESTER.			
No.	62 No Commissioner	£20	0 0
	68 Robert Marsh	5	0 0
	75 William Sutherland	8	0 0
	121 John Dickson	6	0 0
	143 Robert Spencer	5	0 0
		<hr/>	44 0 0
PICTOU.			
No.	167 James Henderson	£5	0 0
	226 Donald McKinnon	5	0 0
		<hr/>	10 0 0
			CUMBERLAND.

CUMBERLAND.

No. 272 Alexander Tate	£5	0	0	
307 John Munro	10	0	0	
340 Robert McElman	3	0	0	
341 James Chappell	24	0	0	
344 Francis Oragan	10	0	0	
346 Michael Gordon	12	0	0	
355 Ebenezer Miriam	8	0	0	
359 Dennis McNamara	7	0	0	
376 Calvin Reid	130	0	0	
				£209 0 0

KING'S.

No. 403 James Forsyth, junr.	£10	0	0	
488 Morrison	6	0	0	
				16 0 0

SYDNEY.

No. 527 Dugald Boyd	£10	0	0	
550 John Fraser	7	10	0	
				17 10 0

YARMOUTH.

No. 745 John Burke	£15	0	0	
				15 0 0

QUEEN'S.

No. 835 Robert McDonald	£10	0	0	
				10 0 0

HANTS.

No. 962 James Kenty	£5	0	0	
265 William Songster	54	0	0	
978 Daniel Wier	105	0	0	
				164 0 0
Inverness County	440	0	0	440 0 0
Cape Breton	345	0	0	345 0 0

£1304 16 0

Of the £26,000, granted by the Act of 1840 for the Main Post Roads, £9,651 8s. 7d. has been expended the present year, in addition to £14,296 expended in 1840; there remains of the original sum, to be expended in 1842,

2052 11 5

Of £6,000, granted in the Session of 1841 for the Main Post Roads, there has been expended £5,931 17s. 2d., leaving to be expended

68 2 10

£3425 10 3

Of the Grant to Bridewell, 1840, of £4,000 to be expended this year (1842)

£1000 0 0

Of Grant 1841, of £2,000 to be expended in 1842

2000 0 0

3000 0 0

For Light Houses in Basin Mines, from Grants 1840 and 1841

1109 18 11

For Breakwater at Green Cove, Yarmouth, per vote 1841

100 0 0

For Breakwater at French Cross at Aylesford, per vote in 1841

100 0 0

For Breakwater at Specht's Cove, Digby County, per vote in 1841

50 0 0

For Breakwater at Meteghan River, per vote 1841

50 0 0

For Breakwater at Lewis' Head do.

50 0 0

For Breakwater at Broad Cove do.

43 0 0

For

For opening a Passage between Lennox Passage and
Little Arichat Harbour, per vote 1841

£30 0 0

£7958 9 2

Committee Room, 5th February, 1842.

MICHL. TOBIN, Junr. } Committee of
JOHN MORTON, } the Legislative
HUGH BELL, } Council.

THOS. A. S. DEWOLF, } Committee
WM. STAIRS, } of the
JOHN J. MARSHALL, } House
RICHD. J. FORRESTALL, } of
JAMES B. HOLDSWORTH, } Assembly.

APPENDIX No. 6.

(See Page 30.)

Memorandum respecting the Indians of Nova-Scotia.

The Indian population, as nearly as it can be ascertained, may be estimated at about 1400 souls or 350 families. It has been rapidly decreasing for many years past, but as no record of it at different periods can be consulted, the ratio of the annual decrease cannot be ascertained, but that it has been lamentably great is beyond doubt. Mr. Wilkins says "that about the year 1798, there were probably 800 Indians in the County of Pictou, a "sober and peaceable people, innocently pursuing their wild mode of life. There are now "not more than 70 adults, and 20 or 30 children in the habit of resorting there. As the "Country became settled, and their hunting grounds were destroyed, they began to acquire "habits of vagrancy and intemperance, and their numbers rapidly diminished, principally "from disease, the consequence of drunkenness, and probably in some trifling degree from "imigration."

The greater part of these poor people are reduced to the lowest state of degradation and misery. With the destruction of their hunting grounds they seem to have lost all energy, native pride and self-respect, and they are become, with but a few exceptions, beggars and drunkards. The aged and sickly are beyond description wretched—nor are the stronger free from much suffering, occasioned chiefly by the number of helpless relatives they have to drag about—some worn out with age, some blind, and others crippled with rheumatism, or pining in consumption. This heavy weight cramps their exertions, both in hunting and fishing, more especially as the increasing scarcity of game renders frequent removals necessary.

Their moral condition is very low. Formerly an Indian's word might be relied upon, and his honesty was proverbial, but they have been so abused and maltreated by the white inhabitants, and so scandalously taken advantage of in all their dealings, that they have at length learned to cheat and deceive.

They are all baptized into the Church of Rome, but their perceptions of Christianity are exceedingly obscure. None are able to read, and they have declined the few offers of instruction which have been made them.

The Abbé Sigoyne, who has had the spiritual charge of the Indians throughout the whole of the Western part of the Province for the last forty-five years, states that "in general "they are so much in distress, their depravity and ignorance are such, the bodily infirmi- "ties of many so great, that, in my opinion, there is but faint hope of success in the trying "to bring them to a civilized life. Their habits for the most part are irregular and licenti- "ous. Drunkenness is too common, especially among the young—the female sex even is "not free from that vice which is one of the principal causes of their infirmity and poverty. "The young generation is quite ignorant, and not disposed for information. The old heads of "Families have not been careful to instruct their children in what they knew themselves, "so that the knowledge of Religion is much on its decline amongst them, notwithstanding "my efforts, which are not sufficiently attended to by them."

These remarks apply but too well to the Indians in other parts of the Province. Hap- pily,

pily, however, there would seem to be some ground for anticipating an early and important improvement in their moral condition.

By a Return just received, it appears that of the 110 Indians, young and old, settled at Pomquet and Little River, in the County of Sydney, 82 have taken the Temperance Pledge; and, as drunkenness is their principal vice, and one great cause of their present misery, it may be hoped, if the efforts which their Priests are now doubtless using to make the Indians generally comprehend the solemnity of that pledge, and to induce them to take it should prove successful, that a most beneficial change in their character and habits would soon follow.

Most Colonies have done something for the relief of this class of their people, but the Records of Nova-Scotia hardly shew any intention of the kind. Lands indeed were many years since reserved for the Indians in various parts of the Province, but no encouragement until very recently was held out to them to settle and cultivate the soil, and the Legislature have annually granted a small sum to purchase Blankets for the old and helpless; but beyond this little has been attempted for the relief or civilization of this unfortunate race till 1828, when, at the instance of the late Judge Wiswall, (the best friend the Indians ever had in this Province,) a Tract of Land on Bear River, in the County of Annapolis, selected by themselves, for the many advantages it, in their eyes, possessed, and on which about twenty families had expressed a desire to settle, was procured for them by Sir James Kempt. It was laid out into 20 Lots of 30 Acres each, so distinctly marked that there was no mistaking one Lot for another. The Indians soon took possession of this Tract, and each family commenced improving its own Lot, being assisted for the three first years by Government with Tools, Seeds and Provisions, when absolutely necessary. A small Chapel was also built for them. For sometime they exhibited a very laudable constancy, and in 1831 Judge Wiswall reported that the experiment had succeeded far beyond his expectations. The families which composed it were then healthy and happy, each one had made a good clearing, and raised a fair crop of Potatoes and other Vegetables, which they carefully preserved in Frost Proof Cellars, and the poor creatures were pleased with the prospect of becoming able, like white men, to secure a subsistence from the soil. But this happy state of things was soon to end. Their best friend, Judge Wiswall, died—their beloved Priest, Abbé Sigoyne, living at a distance of 20 miles, was rendered unable, by his age and infirmities, to visit them—their Chief, André Meuse, (who went twice to England,) became dissolute and drunken, and had even pawned for drink a pretty Medallion which Queen Adelaide had graciously presented to him—his bad example was followed by others—the idle devoured the fruits of the toil of the industrious—and, at the present moment, only seven families remain in the Settlement—many having been carried off by consumption, and some having gone elsewhere.

The Government had also encouraged the formation of another Indian Settlement in the same County, on a smaller scale, called the Gloade Settlement; but it is now deserted by all who first removed thither, except the Chief, Charles Gloade, a sober industrious man, who has from 20 to 30 acres under cultivation, with a good frame barn, and from seven to ten head of Cattle. He is besides an excellent hunter, and lives very comfortably.

In the Counties of Lunenburg, Shelburne and Cape-Breton, there are a few other instances of the successful cultivation of the soil by Indians; but the most flourishing Indian Settlement is at Pomquet—it consists of 26 families, 7 of which live solely by Agriculture, the others living by Fishing, Hunting and Agriculture, jointly. They have 100 acres of cleared Land, 25 acres ploughed, 40 acres of Hay Land, and 35 of Pasture. They raised last year 630 bushels of Potatoes, 100 bushels of Oats, and 25 bushels of Barley—and own 5 head of Cattle, and 13 Sheep. This Settlement has not received any assistance from Government for many years past.

Except as already stated, the Indians possess little property other than their clothing, blankets, canoes, guns, weapons of the chase and dogs—if these are all in good condition, the Indian considers himself rich; and even if the Tribe should be induced to settle generally, many years will pass before they will feel the want of many articles, which to white settlers are indispensable.

The only Provincial enactment for the protection of the Indians is one to prohibit the sale to them of Spirituous Liquors, but it has not been followed by the expected beneficial effects,

effects, owing to the cunning which both sellers and buyers employ to evade its salutary provisions.

It is abundantly evident that the poor Micmas of Nova-Scotia must now either embrace some of our habits of subsisting or perish. To restore them to what they were is impossible, but to restore them the ready means of subsistence is practicable. Before we intruded on their possessions they had food and clothing enough, and to spare, and to suffer them now to want those necessaries would be unjust and cruel in the extreme. At the present day these can only be obtained for a certainty from the soil; and Government is therefore bound to encourage and assist this unfortunate race to settle on the Lands which have been set apart for them, or on any other Lands belonging to the Crown, which they may prefer.

It is not of course to be expected, or indeed to be desired, that these wild men should be suddenly weaned from the pursuits which are so dear to them. For some time to come, they must and ought to obtain a large share of their subsistence by means of hunting and fishing. The settlements for the few first years should be a constant home for the infirm only, but to the others merely a rallying point and place of deposit. By renouncing at first a part only of savage life, and leaning for subsistence in part only on tillage, they will be both healthier and happier. Moreover, in this way they may be gradually settled at small charge to the Government, for, as already remarked, they will not soon feel the want of many things which white settlers find indispensably necessary, and very costly, such as building materials, household furniture, &c. The present slender inventory of their domestic and field utensils may long continue nearly the same, and as they learn to covet more of what we deem to be necessaries, they ought to become, through their own good management, capable of purchasing them. While living in this half barbarous way they cannot be secured against occasional pressing wants, or be lifted above the need of some superintending care and aid. This should be partly afforded by the Government. The whole body should be, however, discouraged from depending upon public donations; and these, when given, should only be granted in proportion as they exert themselves, or to the utterly helpless. A few presents now and then would do them real good, but if ill-judged or overdone, would only work mischief.

The Funds required to start these Settlements will not be great. The only necessary expenses to be met are—

1st. For the correct surveying, planning, and allotment of the Lands.

2d. The furnishing to each Family, *after establishing its Wigwam*, an axe, a hoe, a few seeds, and other trifling articles; and lastly, a moderate donation of provisions and coarse clothing amongst the weak and sickly. A Superintendent of Indian Affairs might be appointed, if one possessing the necessary qualifications could be found; and small stipends should be allowed to the Priests appointed to the charge of the several Settlements.

Captain Crawley, Surveyor-General of Cape-Breton, who has always taken the liveliest interest in the Indians of that Island, suggests, that in order to stimulate their industry, premiums should be offered, not in money, but in clothing, agricultural tools, and seeds, to those who raise the best crops, make the best fences, erect the most commodious house, or follow any other useful employment that would require them for a time to become stationary, and induce the habit of remaining at home. If they could by any means be induced to congregate into Villages, where Schools might be established, and some strong motive to industry and sobriety were held out to them, their reformation might doubtless be accomplished—though it must be confessed the difficulty is not small of overcoming their fondness for their present wild mode of life. Still, as individual Micmac Families have been civilized, the civilization of the Tribe need not be despaired of; and the Legislative Council of the Province having lately directed their attention to this neglected subject, and expressed their intention to resume it in the next Session, it may be hoped that the wisdom of the Legislature will be able to devise some plan for reclaiming the small remnant of our ruined Aborigines from their present state of barbarism, and for introducing among them the industrious and peaceful habits of civilized Society.

APPENDIX No. 7.

(See Page 30.)

DR. *Account of Receipts and Payments of Her Majesty's Casual Revenue in Nova-Scotia, for the year ending 31st December, 1841.*

1841.	Sterling.	Currency.
Dec. 31.—To paid His Excellency Viscount Falkland, Lieutenant-Governor, that portion of His Salary payable from this Fund, for the year ending 31st Dec. 1841	£1500 0 0	£1875 0 0
His Excellency's allowance for contingencies ditto	200 0 0	250 0 0
The Honble. Capt. H. C. Grey, Aide-de-Camp to His Excellency, his pay and allowances for ditto	291 11 8	364 9 7
Chief-Justice's Salary for the year 1841	1000 0 0	1250 0 0
Secretary of the Province ditto	1000 0 0	1250 0 0
Judges Wilkins, Hill, Bliss, allowances for ditto	510 0 0	637 10 0
Master of the Rolls his allowance for do.	170 0 0	212 10 0
Attorney-General's Salary	600 0 0	750 0 0
Solicitor-General's do.	100 0 0	125 0 0
Clerk of the Crown do.	100 0 0	125 0 0
Surveyor-General of Lands do.	150 0 0	187 10 0
Ditto of Cape-Breton do.	100 0 0	125 0 0
Ditto for Office Rent	16 0 0	20 0 0
Superintendent of Mines Salary	100 0 0	125 0 0
Harbour Master at Sydney	100 0 0	125 0 0
Miss Cox her pension with premium	101 10 0	126 17 6
Mr. James, 1st Clerk Secretary's Office	250 0 0	312 10 0
Mr. Keating, Clerk ditto	160 0 0	200 0 0
Mr. Passow, and Mr. Pyke, his successor	100 0 0	125 0 0
Master of the Rolls and Judge of Vice Admiralty, to defray expenses of Fuel and Crier in those Courts	30 0 0	37 10 0
Mr. Joseph Reed, return of purchase money paid for Crown Land, Sale not being confirmed	28 8 4	35 10 5
For Stationary, Printing, and Messenger British Consuls at New-York, Boston and Philadelphia, being Custom-House Fees paid by them for returns of Coal there imported for several years	73 13 5	92 1 11
Her Majesty's gift to the Turf Club	4 12 6	5 15 7
Balance	50 0 0	62 10 0
	35 0 7	43 15 7
	£6770 16 6	£8463 10 7

1841.	Sterling.	Cr. Currency.
Jan. 1.—Balance in hand	£856 1 11	£1070 2 4
Dec. 31.—Received from Commissioner of Crown Lands in Nova-Scotia proper—balance in his hands on 31st Dec. 1840, on account of Sales of Crown Lands	354 12 7	443 5 9
		Dec.

Dec. 31.—Received Rent of H. M. Mines in Nova-Scotia and Cape-Breton, for the year ending 31st Dec. 1841	£2666 13 4	£3333 6 8
Premium on moiety of ditto payable in Dollars, but paid in Provincial Paper Money, 1st July, 3d. Cy. per Dollar	66 13 4	83 6 7
Premium on moiety of ditto, paid as before, 31st Dec. at 2½d. Currency per Dollar	55 11 2	69 8 11
Duty on 25,890 Chaldrons of Coal, Newcastle Measure, raised and sold from the Mines in 1841, over 20,000 Chaldrons, at 2s. Cy. per Chaldron	2071 4 0	2589 0 0
Premium on ditto, payable in Dollars, but paid in Provincial Paper, at 2½d. per Dollar	86 5 10	107 17 3
Received Rent of Mines under the late Duke of York's Lease, for year ending 24th June, 1841	1 0 0	1 5 0
Fees received at Secretary's Office in 1841, including £14 19 2 remitted from Cape Breton	609 0 4	761 5 5
Received from Commissioner of Crown Lands in Cape Breton, on account of Sales of Crown Lands	3 14 0	4 12 6
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	£6770 16 6	£8463 10 7

APPENDIX No. 8.

(See Page 37.)

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(L. S.)

At the Court at Windsor, the 10th December, 1841.

PRESENT—

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT.

Archbishop of Canterbury,	Lord Steward,
Lord Chancellor,	Lord Chamberlain,
Lord President,	Earl of Jersey,
Lord Privy Seal,	Sir Robert Peel.

WHEREAS, the Lieutenant-Governor of Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the Months of March and April, 1841, pass seventy-five Acts, which have been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz :

No. 2159. An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-one, and for other purposes.

No. 2160. An Act for the encouragement of Agriculture and Rural Economy in this Province.

No. 2161. An Act to improve the Administration of the Law, and to reduce the number of Courts of Justice within this Province, and to diminish the expense of the Judiciary therein.

No. 2168. An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act passed during the present Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to improve the Administration of the Law, and to reduce the number of Courts of Justice within this Province, and to diminish the expense of the Judiciary therein.

No. 2169. An Act further to amend the Act to improve the Administration of the Law, and to reduce the number of Courts of Justice within this Province, and to diminish the expense of the Judiciary therein.

No.

- No. 2170. An Act to set off North Sydney as a separate Township.
- No. 2173. An Act for making regulations to prevent Dogs going at large, in certain cases.
- No. 2174. An Act for the protection of Lake Porter Bridge.
- No. 2175. An Act to continue and amend the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions in the Island of Cape-Breton.
- No. 2176. An Act to continue the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, and for Sales by Auction in Halifax, and to alter the same.
- No. 2178. An Act to extend to the Town of Port Medway, in Queen's County, the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places.
- No. 2180. An Act to enable the Grand Jury of the County of Queen's to assess the Inhabitants for certain expenses incurred by the Clerk of the Licenses in prosecuting persons for a breach of the Law regulating the retail of Spirituous Liquors.
- No. 2181. An Act further to amend the Acts respecting the Registry of Deeds.
- No. 2183. An Act for the suppression of Lotteries.
- No. 2184. An Act to extend to the Village of Maitland, in the County of Hants, the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places.
- No. 2185. An Act respecting the number of Assessors of Poor Rates for Pictou.
- No. 2186. An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Baptist Meeting-House at Pleasant Valley, in Cornwallis, to raise Monies from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.
- No. 2187. An Act to provide for the improvement and repair of the Great Roads East and West of the Capital.
- No. 2189. An Act to enable Grand Juries and Courts of Session to make compensation to Sheriffs, in certain cases.
- No. 2192. An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, and the Act to alter and amend the same.
- No. 2198. An Act to provide for opening a New Road in the Township of Halifax.
- No. 2199. An Act to amend the Act to divide the Township of Parrsborough, and to annex parts thereof to the Counties of Colchester and Cumberland respectively.
- No. 2200. An Act to extend to the Township of Egerton the Act respecting the Collection of Poor Rates of Pictou, and to amend the said Act.
- No. 2201. An Act to continue the Act for the encouragement of Schools, and to alter and amend the same.
- No. 2202. An Act to set off Weymouth into a separate Township.
- No. 2203. An Act to confirm the past proceedings of the Prothonotary and Clerk of the Crown for the County of Cape-Breton.
- No. 2204. An Act to amend the Act to regulate certain Landings in the County of Digby.
- No. 2205. An Act to alter and amend the Act for preventing persons leaving the Province without a Pass.
- No. 2206. An Act for amending the Act for taking the Census of this Province.
- No. 2209. An Act to increase the usefulness of the Savings' Bank at Halifax.
- No. 2210. An Act for regulating the Dartmouth Common.
- No. 2211. An Act to provide a Lock-up House and Town House at Barrington, in the County of Shelburne.
- No. 2212. An Act to amend the Act for providing Fire Engines for the Town of Yarmouth, and for other purposes.
- No. 2213. An Act to Incorporate the Town of Halifax.
- No. 2214. An Act to amend the Act to Incorporate the Town of Halifax.
- No. 2216. An Act to continue the Act to prevent Disorderly Riding, and to regulate the Driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, or other Towns, or on the Public Roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned.
- No. 2217. An Act to provide Hay Scales, and Weights and Measures, for the Township of Lunenburg.
- No. 2218. An Act to repeal an Act for preventing illegal overholding and detainer of Real Estate.

No. 2219. An Act to amend the Act to enable the Inhabitants of Cornwallis to provide a Public Town House for that Township.

No. 2220. An Act to continue the Act to make the stealing of Dogs, Beasts and Birds, Larceny.

No. 2221. An Act to continue the Act in amendment of the Act made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton.

No. 2222. An Act to continue the Act to authorise the Sessions of the Peace for the County of Queen's County to make regulations for the gathering of Sea Manure in the said County.

No. 2223. An Act to continue the Act for regulating the Fishery in the River Shubena-cadie.

No. 2224. An Act to continue the Act to encourage the Killing of Bears, Loup Cerviers and Wild Cats.

No. 2225. An Act to continue the Act to restrain the issuing of Writs of Attachment in certain cases.

No. 2226. An Act to continue the Act to amend an Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax.

No. 2227. An Act to continue the Act respecting the collection of Poores' Rates of Pic-tou.

No. 2228. An Act to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbor of Pugwash.

No. 2229. An Act to continue the Act in addition to, and in amendment of, the Act to prevent Nuisances, by Hedges, Wears and other Incumbrances, obstructing the passage of Fish in the Rivers of this Province.

No. 2230. An Act to continue the Acts relating to Marriage Licenses.

No. 2231. An Act to continue the Act in amendment of the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges.

No. 2233. An Act to continue the Act more effectually to provide against the introduction of Infectious or Contagious Diseases, and the spreading thereof in this Province, and the Act in amendment thereof.

No. 2234. An Act to continue the Act to enable the Proprietors of Land in the rear blocks or divisions of Land in the Township of Guysborough to open Roads through the same.

No. 2237. An Act to continue the Act to suspend the operation of the Act to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing, of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax.

No. 2238. An Act to continue the Act for the regulation and management of the combined Common and Grammar School at Lunenburg.

No. 2239. An Act to continue the Act to repeal the Act to regulate the Public Landing at Windsor, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof.

No. 2240. An Act to continue the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, and the Acts in amendment thereof.

No. 2242. An Act to continue the Act in further amendment of, and additional to, the Acts relating to Trespasses.

No. 2243. An Act to continue the Acts to provide for the regulation and management of the Grammar School or Academy at Annapolis.

No. 2244. An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Acts in amendment thereof.

No. 2246. An Act to continue the Act for establishing a Harbor Master at Bridgport, in the Island of Cape-Breton.

No. 2247. An Act to continue the Act to authorize the Sale of Coals by Weight.

No. 2248. An Act to continue the Act to regulate certain Landings in the County of Kings' County.

No. 2249. An Act to continue the Act to enable the inhabitants of the Town of Lunenburg to procure a Fire Engine, with other utensils and materials necessary for extinguishing Fires.

No. 2250. An Act to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Acts in amendmennt thereof.

No. 2252. An Act to continue an Act relative to the Assessment of Dykes Rates for the New or Wickwire Dyke in Horton.

No. 2253. An Act to continue the Act to regulate the survey of Timber and Lumber, and to repeal certain Acts now in force.

No. 2254. An Act to continue the Act, entitled, An Act to provide for the accommodation and billeting of Her Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another, and the Acts in amendment thereof.

No. 2255. An Act to continue the Act to prevent injuries to the Fisheries within the County of Lunenburg by Mill Dams or any other obstruction.

No. 2257. An Act to continue the Acts for appointing Supervisors to take charge of Public Grounds, and for other purposes.

No. 2258. An Act to continue the Act for the better regulation of Sable Island in this Province.

No. 2260. An Act to continue the Act in amendment of the Act for the Settlement of the Poor in the several Townships within this Province.

No. 2261. An Act to continue the Act additional concerning Nuisances.

No. 2265. An Act to continue and amend the Act to regulate the Weighing of Beef, and the Act in amendment thereof.

No. 2266. An Act for regulating the Militia.

And whereas, the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council for Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported as their opinion to Her Majesty, that the said Acts should be left to their operation: Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve the said Report: whereof the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed.)

WM. L. BATHURST.

APPENDIX No. 9.

(See Page 37.)

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(L. S.)

At the Court at Windsor, the 10th day of December, 1841.

P R E S E N T—

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT,

Archbishop of Canterbury,
Lord Chancellor,
Lord President,
Lord Privy Seal,

Lord Stewart,
Lord Chamberlain,
Earl of Jersey,
Sir Robert Peel.

WHEREAS, the Lieutenant-Governor of Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the Months of March and April, 1841, pass seven Acts, which have been transmitted, entitled, as follows, viz:

No. 2177. An Act to amend the Act to Incorporate the Halifax Gas Light and Water Company.

No. 2190. An Act to amend the several Acts for Incorporating the Nova-Scotia Marine Insurance Company, and the Halifax Marine Insurance Company.

No. 2207. An Act to alter the Laws for making Lands liable for the payment of Debts.

No. 2232. An Act to continue the Acts in force relative to the Inspection of Pickled Fish.

No. 2245. An Act to continue the Act to encourage the importation of improved Breeds of Cattle into this Province.

No.

No. 2263. An Act to revive and continue the Act to encourage the Seal Fisheries in this Province.

And whereas, the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters and things relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations; and the said Committee have reported as their opinion to Her Majesty, that the said Acts should be left to their operation. Her Majesty thereupon, was this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve the said Report—whereof, the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being of Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed)

WM. L. BATHURST.

APPENDIX No. 10.

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(L. S.)

At the Court at Windsor, the 10th day of December, 1841.

P R E S E N T —

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT.

&c.

&c.

&c.

WHEREAS, the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did in the months of March, 1840, and March, 1841, pass two Acts, which have been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz :

No. 2042. An Act to for Incorporating the Trustees of the Queen's Colloge at Horton.

No. 2191. An Act to amend an Act for Incorporating the Trustees of the Queen's College at Horton.

And whereas, the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported as their opinion to Her Majesty, that the said Acts should receive Her Majesty's special confirmation: Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to declare Her special confirmation of the said Acts, and the same are hereby specially confirmed, ratified, and finally enacted accordingly: whereof the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being of Her Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed.)

WM. L. BATHURST.

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- Chocolate; Resolution granting bounty on, brought from H. A. read, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 82—3.
- Coals by weight; Bill to authorize sale of, brought from H. A. read 1st time, and referred to Select Committee, 28; Report, 30; Bill read 2d and 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 32; assent, 89.
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Lunenburg; Bill to prevent injuries to, brought from H. A. &c. 28, (as above); assent, 89.

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G

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H

Halifax; Bill to alter Act to Incorporate, brought from H. A. and read 1st time, 74; read 2d time and ordered to Committee, 79; amended, amendment read and agreed to, Bill read 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 85; H. A. disagree to amendment, amendment adhered to, and Bill sent to H. A. 86.

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- Licenses, Duties on; Bill granting, brought from H. A. read 1st time, and referred to Select Committee, 74; Report, read 2d time, and ordered to Committee, 75; reported without amendment, 77; read 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 79; assent, 90.
- Halifax, Duties on; Bill granting, (as above.)
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- Lock-up House Chester; Bill to provide, brought from H. A. and read 1st time, 42; read 2d time and referred to Select Committee, 44; Report, 44—5; Bill ordered to Committee, 47; reported without amendment, 76; read 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 78—9; assent, 90.

M

- Margaretville Pier Company; Bill to repeal 9th Clause of Act to Incorporate, presented and read 1st time, 41; read 2d time and ordered to Committee, 43; Committee recommend to be deferred 3 months, and Bill deferred, 52.
- Marriage Licenses; Bill relating to, brought from H. A. and read 1st time, 45—6; read 2d time and ordered to Committee, 47; reported without amendment, 52; read 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 54; assent, 90.
- Meeting House, Argyle; Bill for repair of, brought from H. A. and read 1st time, 16; read 2d time and ordered to Committee, amended, amendments agreed to, Bill read 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 22; H. A. agree to amendments, Bill finally agreed to, and sent to H. A. 25; assent, 88.
- Folly Village; Bill relating to, brought from H. A. and read 1st time, 22—3; read 2d time and ordered to Committee, 23; reported without amendment, 24; read 3d time and agreed to, 24; sent to H. A. 25; assent, 88.
- Cornwallis; Bill for repairing, brought from H. A. 27; read 1st time, and referred to Select Committee, 28; Report, 30; read 2d and 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 32; assent, 88.
- Onslow; Bill for repairing, (as above.)
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- Oysters, Tracadie; Bill to prevent exportation of, brought from H. A. and read 1st time, 46, read 2d time, and ordered to Committee, 47; amended, amendment read and agreed to, 56; Bill read 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 62; H. A. disagree to amendment, 62, amendment adhered to, and Bill sent to H. A. 67; H. A. agree to amendment; Bill finally agreed to, and sent to H. A. 86; assent, 90.

P

- Parade, Yarmouth; Bill relative to, brought from H. A. and read 1st time, 42, read 2d time, and referred to Select Committee, 43, deferred three months, 47.
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- Poor; Settlement of, Bill for, brought from H. A. read 1st time, and referred to Select Committee, 28; Report, 30, read 2d and 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 32; assent, 89.
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Q

- Quarantine Bill brought from H. A. 27; read 1st time, referred to Select Committee, 28, Report, 30, read 2d and 3d time, agreed to, and sent H. A. 32; assent, 88.

R

- Rates; County, Bill to ascertain mode of assessing, brought from H. A. read 1st time, and referred to Select Committee, 27—8; Report, 30, read 2d and 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 32; assent, 89.
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- Real Estate, illegal over-holding of, Bill to prevent, brought from H. A. 73; read 1st time, 74, read 2d time, and ordered to Committee, 75; recommended to be deferred, and deferred, 82.
- Riding, Disorderly; Bill to prevent, brought from H. A. and read 1st time, 42; read 2d time and ordered to Committee, 44; amended—amendments read and agreed to, 52—3; Bill read 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 54; H. A. agree to amendments, 68; Bill finally agreed to and sent to H. A. 69; assent, 90.
- Road, Cross, Musquedoboit; Bill to provide for opening, brought from H. A. read 1st time, and referred to Select Committee, 36; Report, 38; read 2d time and ordered to Committee, 38; recommended to be referred to Select Committee, 40; Report, 44—5; deferred 3 months, 47.
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- Old, Sydney; Bill for shutting up, brought from H. A. 43; read 1st time and referred to Select Committee, 43; Report, 44—5; read 2d time and deferred 3 months, 47.
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Schools; Bill to amend Acts for encouragement of, brought from H. A. and read 1st time, 79; read 2d time and ordered to Committee—reported without amendment—read 3d time, agreed to, and sent to H. A. 84—5; assent, 90.

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