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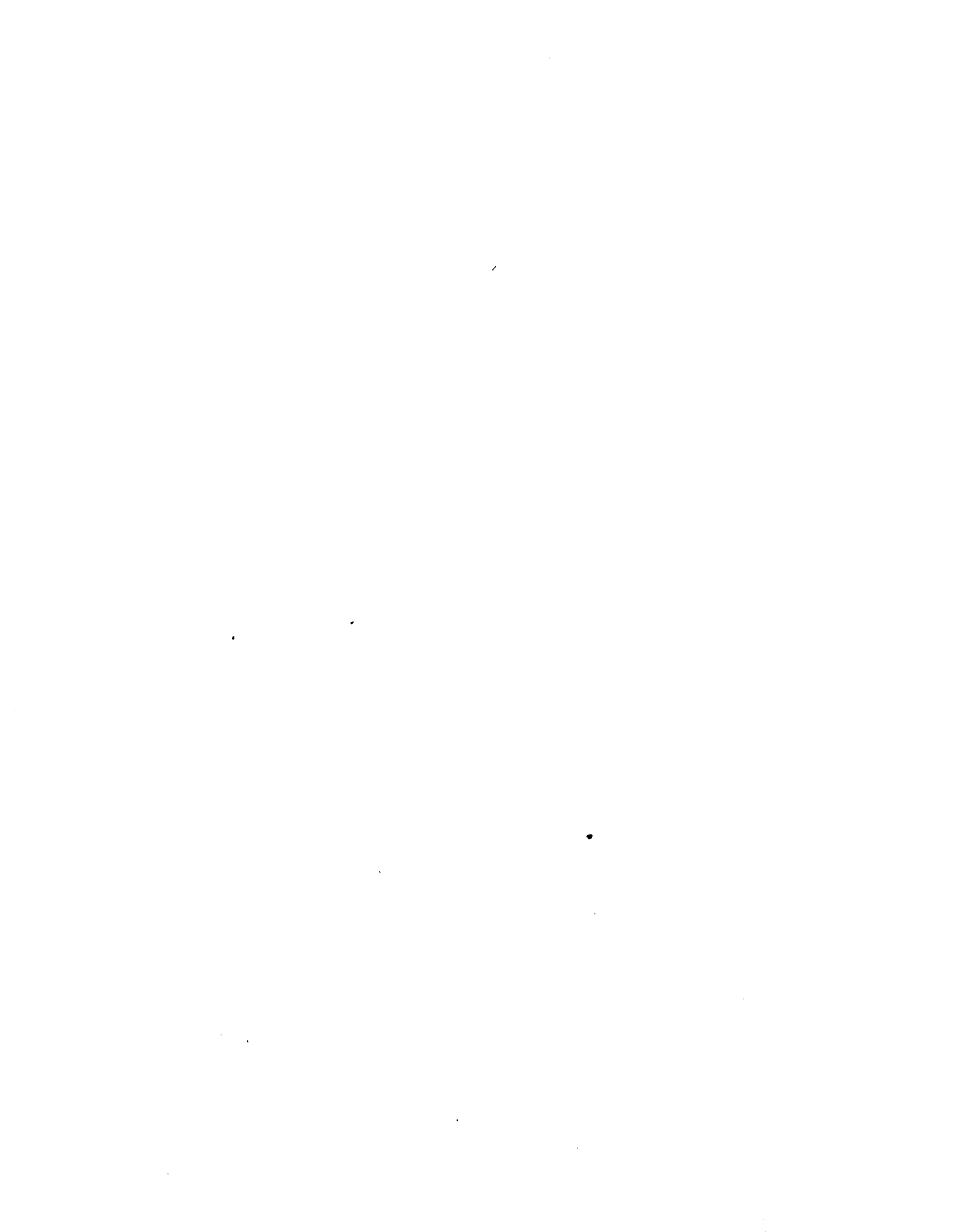
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THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF
THE PROVINCE
OF
NEW BRUNSWICK.

From 7th February to 26th April, 1850.

Being the Fourth Session of the Fourteenth General Assembly.



FREDERICTON, NEW BRUNSWICK :

JOHN SIMPSON, PRINTER TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

1850.



By His Excellency Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet,
Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of
New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

EDMUND HEAD, Lt. Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to the first Tuesday of this present month of June, I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby further prorogued to the second Tuesday in September next.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Fredericton, the twenty first day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine, and in the thirteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

J. R. PARTELOW.



By His Excellency Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet,
Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of
New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

EDMUND HEAD, Lt. Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to the second Tuesday in September next, I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby further prorogued to the fourth Tuesday in November next.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Fredericton, the twenty ninth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine, and in the thirteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

J. R. PARTELOW.



By His Excellency Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet,
 Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province
 of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.



EDMUND HEAD, Lt. Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to the fourth Tuesday in November instant, I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby further prorogued to the fourth Tuesday in December next.

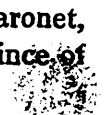
Given under my Hand and Seal, at Fredericton, the nineteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine, and in the thirteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

J. R. PARTELOW.



By His Excellency Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet,
 Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of
 New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.



EDMUND HEAD, Lt. Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to the fourth Thursday in this present month of December, I have thought fit to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued to Thursday the seventh day of February next, then to meet at Fredericton for the dispatch of business.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Fredericton, the nineteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine, and in the thirteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

J. R. PARTELOW.



JOURNAL
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF THE

Province of New Brunswick.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE FOURTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

ANNO DECIMO TERTIO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

His Excellency Sir Edmund Walker Head, Baronet, Lieutenant Governor
and Commander in Chief.

At Fredericton in the Province of New Brunswick.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER, Thursday, 7th February, 1850.

THE General Assembly having been by four Proclamations prorogued to this
day, the House met—

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Kinnear,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,*

PRAYERS.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House resumed.

At two o'clock, His Excellency Sir Edmund Walker Head, Baronet, Lieutenant
Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province, came to the Council Chamber,
and being seated in the Chair on the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the
Black Rod, through the Honorable the President, to let the Assembly know—"It is
His Excellency's pleasure that they attend him immediately in this House."

Who being come, with their Speaker,

His Excellency was pleased to open the Session by the following Speech to both
Houses:—

"Mr.

“ Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

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

“ IT is with great regret that I announce to you the decease of an illustrious Lady, the Queen Dowager of England, whose kindness and benevolence had endeared Her to the English Nation.

“ At the close of your last Session, I expressed a confident hope that, by the blessing of Providence, an abundant Harvest might restore the prosperity of the Country. I now with sincere pleasure congratulate you on the Crops which have been vouchsafed to us. I trust with equal confidence, that our Commerce may revive, and that such Manufactures as the Province can advantageously carry on, may thrive within our limits.

“ Another ground for thankfulness on the part of the people of this Colony, is the fact that we have been spared the ravages of that disease which has proved so fatal in England and elsewhere.

“ In pursuance of the Resolution of the House of Assembly, passed in the last Session, Professor James Johnston has visited this Province, and after traversing it in every direction, has prepared a Report, which will be placed in your hands. I am persuaded that the publication of his views, with reference to your Agriculture, will greatly tend to promote an Immigration of a satisfactory character, and will stimulate the industry of those who have perhaps hitherto undervalued the resources of their native Country.

“ I earnestly recommend to your consideration Professor Johnston's suggestions. I think it especially important that an accurate Survey and Report on the extent and probable productiveness of our Coal Field, should be obtained from persons practically conversant with the working of that mineral; and that a plan for imparting Agricultural instruction to all classes, should form the subject of your deliberations.

“ A most important change has taken place in the Navigation Laws of the Mother Country—a change which cannot fail to interest this Colony. I know that fears have been entertained by many persons as to the effect of this alteration on the trade of New Brunswick. I may be sanguine, but I confidently hope that these fears will prove groundless; and that the advantages for Ship building enjoyed by this Province will enable us to compete with any Nation, whilst the removal of restrictions on the Cargoes of British Ships in Foreign Ports will create an increased demand for those Vessels, which form one of our staple exports.

“ It will be for you to consider how far it is expedient to address Her Most Gracious Majesty, under the provisions of the Imperial Act, with reference to the Coasting Trade of this Province and the other North American Colonies. The Members of the several Executive Councils of Canada, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and New Brunswick, who met at Halifax in the course of last Autumn, felt, I believe, the full importance of increased facilities for Trade, and I know that Her Majesty's Government at home, are anxious to concur in any measures which, by promoting greater freedom of intercourse, whether between the Colonies themselves or other Countries, will allow our Commerce to expand and develop itself.

“ I am deeply impressed with the great commercial importance to Canada and New Brunswick, of improving the means of communication between the Bay of Fundy and the

the River Saint Lawrence. In order to derive the full benefit from the Act of last Session, authorizing an outlay on the Survey and improvement of the River Saint John, I applied for the services of an Officer of Royal Engineers from Canada. This aid Her Majesty's Government was pleased to afford; and I have much pleasure in stating that a careful Survey of the Rapids and Rocks impeding the Navigation between Fredericton and the Grand Falls, has been made by the joint labours of Captain George Bent of the Royal Engineers, and Mr. John Grant; the final Report itself, with the detailed Plans, is in a state of forwardness, such as may, I trust, allow of its being laid before you in the course of this Session.

"An able Report by Mr. Wilkinson, on the Railway between Shediac and Saint John, will also be laid before you, and I shall be glad to find that any steps may be taken to promote so important an undertaking, consistently with the Financial Resources of the Province.

"A Report from Mr. Perley on the Fisheries of our Coasts will receive at your hands the consideration which the importance of the subject warrants.

"I trust you may be able in the course of this Session, to revise and consolidate the principal Laws of the Province, so as to present them in a form less complicated than that in which they now stand.—A measure will be laid before you having this object in view.

"The Parliament of Great Britain have passed an Act, enabling the Colonial Legislatures to deal with the subject of the Post Office. I think you will be able to frame such a measure as will materially relieve the people of the Province, and facilitate the transmission of Letters within its limits.

"The Act regulating the Common Schools requires renewal and revision. The zeal which you have hitherto shown in the cause of Education, makes me confident that you will devise means for extending its benefits and improving its character.

"I regret that I have no definite information which I can afford you with reference to the settlement of the Canadian Boundary, but I know that the subject is under consideration, and that its importance to the welfare of New Brunswick, as well as Canada, is appreciated.

"The Act relating to the Corporation of Saint John has been brought into operation. I have every reason to believe that the Police of that City is properly organized, and answers the purpose for which it was intended.

"I have taken care that rules and regulations should be framed for carrying out the Act of last Session on the subject of Lands sold by the Crown. I wish you to consider whether that Act can produce its full effect without some modification of the Tax on Emigrants. It is essential, however, that due security should be maintained for the protection of the health of Passengers, and that object is greatly facilitated by recent enactments of the Parliament of Great Britain.

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

The Accounts of Revenue and Expenditure for the past year will be laid before you without delay. You will see with satisfaction that the moneys paid into the Treasury show a considerable improvement in our Finances, and I trust you will find that all proper economy has been exercised in expending the sums appropriated by you.

"In

“ In the event of your passing any Act imposing Duties on Imports, I seriously recommend for consideration the expediency of promoting Commerce, by insuring greater certainty in our Revenue Laws.

“ The mere fluctuations of Markets render commercial speculations hazardous without the additional risk attaching to the shipment of goods, whilst the rate of Duty which those goods may have to pay is wholly conjectural.

“ I am persuaded that such uncertainty is more injurious to the shipper and importer, and consequently to our own Revenue, than a higher Tariff would be on which they could calculate beforehand with tolerable security.

“ I trust you will not suppose me desirous of suggesting any course which should imply a diminished controul over the Taxation of the Province by the Representatives of its People.

“ Under all circumstances, in your hands must rest the discretionary power of altering the Duties, and in your hands must remain the appropriation of the moneys so levied.

“ These Constitutional rights would not be affected by the adoption of a Bill exceeding in its duration the ordinary period, and whilst on the one hand it would be perfectly understood that the Provincial Legislature might alter or repeal any of the Duties at any moment, the Merchant would feel secure that no such change would take place without due deliberation, and without a special reason for such a course.

“ This is virtually the state of things in England, and this, I am fully persuaded, would be the principle most likely to foster Commerce in our own Province.

“ *Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,*

“ *Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,*

“ I cannot conclude this Speech without expressing to you distinctly my own convictions on one or two Constitutional matters of the highest importance.

“ I believe, in the first place, that it is most desirable to define more accurately the responsibility attaching to the initiation of money votes. This can only be done by throwing such responsibility on the Executive Government.

“ The undisputed right to originate money votes is vested in the House of Assembly; and the Members of the Executive Council, it is now understood, practically retain their seats only so long as they are presumed to enjoy the confidence of the people, expressed in the Legislature.

“ To the people therefore through their Representatives, as well as to the Crown, they are strictly responsible; and although the burthen of being answerable for the introduction of money votes would be a heavy one, that burthen might be lightened by leaving to local controul such local charges as no central Government can by any amount of vigilance efficiently check. Local controul over local charges, presents moreover advantages of its own with which every man of English race is sufficiently familiar. Economy would be promoted—habits of self reliance and self government would be fostered—and the elements of true political freedom would be developed by the management of the affairs of each separate district.

“ I believe too, that an Audit based on powers more stringent and more searching than those which now exist, would ensure greater regularity in all our Accounts, and would give confidence to the public at large.

“ It

“ It implies no mistrust of the people or the Legislature of this Province to advocate principles and measures practically a part of the Constitution of England, and of the Constitution of other Colonies, where free and Responsible Government is acknowledged as completely as in New Brunswick.

“ In themselves these measures would bring to the Representative of Her Majesty, and to Her Majesty’s Councillors, nothing but an amount of trouble and responsibility from which they are now exempt.

“ I name them to you with the full conviction that they contain the best means by which the people may be assured that their expenditure will correspond with their probable income—that the credit of the Province will be properly upheld—and that no abuse of Public Money is likely to take place with impunity.

“ I will only add that I believe such changes may be combined with an actual and immediate saving to the Provincial Revenue.

“ I could not properly meet you in this, the last Session of the present Assembly, without imparting frankly my hope, that in the course of your deliberations you may, at any rate, pave the way for measures such as these to which I have adverted.

“ To those deliberations you will now proceed, and I entertain a conviction that they will be guided by a spirit of loyalty to the Queen, and zeal for the public welfare, worthy of this Province. When we last met, we had to look back upon a year of war and tumult in Europe,—the wrecks of mighty States seemed to float around Great Britain, and to justify our confidence in the strength and soundness of those institutions, by help of which she had, under Providence, ridden out the storm;—that confidence therefore you have every reason to maintain unimpaired, and it will always be my duty to foster and encourage it by all constitutional means.”

Which being ended, the House of Assembly withdrew, and His Excellency was pleased to retire.

The Honorable the President reported His Excellency’s Speech.

An Address, in answer to His Excellency’s Speech, is moved and seconded; which being read—

ORDERED, That the House do go into Committee of the whole on the same to-morrow.

ORDERED, That the Journals of this House be printed daily, and that two hundred copies thereof be furnished.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o’clock.

FRIDAY, 8th February, 1850.

PRESENT:

THE HON:

Mr. Black, President.

Mr. Shore,

Mr. Saunders,

Mr. Botsford,

Mr. Chandler,

Mr. Robertson,

Mr. Hatch,

Mr.

*Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,*

*Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had taken the said Address into consideration, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 9th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,*

*Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Address, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House without any amendment.

The Chairman further reported, that the following amendment was moved to the sixth paragraph of the said Address, viz :

Expunge the paragraph, and insert—

“ We deeply regret that we cannot concur in the opinion expressed by Your Excellency, that the change in the Navigation Laws of Great Britain will prove beneficial to the interests of this Province. We are fully convinced that our Commerce in general, and our Ship building in particular, must be seriously and prejudicially affected by that change while we are exposed to Foreign competition without reciprocal advantages in any degree commensurate with the sacrifice which this Province is compelled to make to Foreigners.”

That

That upon the question, whether the said amendment should pass, the Committee divided—

CONTENT.	NON-CONTENT.
<p>The Hon. The President, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Simonds.</p>	<p>The Hon. Mr. Shore, Mr. Saunders, Mr. Botsford, Mr. Chandler, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Minchin, Mr. Hazen, Mr. Hill, Mr. Harrison.</p>

And so it passed in the negative.

The said Address being read, was approved of by the House, and is as follows :—

To His Excellency Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF HER MAJESTY'S LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN
GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENED.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We, Her Majesty's Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Legislative Council in General Assembly, thank Your Excellency for the Speech at the opening of the Session.

We participate in the regret so generally felt at the death of the late Queen Dowager of England, whose name will long be endeared to the Nation by the recollection of her deep piety and active benevolence.

We cordially join in Your Excellency's congratulations on the blessings which Providence has vouchsafed to us, in the late abundant Crop, and in the confident hope that our Commerce and Manufactures will, from this as well as from other causes, gradually revive.

We acknowledge with fervent gratitude the mercy of Providence in sparing us from the ravages of that disease which has so fearfully prevailed in our neighbourhood and other parts of the world.

We shall await with much interest the Report of Professor Johnston on the subject of our Agricultural capabilities; and we rejoice in Your Excellency's persuasion that the publication of his examination and opinions on this subject will tend as well to promote an improved description of Immigration as to stimulate the native industry of the Province; and Your Excellency may rely on our most earnest consideration of any suggestions which may emanate from this distinguished Professor, and in our willingness to concur in any measures having for their object the development of our valuable Mineral and Agricultural resources.

We are gratified by the expression of Your Excellency's confidence, that the recent changes in the Navigation Laws of the Mother Country will not prove injurious to the Commercial interests of this Province, but on the contrary, that the reciprocal removal of restrictions on the Cargoes of British Ships in Foreign Ports will create

an increased demand for this one of our staple exports; which, combined with the advantages we possess for Ship building, may enable us to compete with any Nation.

We are sensible of the growing importance of cultivating a greater freedom of intercourse, as well between these Provinces as with Foreign Countries, upon terms of reciprocity; and we are much gratified by Your Excellency's assurance, that Her Majesty's Government at home are anxious to concur in any measure for this object.

Impressed with the great importance of improving the Communication between the Bay of Fundy and the River Saint Lawrence, we have much satisfaction in learning from Your Excellency that steps have been taken, under the Act of last Session, for a careful examination and survey of the impediments to the River Navigation between Fredericton and the Grand Falls, and we look with much interest for the Report of the Officers employed for this service.

We thank Your Excellency for the assurance that the Reports of the Survey of a Line of Railway between Shediac and Saint John, and also on the Fisheries on our Coast, shall be laid before us; and Your Excellency may rely on our disposition to give these subjects an attentive consideration.

The great advantages to be derived from a consolidation of the Laws will secure to that subject the attention which its importance demands.

We deeply feel the disadvantages under which the Province now labours, from the continuance of the present system of Postal arrangements, and will earnestly address ourselves to the consideration of any measure tending to their improvement.

We assure Your Excellency that our zeal in the cause of Education continues unabated. While we cannot disguise from ourselves the imperfections which must be admitted to exist in the Laws regulating the Common Schools, we shall endeavour to make such improvements as may secure greater efficiency in these establishments.

We share in the regret expressed by Your Excellency that no settlement of the Canadian Boundary has yet taken place. We trust that its importance to the welfare of both the Provinces immediately interested in the question will lead to its speedy adjustment.

We are happy to learn from Your Excellency that rules and regulations have been framed for carrying into effect the provisions made by Law for the settlement of Crown Lands. The topics in connexion with this subject to which our attention is invited shall engage our deliberation; and we assure Your Excellency that any measure which may tend to secure comfort and health to the Emigrants from the Mother Country, will be regarded most favourably by us.

The highly important subject of the initiation of money votes, and in connexion therewith of local control over local charges, to which Your Excellency has adverted, shall receive all the attention it is competent to this branch of the Legislature to bestow.

Whenever any measure for the extension of the powers of the Audit Office can be devised by which a judicious improvement in that department of the public service may be effected, we will cheerfully lend our aid for its accomplishment.

We thank Your Excellency for the confidence you express that our deliberations will be guided by a spirit of loyalty to the Queen and zeal for the public good, and it will be our pleasing duty to endeavour to justify this confidence.

The noble spectacle afforded by Great Britain of strength and stability in her institutions, while so many neighbouring Countries were convulsed with internal dissensions, fully justifies, as Your Excellency has observed, our unimpaired confidence in those institutions; and we trust that, with the promised aid of Your Excellency, it may long continue to be fostered and encouraged.

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

ORDERED, That the Honorable Messieurs Shore and Chandler be appointed a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to know when this House would be received with their Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session.

On motion made and seconded—

RESOLVED, That a Select Committee of two Members be appointed to take into consideration the subject of Reporting the Debates of this House during the present Session.

ORDERED, That the Honorable Messieurs Botsford and Robertson do compose the said Committee.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from Catherine J. Watts, praying aid for teaching a School: and

A Petition from William James Gilbert and others, praying an Act to incorporate the Shediac Grindstone Manufacturing and Mining Company.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hill, by leave, presented a Petition from Hugh A. Caie, praying remuneration for services and supplies furnished to Emigrants.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Shore, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from Rachel Martin, praying remuneration for teaching a School:

A Petition from James Wilson, for remuneration for costs, &c. in defending his title to a Grant from the Crown: and

A Petition from the Reverend James Hudson, praying return Duty.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, 11th February, 1850.

PRESENT:

THE HON.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Chandler,*

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,*

Mr.

Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison.

Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. Hill, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Flora Jack, praying remuneration for teaching a School : and
A Petition from Ruth M'Farlan, Widow of an old Soldier, praying for Pension.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Eliza Hitchings, praying compensation for Public Road through her Land : and

A Petition from the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road Company, praying amendment of their Act of Incorporation.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 12th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison.

Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. Shore, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to ascertain when this House would be received with their Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session; reported that they had done so, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, he would receive this House with their Address on Thursday next at one o'clock.

On motion made and seconded—

ORDERED, That a Select Committee of three Members be appointed to report upon such Bills relating to Corporations as may be referred to them the present Session ; and that the Honorable Messieurs Saunders, Botsford, and Hatch, do compose the said Committee.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch, by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas Moses, praying remuneration for removing his office.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

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The Honorable Mr. Minchin, by leave, presented a Petition from Patrick Calnan, and others, praying Legislative aid for Weekly Stage to Saint Andrews from Fredericton.
ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable the Solicitor General, by leave, presented a Petition from Magdalene Schureman, praying aid as an Officer's Widow.
ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hill, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from S. B. Wheeler, and others, praying aid towards improving the Navigation of the Harbour of Saint Andrews :

A Petition from Martha Pendleton, Widow, praying for Revolutionary War Pension : and

A Petition from Robert Watson, and others, praying an Act of Incorporation for the Saint Stephen and Calais Bridge Company.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Shore, by leave, presented a Petition from William Grieve, praying a sum of Money for loss of Land.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 1 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 13th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
 Mr. Botsford,
 Mr. Hatch,
 Mr. Minchin,
 Mr. Hazen,
 Mr. Harrison.*

*Mr. Saunders,
 Mr. Chandler,
 Mr. Solicitor General,
 Mr. Simonds,
 Mr. Hill.*

PRAYERS.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Wark, with a Bill to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Saint Mary's Church, in the Parish of Richibucto, to sell certain Lands granted to the said Corporation, and vest the proceeds in other Lands ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Hanington, with a Bill to incorporate the Shediac Grindstone Manufacturing and Mining Company ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time. **ORDERED,**

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the said Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. R. D. Wilmot, with a Bill for the regulation of the South Bay Canal; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

- A Petition from Edward Berry, praying aid for teaching a School:
- A Petition from Rosannah Pulk, Widow, praying for Revolutionary War Pension:
- A Petition from Margaret Grierson, Widow, with a like prayer:
- A Petition from Mercy M'Nichol, Widow, with a like prayer:
- A Petition from Jane Hawkins, Widow, with a like prayer: and
- A Petition from S. T. Gove, praying remuneration for services to Emigrants.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

- A Petition from Calvin Hatheway, praying that measures be taken to improve the Navigation of the River Saint John:
- A Petition from James Kirk, and others, praying aid to build a Breakwater:
- A Petition from John Boyd, M.D., praying remuneration for services to Emigrants:
- A Petition from William M'Clintock, praying aid for teaching a School:
- A Petition from Catherine Bubar, with a like prayer:
- A Petition from Jedediah Carvill, with a like prayer: and
- A Petition from the Justices of the Peace for the City and County of Saint John, praying a Bill may pass to regulate the South Bay Canal.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable the Solicitor General, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

- A Petition from William P. Robertson, praying aid for teaching a School:
- A Petition from Solomon Denton, with a like prayer:
- A Petition from the Ministers, &c. of Saint John Presbyterian Church, Saint John, with a like prayer:
- A Petition from Rachel Cornelison, praying for Revolutionary War Pension: and
- A Petition from George Wheeler, praying compensation for services as Sergeant Major of Second Battalion York Militia.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hill, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

- A Petition from Cochran Craig, praying aid for teaching a School:
- A Petition from Samuel Buhot, with a like prayer:

A Petition from James Brown, with a like prayer :
 A Petition from Elizabeth Borthwick, with a like prayer :
 A Petition from John Barry, with a like prayer :
 A Petition from James Steen, praying remuneration for losses under a Crown Grant :
 A Petition from Jerusha Black, praying for Revolutionary War Pension : and
 A Petition from Mary Pratt, with a like prayer.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Harrison, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Rebecca Gage, praying for Revolutionary War Pension :
 A Petition from Joseph Tompkins, with a like prayer, for Abigail Tompkins : and
 A Petition from Nathan B. Milbery, praying aid for teaching a School.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hazen, by leave, presented a Petition from William Olive, and others, praying an Act to incorporate the Carleton Mechanics' Ship building and Navigation Company.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 14th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
 Mr. Botsford,
 Mr. Hatch,
 Mr. Minchin,
 Mr. Hazen,
 Mr. Harrison.*

*Mr. Saunders,
 Mr. Chandler,
 Mr. Solicitor General,
 Mr. Simonds,
 Mr. Hill,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Saint Mary's Church, in the Parish of Richibucto, to sell certain Lands granted to the said Corporation, and vest the proceeds in other Lands : and

A Bill for the regulation of the South Bay Canal.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations, presented a Report.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

The Committee to whom were referred all Bills relating to Corporations have examined "A Bill to incorporate the Shediac Grindstone Manufacturing and Mining Company," and recommend the same to the adoption of the House without amendment.

Committee Room, February 14, 1850.

J. S. SAUNDERS, *Chairman.*

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Chandler presented to the House a Bill, intituled "An Act in further amendment of the Law."

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

At one o'clock the House proceeded to Government House with their Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session; and being returned—

The Honorable the President reported, that His Excellency had been pleased to receive the same, and to return an answer thereto, of which he had obtained a copy, which he read; and it was again read by the Clerk, as follows :—

"Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

"I thank you sincerely for your Address, and I entertain no doubt that your exertions in this Session will be such as to benefit the Province, and evince your loyalty to the Queen."

The Honorable the President lays before the House a Letter from the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Canada, in reference to supplying the Canadian Legislature with Journals, Statutes, and other Documents.

ORDERED, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from James Newcomb, praying aid for teaching a School :

A Petition from L. H. DeVeber, and others, praying for reduction of Duty on British Merchandize : and

A Petition from Edward Stevens, and others, praying that the Road through Hopewell and Harvey, to Upham, be made one of the Great Roads of this Province.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hill, by leave, presented a Petition from Richard M. Gee, praying remuneration for loss sustained in purchasing Land from a Pensioner, the same having been again granted by the Crown.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor General, by leave, presented a Petition from Catherine Johnston, praying aid for teaching a School.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The

The Honorable Mr. Chandler, by leave, presented a Petition from Francis M'Manus, praying for Return Duties.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 15th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,*

*Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill, intituled "An Act in further amendment of the Law," was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole on Monday next, to take the said Bill into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Shediac Grindstone Manufacturing and Mining Company, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and the Report thereon, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill for the regulation of the South Bay Canal.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section I. expunge the words "the Public Highway," and insert "a Great Road."

At B in same Section, expunge the words "the said Parish," and insert "this Province, and the said Commissioners were Supervisors of the said Great Road."

The

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Chandler, by direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, lays before the House—

The Blue Book for the Year 1848: also

The Return of the Commissioners of Police for the Parish of Portland: also

Return of the Saint Stephen Bank:

Do. Charlotte Bank:

Do. Central Bank of New Brunswick:

Do. Bank of New Brunswick:

Do. Commercial Bank:

Do. New Brunswick Marine Assurance Company, Saint John: also

The following Abstract of the Revenue of the Province for the Year 1849:—

ABSTRACT OF THE REVENUE OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK FOR THE YEAR 1849.

	Loan Fund.	Ordinary Revenue.	Export Duty.	Casual Revenue.	Supreme Court Fees.	Auction Duties	Pedlars' Licences.	Emigrant Duties.	Light House Duties.	S. & D. Seamen's Duties.	TOTALS.
Saint John,	£4,119 12 8	48,470 10 11	10,566 14 10	1,772 10 1	1,402 18 0	138 16 7	0 0 0	1,332 10 0	2,610 17 6	846 12 10	71,281 8 5
Miramichi,	413 3 4	5,532 12 7	1,929 4 9	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 11 9	0 0 0	8 10 0	173 0 10	300 4 2	8,387 7 5
Dalhousie,	177 11 3	2,749 17 10	1,290 5 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 4 8	0 0 0	11 0 0	98 4 9	92 7 3	4,419 11 44
Bathurst,	44 11 9	2,887 18 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,177 13 6	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	61 4 5	47 8 10	1,408 16 9 $\frac{1}{2}$
Shippegan,	35 0 11	468 9 8	188 10 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	17 15 0	15 16 1	716 12 8
Richibucto,	128 1 6	1,407 9 11	867 12 5	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	4 0 0	92 10 5	86 15 2	2,586 9 5
Shediac,	5 19 5	57 2 11	267 16 6	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	27 14 7	27 17 2	387 10 9
Dorchester,	51 11 11	222 0 11	42 8 7	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	27 5 0	4 4 4	347 10 9
Hopewell,	0 0 0	16 11 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	43 3 6	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	23 2 6	3 3 2	86 0 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
Fredericton,	52 19 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	758 7 10	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 10 10	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	811 7 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Woodstock,	8 19 5	173 6 2	283 19 8	0 0 0	0 0 0	5 19 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 0 0	54 10 0	141 3 3	80 7 10	2,524 9 11
Saint Andrews,	142 14 9	1,816 14 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	283 7 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 15 0	5 7 6	8 10 0	86 12 6	47 4 6	1,702 12 9 $\frac{1}{2}$
Saint Stephen,	105 1 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,195 14 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	265 16 3	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	65 19 3	40 16 6	561 16 7
Saint George,	18 0 0	191 4 7	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	23 1 6	9 14 8	68 8 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
West Isles,	5 9 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 17 4	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	4 16 0	0 0 0	4 16 0
Grand Manan,	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
TOTALS,	£5,308 16 9$\frac{1}{2}$	63,997 14 0	16,445 11 9	1,772 10 1	1,402 18 0	146 18 2$\frac{1}{2}$	5 7 6	1,409 0 0	3,444 8 6	1,608 12 6	95,636 17 4

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1848.	1849.	Increase.	Decrease.
Loan Fund,	...	...	£537 4 9	£0 0 0
Ordinary Revenue,	£4,771 11 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	£5,308 16 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	15,157 3 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 0 0
Export Duty,	48,840 10 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	68,997 14 0	0 0 0	1,807 0 11
Casual Revenue,	18,252 12 8	16,445 11 9	0 0 0	827 9 11
Supreme Court Fees,	2,600 0 0	1,772 10 1	735 19 10	0 0 0
Received from the Customs,	666 18 2	1,402 18 0	0 0 0	2,711 15 4
Auction Duties	2,711 15 4	0 0 0	0 0 0	142 1 8
Pedlars' Licences,	288 19 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	146 18 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 0 0	7 0 10
Emigrant Duties,	12 8 4	5 7 6	0 0 0	948 10 0
Light House Duties,	2,357 10 0	1,409 0 0	0 0 0	549 3 9
Sick and Disabled Seamen's Duties,	3,993 12 3	3,444 8 6	0 0 0	219 3 0
	1,822 15 6	1,603 12 6	0 0 0	
TOTALS,	£86,318 14 2$\frac{1}{2}$	£95,536 17 4	£16,430 8 6$\frac{1}{2}$	£7,212 5 5

Treasury, Saint John, 1st January, 1850.

B. ROBINSON, Prov. Treasurer.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch presented to the House a Bill, intituled "An Act relating to the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road Company."

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. R. D. Wilmot, with a Bill for the better extinguishing of Fires which may happen in the City of Saint John; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. End, with a Bill to establish the Polling Places in the County of Gloucester; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Chandler, by leave, presented a Petition from the Carleton County Agricultural Society, praying Legislative aid.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, 18th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison.*

*Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to establish the Polling places in the County of Gloucester :

A Bill for the better extinguishing of Fires which may happen in the City of Saint John : and

A Bill, intituled "An Act relating to the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road Company."

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to incorporate the Shediac Grindstone Manufacturing and Mining Company, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made further progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor General presented to the House a Bill, intituled "An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the administration of Justice in Equity."

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Carman, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland, for the time being, to receive the Title of, and hold a piece of Land in the Town of Newcastle, for the use of a Grammar School in the said Town :

A Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland to levy an assessment to pay off a part of the County Debts : and

A Bill to incorporate the Newcastle and Douglastown Mechanics' Institution.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the two first entered Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the last entered Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. R. D. Wilmot, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for the punishment of persons who shall be guilty of the Trespasses therein mentioned in the City of Saint John :"

A Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to authorize the extension of the Gaol Limits in the City and County of Saint John :"

A Bill to incorporate the Carleton Mechanics' Ship Building and Navigation Company.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the two first entered Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the last entered Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Taylor, with a Bill to authorize Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of York to levy an assessment to pay

pay off the County Debt and Contingent expenses of the County ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Shore, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from William Wilson, praying aid for teaching a School : and

A Petition from Lieutenant Colonel Brown, of Her Majesty's Royal Regiment, praying Return Duties.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Joseph Meredith, praying pecuniary aid : and

A Petition from Robert Morrison, and others, praying a sum of Money in lieu of a School Lot granted to the Episcopal Church.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Minchin, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Joseph Pickard, praying aid for teaching a School :

A Petition from Solomon Denton, with a like prayer :

A Petition from John H. Reid, praying relief for losses sustained in importing Sheep from England : and

A Petition from John M'Intosh, praying return of Money paid for illegal seizure of Horses.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented a Petition from J. F. W. Winslow, and one hundred and thirty others, praying for an Act to incorporate the New Brunswick Iron Company.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hazen, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Henry Gilbert, and three hundred and twenty two others, praying that a School may be established for the Deaf and Dumb :

A Petition from S. D. Miller, praying aid for teaching Cocagne Academy :

A Petition from the Justices of the Peace for the City and County of Saint John, praying amendment of the Acts relating to the Alms House and Work House in Saint John :

A Petition from Robert Rankin and Company, and others, praying an amendment of the Act 2 Vic. cap. 48 : and

A Petition from John Carson, praying pecuniary aid.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Chandler, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Jacob Young, and five hundred and ninety eight others, praying the Duty on Wheat Flour may not be again imposed : A

A Petition from Samuel M'Curdy, praying aid for teaching a School: and
A Petition from Andrew M'Culloch, praying return of Duties.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 19th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland, for the time being, to receive the Title of, and hold a piece of Land in the Town of Newcastle, for the use of a Grammar School in the said Town :

A Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland to levy an assessment to pay off a part of the County Debts :

A Bill to authorize Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of York to levy an assessment to pay off the County Debt and Contingent expenses of the County :

A Bill to continue an Act, intituled " An Act for the punishment of persons who shall be guilty of the Trespasses therein mentioned in the City of Saint John :"

A Bill to continue an Act, intituled " An Act to authorize the extension of the Gaol Limits in the City and County of Saint John :"

A Bill, intituled " An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the administration of Justice in Equity."

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to establish the Polling places in the County of Gloucester.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole to take into consideration the Bill, intituled "An Act relating to the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road Company."

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. R. D. Wilmot, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to alter and amend the Proceedings in the City Court of Saint John : and

A Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to regulate Dockage, Wharfage and Cranage in the City of Saint John and in the Parish of Portland."

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with a Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in this Province ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with the following Resolution :—

" House of Assembly, 18th February, 1850.

" Resolved, That an Humble and Dutiful Address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the Navigation Laws ; and that the Honorable the Legislative Council be requested to join in such Address.

" C. P. WETMORE, Clerk."

RESOLVED, That this House do agree to the said proposed Joint Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, and that the Honorable Messieurs Robertson and Johnston be a Committee on the part of this House to join such Committee as may be appointed by the Assembly to prepare the same.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and communicate the said Resolution to that House.

The Honorable Mr. Shore, by leave, presented a Petition from the Reverend Jerome Alley, praying remuneration for loss sustained by a Grant of Land previously granted to another.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from John Armstrong and Company, praying return of Duty :

A Petition from the President of the Loch Lomond Agricultural Society, praying an Act to pass to compel selling Agricultural Produce by weight :

A Petition from the Carleton County Agricultural Society, praying Return Duty: and
 A Petition from George W. Cleary, and four hundred and ninety one others, praying
 Incorporation of the Orange Lodges.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Robertson, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from the Portland and Lancaster Steam Ferry Company, praying an
 Act to dissolve Company: and

A Petition from Samuel White and others, praying an alteration of the Law in
 regard to Lumber Licences.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Johnston, by leave, presented a Petition from W. J. Lawton,
 praying remuneration for advances to sick Emigrants.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor General, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from the President, Directors and Company of the Woodstock Mecha-
 nics' Institute, praying aid to discharge debt of the Company:

A Petition from Josiah S. Brown, and others, praying relief to insolvent Debtors:

A Petition from W. Brannen, praying aid for teaching a School:

A Petition from Bernard Doherty, praying for return of costs, loss and damage, by
 reason of an unfounded charge as Special Constable at the Woodstock Riots:

A Petition from Susan H. Aitkin, praying balance due W. Aitkin for teaching a
 School:

A Petition from Sarah C. Estey, praying aid for teaching a School: and

A Petition from Donald Cameron, praying aid for teaching a School.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from the Trustees of the Church of Scotland in the Town of Saint An-
 drews, praying an Act to empower them to sell Land and re-invest the proceeds:

A Petition from Thomas Turner, and others, praying no more Duty than five per
 cent. be put upon British Merchandize: and

A Petition from James Kempt Boyd, praying arrearages of and increase to Salary.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from Newcastle and Douglastown Mechanics' Institution, praying pecu-
 niary aid for Library, &c.:

A Petition from Gilmour, Rankin and Company, praying return of Duty:

A Petition from James Johnston, praying aid for teaching a School: and

A Petition from John Wilson, praying remuneration for carrying Her Majesty's
 Mails over South West Branch Miramichi.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

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The Honorable Mr. Solicitor General, ~~by leave,~~ presented a Petition from John Simpson, Esquire, late Commissioner of Alms House, Fredericton, praying a Grant of Money for Hospital expenses.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 20th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to establish the Polling places in the County of Gloucester, was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in this Province :

A Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to regulate Dockage, Wharfage and Cranage in the City of Saint John and in the Parish of Portland :—" and

A Bill to alter and amend the Proceedings in the City Court of Saint John.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill for the better extinguishing of Fires which may happen in the City of Saint John.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was delivered by the Honorable Mr. Chandler, a Member of Her Majesty's Executive Council.

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The Honorable the President read the same; and it was again read by the Clerk, as follows:—

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Message to the Legislative Council,

20th February, 1850.

EDMUND HEAD.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor lays before the Council, copies and extracts of correspondence, with other documents, relating to the following subjects:—

1. Post Office :
2. Immigration and Passenger Act :
3. Canadian Boundary :
4. Vice Admiralty Court :
5. Railways :
6. Sale of Crown Lands :
7. Bounties :
8. Municipal organization and Finances.

E. H.

POST OFFICE.

No. 130.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 12th May, 1849.

SIR,—I herewith transmit for your information the copy of a letter and of its enclosure from the Board of Treasury on the subject of the Rates of Postage to be charged upon Letters between the United States and the British North American Provinces, and I have to request that you will bring this subject under the consideration of your Executive Council, and report to me your opinion as to the course which it may be expedient to adopt on the question raised by the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir Edmund Head, Bart., &c. &c. &c.

[Enclosure in No. 130.]

(Copy)

Treasury Chambers, 4th May, 1849.

SIR,—I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit herewith for the consideration of Earl Grey, copy of a letter from the Post Master General, dated 26th ult. and of its enclosure, on the subject of the rates of Postage to be charged upon Letters between the United States and the British North American Provinces, and I am to request that you will move his Lordship to communicate on the subject with the Colonial authorities, and decide whether a Warrant shall at once be prepared fixing the low uniform rate of Postage proposed in Lord Clanricarde's letter, for Letters between the United States and British North America, or whether it will be more expedient to defer the settlement of the question, and the execution of the additional articles to the recent Convention between the United States and this Country relative to the Letters, until the Posts shall have been transferred to the Provincial Governments, and they shall have an opportunity of considering the amount of the rate which they deem consistent with the interests of the several Provinces.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

J. PARKER.

B. Hawes, Esquire, &c. &c. &c.

To the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

MY LORDS,—I have the honor to transmit to your Lordships the copy of a letter from Mr. Bourne, the officer recently dispatched from this Department to Washington, to arrange with the United States Post Office the additional articles to the Postal Convention between Her Majesty and the United States of America, dated the 15th December, 1848.

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Mr.

Mr. Bourne reports that the additional articles, so far as the international correspondence is concerned, may be considered as almost concluded, but that much difficulty presents itself in arranging the details relating to the correspondence between the United States and the British North American Provinces, owing to the complicated instructions which it will be necessary to issue to the Post Masters in the United States, (nearly 17,000 in number) with respect to the varying rates of Postage chargeable on letters sent to and received from British North America.

Mr. Bourne, and Major Hobbie acting on behalf of the United States Post Office, have come to the conclusion that as it is almost impracticable to carry into operation the provisions of the Convention in this respect as it now stands, the only course to pursue will be to agree to an *uniform* rate upon such letters both in the United States and in British North America,—and they proposed a rate of 7½ cents for the United States, (being the average of their two rates of 5 and 10 cents, the former being chargeable for any distance not exceeding 300 miles, and the latter for any distance exceeding 300)—and 3d. currency or 5 cents for the British North American Provinces.

The sum of 3d. currency is the rate which has been generally fixed upon in the British Provinces as the uniform charge for Letters sent by their internal Posts; whereon, by the transfer of the control of the Posts to the Colonial Governments, they may be enabled by local legislation to carry into effect a reduction of Postage. Still I am of opinion that it would be unwise, at the present moment, without previous communication with the Colonial authorities, to adopt this proposed rate of 3d. currency for Letters transmitted between the British North American Provinces and the United States, and thus put it out of the power of the Colonies to establish a higher rate hereafter upon this class of correspondence, should a further consideration of the subject lead them to the belief that this sum of 3d. is lower than circumstances require or justify.

The lowest existing rate in British North America is 4½d. currency, and consequently an uniform rate of 3d. currency would be an immense reduction.

Looking therefore at the difficulty which has arisen in arranging for the collection in the United States of the varying British Colonial rates, and also at the objection which exists to the establishment, without further inquiry, of a low uniform rate in lieu of such varying rates, I have considered it the best course to instruct Mr. Bourne to introduce a clause into the additional articles, by which the provisions of articles 13 and 14 of the Convention shall be suspended until the two countries can agree upon uniform rates for the correspondence in question. This will in point of fact be leaving matters in their present state with respect to Letters passing between the United States and British North America, forced payment to the frontier continuing to be the rule on both sides; while the remaining points of the Convention will be satisfactorily arranged without further delay.

Under the circumstances represented I trust that the instructions I have given will meet with the approval of your Lordships.

I now beg leave to propose that this matter be brought under the consideration of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, with a request that he will communicate on the subject with the Colonial authorities, and decide whether a Warrant shall at once be prepared, fixing the low uniform rate of Postage recommended for Letters between the United States and British North America; or whether it will be more expedient to defer the settlement of the question and the execution of the additional articles relative to those Letters, until the Post shall have been transferred to the Provincial Governments, and they shall have had an opportunity of considering the amount of the rate, which they deem consistent with the interest of the several Provinces.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

CLANRICARDE.

Washington, 31st March, 1849.

SIR,—Since I transmitted my Report, dated 17th instant, I have been engaged almost daily with Major Hobbie in arranging the additional articles for carrying out the Convention with the United States; and as far as the international correspondence is concerned, they may be considered as almost settled, but I am sorry to say that the details relating to the correspondence passing between the United States and British North America are so complex that the final arrangement must be greatly impeded.

I have not yet received the necessary information from Mr. Stayner, but I had a letter from him on the 26th instant, in which he enclosed copy of a Report which he addressed to you, dated 1st instant, relative to closed Mails, with the European correspondence, being forwarded to and from Kingston and Queenston, by way of New York and Boston, the power to do which the Post Master General possesses under the Convention,—any reference thereto in the additional articles will therefore be unnecessary.

Mr. Stayner says that he is preparing Tables of the Rates of Postage chargeable from the respective Offices of Exchange, and adds, addressing myself—“you appear to have already arrived at the conviction, (inevitable to any one who has considered the subject deliberately,) that whilst the present system obtains in the Provinces of rating according to mileage, it is idle to expect anything like accuracy on the part of the great majority of officers in the United States, (the collective number being, I believe, some fifteen or sixteen thousand,) in collecting our Postage.”

This is certainly my conviction, and also the conviction of Major Hobbie. Mr. Howe, in his Report, expresses the same opinion, and I have no doubt you will have already come to the same conclusion.

Under these circumstances, before concluding the additional articles, I feel it my duty to bring the subject of an uniform rate for the whole of the Provinces before the Post Master General, as the only means by which the stipulations contained in articles 13 and 14 of the Convention can be satisfactorily carried out.

It has formed the subject of the greatest consideration on the part of Major Hobbie and myself, and we have drawn up articles to suit the case as it stands, but to bring them into operation seems almost impracticable.

I had an interview with Mr. Callam, the Post Master General, yesterday, upon the subject. Major Hobbie is of opinion that the Post Master General has the power, without going to Congress, to adopt the medium rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ cents as an uniform rate for the whole of the United States.

Mr. Callam promised to lay the subject before the Cabinet, if I at the same time would submit an uniform rate for the Provinces.

Nothing but necessity would induce me to take this step, as it must delay the settlement of the additional articles; however, the arrangement respecting the international correspondence being actually in operation, a little delay for the sake of a satisfactory conclusion I trust will be excused. Major Hobbie justly observes that the present high rates will totally preclude the United States from availing themselves of the provisions of the 6th article of the Convention, that is, of sending closed Mails through the Provinces, for where they would charge us 10 cents per oz., with the addition of 25 per cent., making $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents, we should charge them 40 cents, with 25 per cent. added, or 50 cents per oz., being four times as much for the same distance; therefore, article 6, so far as the United States are concerned, is a nullity under existing circumstances.

Mr. Stayner, in his report dated 22d July, 1848, says—“with reference to a general reduction in our rates in the Provinces, I would suggest that this uniform and aggregate rate should be $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents, or $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. currency, of which $7\frac{1}{2}$ cents, or $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. currency, shall represent the proportion due to the United States, and 5 cents, or 3d. currency, the proportion due to Canada.” It will be seen that $7\frac{1}{2}$ cents is the rate which Major Hobbie considers may be adopted without the sanction of Congress, as being the average of their two rates, or 5 and 10 cents, which with 5 cents, or 3d. currency, will form a combined rate of $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents, or $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. currency, as recommended by Mr. Stayner, and which appears to me to be a fair and convenient rate.

The reduction would be considered a great boon on both sides of the frontier, but especially so by the inhabitants of the Provinces, and I hope the proposition will meet with a favourable reception from his Lordship the Post Master General.

I enclose a copy of the article which we have drawn up with a view to carry out the arrangements with the existing rates, and annexed thereto is an article which I should propose to substitute for it, in the want of an uniform rate being adopted. I beg to add, that unless an uniform rate be levied in both countries the seventeen thousand Post Masters in the United States must be supplied with lists of places in the Provinces, shewing the distances and rates of Postage from each frontier office, which
particulars

particulars must be written in, as they will differ in almost every case; and each Post Master in the Provinces must be supplied with a similar list of places in the United States.

I shall be glad to be informed whether it is intended to reduce the rate of 1s. on Letters conveyed by Packet between Halifax and the United States, and if so, what the rate will be, as it is necessary to insert the rate in the additional articles. Should 3d. currency be adopted as an uniform rate in the case under consideration, it seems advisable to make it applicable to Letters conveyed between Halifax and the United States by sea.

The earliest decision possible is necessary upon this important question, in order that the additional articles may be completed and brought into operation forthwith.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

H. BOURNE.

Copy of the Article proposed to be inserted in the additional Articles providing for the Rates of Postage to be taken on Letters passing between the United States and British North America, according to the existing regulations in each Country.

ARTICLE.

The United States rate of Postage to be taken on Letters forwarded between the United States and the British North American Provinces, under Article 13 of the Convention of December 15, 1848, shall be as follows :—

On any Letter not exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. in weight conveyed or to be conveyed any distance within the United States not exceeding 300 miles, a rate of 5 cents, and for any distance exceeding 300 miles a rate of 10 cents.

When the United States rates of Postage are collected in British North America, 5 cents shall be considered equivalent to 3d. and 10 cents to 6d. British Provincial currency.

The British Provincial rates of Postage to be taken under the provisions of the same Article, shall be as follows :—

On any Letter not exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. in weight conveyed or to be conveyed any distance within British North America not exceeding 60 miles, a rate of 4d. sterling, or 8 cents:

Above 60 miles but not exceeding 100 miles, a rate of 6d. sterling, or 12 cents:

Above 100 miles but not exceeding 200 miles, a rate of 8d. sterling, or 16 cents:

Above 200 miles but not exceeding 300 miles, a rate of 10d. sterling, or 20 cents: and so on, an additional rate of 2d. sterling, or 4 cents, for every distance not exceeding 100 miles.

The foregoing rates of Postage, when paid in British North America, shall be collected in Provincial currency in sums equivalent to the rates in sterling above specified.

Article to be substituted for the above, in the event of *uniform* rates of Postage being taken in the United States and in British North America.

ARTICLE.

The rates of Postage to be taken under the provisions of Article 13 of the Convention of December 15, 1848, shall be as follows :—

There shall be charged by the Post Office of the United States upon all Letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight posted in the United States and forwarded to British North America, or brought from British North America and delivered in the United States, an uniform rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ cents, or 4d. currency; and there shall be charged by the Post Offices in British North America upon all Letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight posted in British North America and forwarded to the United States, or brought from the United States and delivered in British North America, an uniform rate of currency, or cents.

NOTE.—The above is drawn up in form similar to article 2 in the Convention.

The article which will follow in the additional articles will provide for the two rates being combined, as stipulated in article 14 of the Convention.

No. 54.—(Copy)

Government House, Fredericton, June 12, 1849.

MY LORD,—In compliance with the directions contained in your Despatch of May 12th, No. 130, I yesterday brought the subject of the Postage, to which that Despatch and its enclosure relates, before a full meeting of my Executive Council.

The Council are unanimously of opinion, that it will be expedient to fix the uniform rates suggested by Mr. Bourne, of 7½ cents and 5 cents, (say 3d currency,) for the respective Postage of Letters in the United States and the British Provinces; and they think this alteration might be advantageously made at once by Warrant.

In this view I myself concur.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

EDMUND HEAD.

The Right Honorable Earl Grey, &c. &c. &c.

No. 152.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 18th August, 1849.

SIR,—I herewith transmit for your information and guidance the copy of a letter from the Board of Treasury, relative to the payment of Surplus Postage Revenue due to the Province of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir E. Head, Bt., &c. &c. &c.

[Enclosure in No. 152.]

(Copy)

Treasury Chambers, 6th August, 1849.

SIR,—With reference to the communication from this Department of the 23d May last, and to your reply of the 5th June, I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to acquaint you, for the information of Earl Grey, that my Lords have directed a Warrant to be prepared, authorizing the Post Master General to cause payment to be made to the Receiver General of Canada of the sum of £5,405 7 6, to the Receiver General of Nova Scotia of the sum of £285 7 9, and to the Receiver General of New Brunswick of the sum of £872 10 1, being the amount of Surplus Postage accruing in those respective Colonies during the year ended 5th July, 1848, and remaining applicable to the public service therein, under the provisions of the Act 7 & 8 Vict. c. 49.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

W. G. HAYTER.

Herman Merivale, Esquire, &c. &c. &c.

INLAND POSTS.

Circular.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 10th August, 1849.

SIR,—I transmit herewith for your information and guidance, copies of an Act* which has recently received the Royal assent, for enabling Colonial Legislatures to establish Inland Posts.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir Edmund Head, Bt., &c. &c. &c.

* Cap. 66, passed 23th July, 1849.

EMIGRATION.

No. 110.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 9th February, 1849.

SIR,—I transmit for your information the copy of a Report which has been received by the Emigration Commissioners from the Emigration Office at Cork; and I have to desire that you will communicate this information to your Executive Council, as shewing the importance to the Trade of the Province of not making the regulations to which Emigrant Ships are subjected more severe than is absolutely requisite, in order to guard against a recurrence of the evils formerly experienced.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir E. Head, Bt., &c. &c. &c.

[Enclosure in No. 110.]

(Copy)

Government Emigration Office, Cove, 31st January, 1849.

SIR,—I beg herewith to forward the cost of passage for the ensuing Season. The Passenger Brokers have informed me that there is every prospect of a large Emigration to the United States this season, but that to the North American Colonies will be very small. Indeed there is no intention at present to charter any vessels for them. The heavy tax on Emigrants seems quite to have driven Emigration to the United States. It is expected that small farmers and tradesmen will form the majority this year.

(Signed)

I have, &c.

CHARLES FRIEND, R. M.
Emigration Officer.

S. Walcott, Esquire.

PLACE.	CABIN.			INTERMEDIATE.				STEERAGE.				Usual length of Passage.	Usual season of sailing.	To what destination do the greater number of Emigrants go from this Port.	Is it usual to carry Intermediate Passengers.	Remarks.	
	Usual cost of Passage.	Cabin, whether fitted.	Articles found by Ship.	Usual cost of Passage with Provisions.	Usual cost of Passage without Provisions.	Cabin, whether fitted.	Articles found by Ship.	Usual cost of Passage with Provisions.	Usual cost of Passage without Provisions.	Berth, whether fitted.	What can an Emigrant victual himself for.						Articles found by Ship.
New York,	£10 to £15	Fitted.	Cabin Fare.	£6	£3	Berth only.	Fuel, water, 1lb bread, 10lb meal.	£5 10s	£4	Berth only.	20s to 30s	Fuel, water, 1lb bread, 10lb meal.	40	all the year,	New York and Boston.	no	
New Orleans,	£10 to £15	..	..	..	..	..	..	£5 10s	£3 5s	..	..	..	do	Oct. to May	..	no	
Quebec,	£10 to £15	..	..	..	..	..	..	£5 10s	£4	..	..	Fuel, water, 1lb bread.	45	Spring and Summer	..	no	
New Brunswick,	£10 to £15	..	..	..	..	..	..	£5 10s	£4	..	..	..	40	..	..	no	
Halifax,	£10 to £15	..	..	..	..	..	..	£5 10s	£4	..	..	..	40	..	..	..
Texas,	£20 to £30	..	..	£16	..	..	..	£5 10s	£4	..	..	..	40	..	..	..
West Indies,		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkland Islands,		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cape Good Hope,		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mauritius,		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ceylon,		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hong Kong,		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Australia,		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
New Zealand,		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Same as in London and Liverpool Vessels.—None direct from this Port.

* Children, 1 to 14 years, £3.—Infants under 1 year, £1.

Government Emigration Office, Cove, 30th January, 1849.

(Signed)

CHARLES FRIEND, R. M.
Emigration Officer.

No. 127.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 10th May, 1849.

SIR,—I have the honor to state that I duly received your Despatch, No. 14, of the 3rd February last, and that I have considered with attention, the Report which it contained from a Committee of your Executive Council upon the subject of Immigration, and the settlement of the Wild Lands.

2. The description which the Committee have furnished of each County, of the nature of its soil and produce, and its general features, is very interesting, and I cannot but receive with pleasure so favourable a description of the Province, by gentlemen possessed of such good means of information. With a view of giving it all practicable publicity, I have instructed the Commissioners of Emigration to include this document in the appendix to their forthcoming annual report.

3. At the same time there are some strong reasons for hoping that the Colony cannot have suffered that injury which the Committee apprehend to have occurred from ignorance and false impressions in this country. It must be remembered, that only last year, the Agent for Emigration found it necessary to report, that in the course of twelve months, "at least five thousand persons, natives and residents," had left New Brunswick for the United States, many of them being capitalists, and nearly all possessing some money. It is plain therefore, that no impression was then prevailing in England which had prevented even a much greater number of persons from resorting to the Province than found that they could eventually establish themselves there; and so far as regards the influx of persons of a humbler class, you are doubtless aware from the records of your Government, that the local authorities have repeatedly found it necessary to address requests to the Government of this Country, that Emigration to the Province should be checked.

4. I have perused with much care the Committee's account of what appears to them the principal defects in the present system of disposing of the Crown Lands. These are

1st. The form in which the lots are laid out. These are said to be sometimes as much as seven miles deep and only thirty rods wide.

2nd. The sale of large blocks to land speculators, who obtain them, not for improvement, but for re-sale.

3rd. The want of a continuity of survey, by reason of which settlers are dispersed and divided.

5. I agree with the Committee, that any defects of this kind which may exist must be of an injurious tendency. In so far however as regards the first and third points adverted to, viz: the shape of the lots and the want of continuity of survey, it can only rest with the Executive Government of the Province, if satisfied of the prevalence of those evils, to supply the remedy by an alteration of its present regulations and instructions.

6. The separation of the settlers, in consequence of the accumulation in private hands of large tracts, held, not for improvement, but for re-sale, is an evil which it is more difficult to deal with. One safeguard against it might be afforded by a much higher upset price, and I can quite believe that the price of land might be advantageously raised, notwithstanding the lower rate at which it might be bought elsewhere, provided that the purchase money were spent on roads and on other improvements which would make the land more valuable to the real settler, so that the increase of price to him would be nominal. But from the tenor of the opinions which have been often expressed from the Province, I am aware that no increase of price is liable to be deemed admissible there; and it must be admitted that such an increase would not remedy the evil already existing, even though it should prevent its recurrence. The only measure which would attain both objects would be the imposition of a small tax on lands, applicable to local purposes, such as exists in the Northern States of the Union, and in the Province of Canada. This measure, if feasible, is one which can emanate only from the local Legislature, but which it is competent to that authority to pass at any time, if judged by it to be requisite for the public interests.

7. Besides pointing out the defects which I have above examined, the Committee give their opinion in favour of a plan of settlement, suggested to them by Mr. Beckwith of the Land Department, of which the principal features are, that land should be disposed of in small lots, and that the settler should only pay one fourth of the price in money, contributing the remainder in labour on the roads. This is a scheme, which in various forms has often been suggested from New Brunswick, and which in some cases that will be within your knowledge, has been fully tried.

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8. I need scarcely mention the objections of a general character to sales of land upon credit. They have been repeatedly urged in those treatises which have most authority on the subject of Colonization, and have been often reproduced in public documents. In Lord Stanley's Despatch of 3d February, 1843, and in the previous papers therein referred to, he pointed out these objections as applicable to some plans which were then contemplated in New Brunswick, and he again referred to them in a later Despatch of the 28th September, 1844, upon certain new land regulations at that time devised by the Council. Nevertheless, Lord Stanley stated, that as they were recommended on such high authority he would not desire them to be cancelled, but would leave it with the Governor to act upon them, until experience should show whether or not they were advantageous to the Province.

9. I am not aware however, that any very distinct report was made by your Predecessor, of the extent to which those rules were acted upon, or of the consequences which may have ensued. From his Despatch of the 27th April, 1847, I gathered that the Legislature objected to incurring any expenses for the formation of such settlements. I can only state that the whole subject having been referred to the local authorities, I am not aware of the existence of any instructions from Home which would interfere with the trial of any experiment which may be shewn to the satisfaction of yourself and the Legislature, if a vote of public money be required, to be advisable.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir Edmund Head, Bt., &c. &c. &c.

PASSENGER ACT.

Circular.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 12th August, 1849.

SIR,—I transmit herewith for your information and guidance, copies of the Act* which has recently received the Royal assent, for regulating the carriage of Passengers in Merchant Vessels; and I have to direct your attention to the 62nd and 63rd sections of this Act, which imposes upon the Governor of any of Her Majesty's Possessions abroad, the duty of proclaiming the scale of dietary in Passenger Ships leaving their respective Governments, and the length of time which is to be allowed for the voyages which those ships are to undertake.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir Edmund Head, Bart., &c. &c. &c.

* Cap. 33, passed 13th July, 1849.

CANADIAN BOUNDARY.

No. 133.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 22d May, 1849.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No 40, of the 13th April last, enclosing an Address to the Queen from the Legislative Council of New Brunswick, praying for an early settlement of the question respecting the Boundary Line in dispute between Canada and New Brunswick.

I have to request that you will inform the Council, that I have laid their Address before the Queen, but that it will not be in my power to tender any advice to Her Majesty until I shall be in possession of the views of the Canadian Government on the subject, to which I have again directed the attention of the Earl of Elgin.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir Edmund Head, Bt., &c. &c. &c.

VICE ADMIRALTY COURT.

No. 128.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 11th May, 1849.

SIR,—I transmit for your information and guidance, copies of a correspondence which has passed between this Department and the Boards of Treasury and Admiralty, relative to the establishment of a revised Table of Fees for the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec, together with a copy of the joint report of the Queen's Advocate, the Advocate of the Admiralty, and Mr. Rothery, on this subject.

The result is, that the Table of Fees (of which I enclose a printed copy) has been recently established at Quebec, under the authority of an Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated the 2d March, 1848.

You will bring these documents under the consideration of your Executive Council, with a view to the adoption of any measures which the Legislature of New Brunswick may deem expedient for making the same scale of Fees applicable to the Court of the Province under your jurisdiction.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor, Sir Edmund Head, Bt., &c. &c. &c.

[Enclosure in No. 128.]

(Copy)

Treasury Chambers, 11th December, 1847.

SIR,—With reference to the communications made to this Board by direction of Earl Grey, on the 26th of August, 1846, and 17th of June last, respecting the establishment of a Tariff of Fees for the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec, and to the previous correspondence on that subject, I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit to you the enclosed Report from the Queen's Advocate, the Advocate of the Admiralty, the Registrar of the High Court of Admiralty, and Mr. Rothery; and I am to request that in submitting the same for the consideration of Lord Grey, you will observe to his Lordship, that as the arrangement for remunerating the Judge, and partly remunerating the Registrar and Marshal of the Court, by salaries to be provided for by the Provincial Government, and also the Tariff of Fees submitted in this Report, are with very trifling exceptions in conformity with propositions of the Committee of the Canadian Executive Council, approved by the late Governor General, Lord Grey may possibly not deem it necessary that the subject should be further referred to the authorities in Canada, and in such case my Lords would be prepared to cause the Report to be forwarded to the Lords of the Admiralty, in order that the requisite steps may be taken for the establishment of the Table of Fees by the authority of Her Majesty in Council, as provided for by the Act of 2 and 3 W. 4, cap. 51.

Adverting also to the propositions which have been submitted to the Secretary of State for modification of the fees levied in other Vice Admiralty Courts in the North American Provinces, I am to request you will further move Lord Grey to cause my Lords to be informed whether his Lordship is prepared to make any reference on the subject to the Governments of those Colonies, which would seem a requisite preliminary to the establishment in them of a similar tariff, inasmuch as the adoption of such tariff would involve the necessity for provision, as in the case of Canada, for the payment from Colonial funds of salaries to the Judges and other officers of the respective Courts.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

C. E. TREVELYAN.

B. Hawes, Esquire, &c. &c. &c.

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VICE ADMIRALTY COURT OF QUEBEC.

In obedience to the reference made to us respecting the establishment of a Table of the Fees to be taken by the officers and practitioners of this Vice Admiralty Court, we have taken into our consideration the Table of Fees framed and established under the Act of the 2d of W. the 4th, cap. 51, also the Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated the 20th of November 1835, which annulled and revoked such Table of Fees so far as it had been made applicable to this Vice Admiralty Court. We have also had reference to a variety of documents connected with this subject, and to a form of Table of Fees submitted to us in August 1843, for the consideration of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies; and we have also perused and fully considered the letters from the Colonial Office to the Treasury, respectively dated the 26th of August, 1846, and the 17th of June, 1847, together with the several documents transmitted with the said letters; and we have moreover, specially directed our attention to the Report of a Committee appointed by his Excellency, Lord Metcalfe, late Governor General of Lower Canada, for the purpose of raising the aforesaid proposed form of Table of Fees; and we have also taken into our consideration the whole of the evidence given before the said Committee, together with the Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive in Council of Lower Canada;

Canada; and we are of opinion that as it has been customary for the Judge of this Vice Admiralty Court to receive a salary for the performance of his official duties, and as we are further instructed that such Judge has hitherto invariably united in his person a higher and more lucrative judicial appointment, together with that of this Vice Admiralty Court, we concur in the opinion expressed by the Committee of the Honorable the Executive in Council, that the Judge of this Vice Admiralty Court should be paid a salary of two hundred pounds per annum, out of the Provincial funds of the Colony, and not be permitted to receive fees from any of the suitors in the Court.

We are further of opinion that the Registrar and Marshal should be paid partly by salary, and partly by a reduced or moderate scale of Fees, and we think that the salary of the Registrar should be one hundred pounds per annum, and that of the Marshal should be fifty pounds per annum, in addition to the fees to which they will respectively be entitled for the duties they may have to perform.

We advert to that part of the Report of the Committee which alludes to the Merchants' Seamen's Act, the 7th and 8th of Victoria, cap. 112, wherein they express their regret that the jurisdiction of this and other Courts of Admiralty, in respect to seamen's wages, in cases under twenty pounds, had been taken from these Courts and transferred to Magistrates; and the Commissioners suggest the repeal of this part of the Seamen's Act. We consider, however, that it would not be within the scope of our reference, to give any opinion on this subject, but we think it right to direct attention to that part of the Commissioners Report, which states that this Act will have the effect of taking away the greater part of the fees proposed to be taken by the officers of this Court of Vice Admiralty.

We also think it advisable to refer to that part of Lord Cathcart's letter of the 28th of July, 1846, which transmits several of the documents to which we have adverted, in order as, his Lordship states, "That they may be submitted to the proper officers before the final enactment by Her Majesty in Council, of a Tariff of Fees for the several Courts of Vice Admiralty in British North America," and to observe that the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec is the only Court to which the several documents we had before us in any manner relate, and inasmuch as it is the only Court where the Fees established by the said Act of the 2nd and 3rd of W. 4th, cap. 51, has been annulled and revoked by Order in Council,—consequently the Table of Fees to be taken in all the other Vice Admiralty Courts in British North America must be made conformably to Act of Parliament until such Act be revoked by Order of Her Majesty in Council. On this point however, we think our safer course is to refer to that part of the Report of the Committee, wherein they state—"we have not failed to advert to the desire which has been expressed, that if practicable, a Tariff should be formed applicable to all Colonies in North America; but in the absence of information as to the practice and the relative position of the different officers of the Vice Admiralty Courts of the other Colonies, compared with that of Canada, we have felt that we best discharged the duty imposed upon us by confining ourselves to suggesting what we conceive to be the most desirable for the Vice Admiralty Court of this Province.

The following is the proposed Table of Fees to be taken by the officers and practitioners of the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec.

Table of Fees to be taken by the Judge, Registrar, Marshal, Advocates, and Proctors of the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec.

JUDGE.

Sterling Money.
£ s. d.

No Fees to be allowed to the Judge. His Salary to be, in lieu of all Fees, ... 200 0 0

BY THE SURROGATE.

Fees in the Progress of a Suit or Cause.

For administering an Oath as to a Witness or Party in a Cause. Taking Bail, whether by one or more Persons. Decreeing Monition, Commission, Attachment, or any other Instrument; or for any Judicial Act done before or after the hearing of the Cause, ... 0 1 6

BY THE REGISTRAR.

1. *Fees on Instruments prepared by the Registrar.*

	£	s.	d.
For Drawing and Engrossing—			
Warrant to arrest Ship, Goods, or Person,			
Copy, and Filing Affidavit,	0	4	6
Bail Bond,	0	4	6
Monition, Commission, or Decree, whether of Unlivery, Appraisement or Sale, or otherwise,	0	9	0
Writ, or Instrument of Restitution,	0	9	0
Compulsory or Subpcena against Witnesses,	0	3	0
Writ of Attachment,	0	9	0
If either of the preceding Instruments exceed in length ten folios, for every folio beyond ten,	0	1	0

NOTE.—The folio mentioned throughout this Table of Fees must contain ninety words, reckoning each figure as a word.

Should the Registrar be required to prepare any other Document, Instrument, or matter whatsoever, not specified in this Table, he will be entitled to the same charge as a Proctor, viz.—

For Drawing, for every folio,	0	1	0
For Fair Copying or Engrossing, for every folio,	0	0	6

2. *Fees on Documents not prepared by the Registrar, but by the Proctor, Solicitor, or Advocate in the Cause.*

On a Decree, pronouncing for the interest of a Party proceeding <i>in pœnam</i> , being signed by the Judge, including the drawing the Act,	0	6	0
On filing Affidavit or Protest of a Master or Mariners, without reference to the number of persons making the same,	0	1	6
On filing Libel, Information, Claim, Proxy, or similar Document,	0	2	3
On filing Exhibit annexed thereto, or to any Affidavit,	0	0	6
On signing (or filing) personal Answers of a Party in a Suit, including drawing the Act,	0	3	0

3. *Fees on taking the Examination of Witnesses.*

On the Examination of every Witness on an Information, Libel, Interrogatories, or Plea, (whether <i>viva voce</i> or otherwise) a fee of,	0	4	6
For each folio to which the Examination shall extend, if in English,	0	1	0
If by Interpretation (Interpreter included),	0	2	0

NOTE.—It should be understood, that the Registrar, or whoever acts as the Examiner for him, should take Depositions in chief of the Witnesses, on the Libel, Information, or Plea itself, without written Interrogatories; putting such relevant questions, *viva voce*, as may suggest themselves; and care should be taken not to lead the Witness. The Libel, Information, or Plea, should therefore always be drawn sufficiently precise and full to enable the Examiner to take the Examinations accordingly.

The Cross-examinations must, of course, be taken on written Interrogatories.

4. *Fees on Office Copies of Papers or Proceedings.*

For Office Copy of Sentence or Interlocutory Decree, certified under Seal,	0	6	0
For Office Copy of any Affidavit, Examination, Answers of a Party, or other Documents or Proceedings in a Cause, or Extract therefrom, if under twelve folios,	0	4	6
If exceeding twelve folios, for each folio beyond twelve,	0	0	6
Office Copies of Papers and Proceedings to form a Process, to be transmitted to the Court of Appeal, or for any other purpose, for each folio contained therein,	0	6	0

5. *Fees on Translation of Papers.*

Where Papers are translated, the Registrar should charge the Disbursement actually made to the Translator, with an addition of one-fourth, to compensate himself for his trouble, advance, &c.

6. <i>Incidental Fees in the Progress of a Cause.</i>		£	s.	d.
On Subduction of an Action,		0	4	6
For entering every ordinary Act of Court, not specified in this Table,		0	1	0
On every Default pronounced against Parties in Contempt, in Cases proceeding <i>in penam</i> ,		0	4	6
On every Interlocutory Decree, or Sentence, including drawing the Act, to be paid by the Party succeeding,		0	9	0
For every Attendance before a Judge or Surrogate, at which any Decree is made, other than an Interlocutory or Sentence including the Act, drawing the Act,		0	4	6
For a Receipt for original Documents delivered out of the Registry,		0	1	6
On a Search or Examination of the Records, by any person not being a Party in the Cause in which the Search is made,		0	1	0

NOTE.—No Fee to be charged to a Party in the Cause, or to any Seaman applying for a Search.

For advertising an intermediate or extra Court Day, in addition to the sum paid for Advertisement,		0	4	6
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7. *On Paying out Money.*

For preparing Receipt for Money to be paid out of the Registry,		0	1	6
Poundage on Money paid out of the Registry, for every Pound sterling,		0	0	2

8. *Taxing Costs.*

For Taxing a Bill of Costs, if under six folios, from the Party at whose instance the Taxation takes place,		0	4	6
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9. *References of Accounts, &c., by the Judge, to the Registrar and Merchants.*

To the Registrar,		2	2	0
To the Assistant Merchant,		2	2	0

If two Merchants, Two Guineas each.

BY THE MARSHAL.

For arresting a Vessel, Goods, or Person,		0	18	0
For keeping possession of a Vessel and Cargo, jointly, or either of them singly, when the same are not under the responsible charge and custody of the Officers of the Customs, for each day in which they remain in the Marshal's charge, exclusive of charge for keepers when necessary,		0	3	0

NOTE.—This Fee not to be chargeable in cases where the Goods have been put into Store or Warehouse.

For inquiring into and certifying the sufficiency of Persons proposed as Sureties in any Suit,		0	2	3
For release of a Vessel, Goods, or Person, from Arrest,		0	2	3
For executing any Monition, or Decree for Answers of a Party, or Compulsory, or other Instrument not specified,		0	4	6
For every Default or Decree, pronounced for the interest of a Party proceeding <i>in penam</i> ,		0	3	0
For every Attendance in Court, when a Sentence or Interlocutory Decree is pronounced,		0	4	6
For executing any Decree or Commission of Appraisement, exclusive of the Appraiser's Fees, but including the making of the Inventory, if the value should not exceed £500 sterling,		1	1	0
For the like Duty, when the value exceeds £500 sterling,		1	16	0
For executing every Decree or Commission of Sale of Ship, or Goods, by Public Auction, when the gross proceeds are under £200 sterling,		1	1	0
And in every additional £100 sterling,		0	10	6
On attending the execution of a Decree or Commission of Unlivery of Cargo (when not done for the purpose of Sale), per Day,		0	16	0

For taking a Person in Execution after Sentence, if the Sum due from such Person does not exceed £20 sterling,	£	s.	d.
For the like Duty, when the sum is above £20 and under £50 sterling,	0	18	0
For the like Duty, when the sum is above £50 and under £100 sterling, for every Pound sterling due,	1	16	0
And on every additional Pound sterling after the first £100,	0	1	0
	0	0	6

NOTE.—Should it be necessary for the Marshal to go any distance to execute any of the above Duties, there should be paid to him for Loss of Time and Travelling Expenses, in addition to the preceding Fees, the following:—

If the distance exceed Four and be under Six miles,	1	1	0
If the distance be still greater, the allowance to be increased by an addition of 2s. 3d. for each additional league, and his reasonable disbursements.			

BY THE ADVOCATES.

As the professions of Advocate and Proctor are not as yet separated in Lower Canada, the Fees of both are inserted under the following head.

BY THE ADVOCATES AND PROCTORS.

Retaining Fee, Instructions to prosecute or defend,	0	10	6
For attending before the Judge, or Judge Surrogate, either in Court or Chambers,	0	6	0
On extracting any Warrant, Monition, Commission, Writ, or other Instrument,	0	6	0
Drawing Libel, Information, Claim, and Affidavit, Act on Petition, Responsive Plea (or Publication) to Libel or Information, or Act on Petition,	0	18	0
Engrossing Copies, each,	0	9	0
Drawing Interrogatories, Answers, Affidavits, or any other Proceeding whatever, not herein specified, for each folio,	0	1	0
Fair Copying or Engrossing, for every folio,	0	0	6

NOTE.—It should be understood that in preparing Interrogatories for the cross-examination of Witnesses, they are not to be drawn separately for each Witness to whom the same are to be administered, but that when practicable, as in most instances will be the case, one set of Interrogatories should be prepared generally applicable to all the Witnesses.

For Consultation with Party, for the purpose of taking Instructions for the Libel, Information, Plea, Act on Petition, or for any other important purpose, during the dependence of a Suit,	0	6	0
The Fee for the final Hearing must depend upon the length of the Evidence and the importance and difficulties of the cause; but in cases of no great intricacy, the Fee should be from Two to Three Guineas, and not to exceed the latter sum, unless where the Proceedings are voluminous or unusually important or difficult, and in this last case not to exceed Five Guineas.			
For any necessary Attendance on the Registrar, or on the adverse Proctor, during the Progress of a Cause, to adjust any incidental point in the Suit, or on the Marshal, to instruct him as to the service of any Instrument, reporting Bail, &c.,	0	4	6
On all Office Copies of Depositions, &c., obtained from the Registrar, one-third of the actual sum paid at the Registry is to be added for the trouble of collating and extracting the same.			
For perusing and considering any Papers, Exhibits, or Documents, furnished or introduced into a Cause, by the adverse Party, or furnished by a Party to his own Proctor, for the purpose of being brought forward as Evidence in the Suit, if not exceeding twelve folios,	0	3	0
For every additional twelve folios,	0	1	6
For attending Informations on the final Hearing of a Cause, when it occupies only a short time, 10s.; if a few hours, 16s. 8d.; if a whole day, £1. 6s. 8d.,	0	16	8
		or	
	1	6	8

NOTE.—In some of the Vice Admiralty Courts, Proceedings for the Forfeitures of Ships or Goods, and for the recoveries of Penalties consequent thereon, have, in some instances, been carried on by two separate Suits; one for the condemnation of the Property, and the other for the Penalties. This mode of proceeding should be discontinued, one Suit only being necessary to accomplish both objects.

In all cases under £20 sterling, wherein the Judge shall see fit to order that the Proceedings be summary and the Evidence taken *viva voce*, the Fees to be taken by the several Officers of the Court shall become half of the foregoing Fees, and no more, save and except as to the Fee for the Warrant of Arrest, Arrest and Bail Bond, which shall remain as above.

So also as to cases under £20 sterling settled before the return of the Warrant.

Supplementary Rules.

The Rules and Regulations established by the King's Order in Council of the 27th June, 1832, are not to be construed to have set aside the former practice in the Courts of Vice Admiralty, of allowing the Defendant to require from the Promoter to Libel with Sureties, unless the Promoter should be admitted by the Court to his juratory caution.

From the shortness of the season of the navigation at the Port of Quebec, and the danger and risk to ships towards the close of the navigation in the autumn, from even so short as twenty four hours notice of bail to answer an action, this period of notice of bail, as provided by the 11th Section of the above Rules and Regulations, shall not be required, where the parties who are proposed as the Bail make oath that they are respectively worth more than the amount for which they are proposed as Bail or Security, over and above the amount of all their just debts.

(Signed)

J. DODSON.
JOSEPH PHILLIMORE.
WM. ROTHERY.
H. B. SWABEY.

(Copy)

Admiralty, 4th April, 1849.

SIR,—I am commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to transmit to you for the information of Earl Grey, the enclosed copy of the Table of Fees of the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec.

(Signed)

W. A. B. HAMILTON.

H. Merivale, Esq., &c. &c. &c.

(Copy)

Downing Street, 21st April, 1849.

SIR,—I am directed by Earl Grey to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, transmitting by command of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a copy of the Table of Fees of the Vice Admiralty Court of Quebec.

Lord Grey requests to be informed whether the Table of Fees thus communicated to him in copy has been forwarded by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to Canada, and if so, at what period it was so sent. His Lordship also wishes to be informed whether the Table has been confirmed by an Order of the Queen in Council, and if so, of the date which that Order bears.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

H. MERIVALE.

Capt. W. B. Hamilton, R. N., &c. &c. &c.

(Copy)

Admiralty, 26th April, 1849.

SIR,—With reference to your letter of the 21st inst., I am commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to request that you will acquaint Earl Grey that a copy of the Table of Fees of the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec was sent from this office to the Judge of the Vice Admiralty at Quebec on the 30th May, 1848, and that the Order in Council establishing these Fees was dated 2nd March, 1848.

(Signed)

W. A. B. HAMILTON.

H. Merivale, Esq., &c. &c. &c.

RAIL ROADS.

No. 118.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 5th April, 1849.

SIR,—I have hitherto deferred answering your Despatch of the 6th January last, on the subject of the proposed Halifax and Quebec Railway, because I was unwilling to abandon the hope that in doing so I might be enabled to communicate to you the determination of Her Majesty's Government to submit to Parliament some definite proposal, with a view to the execution of this great national undertaking. I regret however to have now to inform you that, for the present at least, it has been found impracticable to overcome the difficulties which have stood in the way of every plan which has hitherto been suggested for providing for the cost of a work of such magnitude as the proposed Railway. While I entirely concur in your estimate of the extreme importance of that work to the Empire at large, as well as the North American Provinces; and while I gladly acknowledge that the Members of your Council have shewn a disposition to do all that lies in them to promote its accomplishment; and has suggested a measure which has much to recommend it for effecting this object; still Her Majesty's Government have reluctantly come to the conclusion, that in the present circumstances of this country, they would not be justified in applying to Parliament for the appropriation of so large a sum for this Railway as it has been estimated it would cost. You will express to the Members of your Council my strong sense of the judgment and ability they have displayed in the consideration of this important subject, although the measure which they have suggested has unfortunately been found open to objections which have proved insurmountable. It would be to me a subject of deep regret if I believed that the determination not to adopt this particular measure implied that all hope of hereafter carrying the projected Railway into effect by other means must be given up,—but I see no reason for coming to any such conclusion, nor will I despair that this great design may at no distant period be resumed with a happier result.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir E. Head, Bt., &c. &c. &c.

No. 145.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 12th July, 1849.

SIR,—I have to inform you that the two Acts of the Legislature of New Brunswick, No 1877, "An Act further to facilitate the making of a Rail Road from Saint Andrews to Woodstock, with a Branch to Saint Stephen," and No. 1879, "An Act to incorporate the Saint John and Shediac Railway Company," transmitted to me with your Despatch, No. 45, of the 14th May, will be submitted to Her Majesty for confirmation at the next Council, of which I inform you beforehand, as it may be important that the intelligence should be conveyed to the Province.

2. With reference to No. 1877 I have only to observe that it appears to authorize a very extensive grant of Crown Lands to the Company. But inasmuch as it is very probable that the actual amount of land at the disposal of the Crown along the intended line is not so extensive as might at first sight appear, (and indeed I have received information to this effect,) I trust the danger which such extensive grants would seem to occasion of diverting the intention of a Company established for a particular purpose, to other objects unconnected with their proper functions, may in this instance be more apparent than real.

3. With regard to No. 1879 I forward an extract from a Report of the Commissioners of Railways, in which certain defects in its provisions are pointed out. I do not consider that these defects are such as to make it necessary for me to advise Her Majesty to refuse Her confirmation to it.—And it is probable that the suggestions of the Commissioners, being founded chiefly on English experience, may not be found applicable in the case of a Railway to be constructed under such very different circumstances as those which prevail in New Brunswick. But I consider that this Report may point out the substance of some amendments which might be usefully made hereafter in the Act.

4. I find however that a Report on the other New Brunswick Railway Acts, pointing out similar deficiencies, was made to this Department by the Commissioners of Railways in October 1847, and that a copy of it was forwarded to your predecessor in my Despatch of the 22d of that month; nevertheless it does not appear that the suggestions contained in that Report have been embodied in later Acts,

Acts, or any notice taken of them so far as I am aware. It is very true that the observations of this Board may not in all respects be applicable to the circumstances of New Brunswick, for reasons already stated, nor have I ever desired to impose their views on the Legislature for adoption; but when any good reason appears for not adopting them, it would be more satisfactory if I were informed of it.

5. The language of this Report respecting the expediency of general Legislation on the subject of Railways, appears to me well worthy of your attention. The convenience of having the ordinary provisions applicable to all Railway Acts, embodied in one or more public Statutes, is so great, that the practice has been adopted not only in England, but also in some of the Colonies. If Railway communication extends in New Brunswick as rapidly as it may be hoped it will do, the inconvenience of the opposite mode of Legislation by which these provisions are repeated in each separate Act will probably make itself felt.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir E. Head, Bart., &c. &c. &c.

(Copy)

[Enclosure in No. 145.]

Extract of a Report from the Commissioners of Railways to H. Merivale, Esquire, dated Whitehall, 30th June, 1849:—

With reference to the Act No. 1877, the Commissioners have the following observations to offer.

In the first section, provision is made for submitting the Company's bye laws to the Governor of the Province for his approval, but no power is reserved (as in the Imperial Act for the regulation of Railways, 4 Vic. c. 97, sec. 9,) of disallowing the bye laws at any future time after they shall have come into operation, and this power appears to be necessary for the completeness of the control over the Company's bye laws intended to be vested in the Governor, who would otherwise have no power of suspending the operation of a bye law that was found to be objectionable.

By section 5, the Directors are authorized, until the Railway is completed, to pay interest to the shareholders on the amount of the calls paid up by them. In a former Report on a New Brunswick Railway Act containing a similar provision, the Commissioners took occasion to observe that provisions of this kind were at one time frequently inserted in English Railway Acts, but in the session of 1847, a resolution was passed by both Houses of Parliament (which has since been adopted as a standing order) requiring the insertion in every Railway Bill of a clause prohibiting the payment of interest out of Capital, and it might therefore be worthy of consideration, whether the reasons that led to that resolution were equally applicable to the Colonies.

Section 32, after providing for the level crossing of roads by the Railway, authorizes the Company "in case it shall be more conducive to the public safety," to substitute a bridge over or under the Railway for the level crossing.

It appears to the Commissioners that it would be advisable, that a matter of so much importance to the public should not be left entirely to the discretion of the Company, but that power should be reserved to the Governor of the Province, or some other responsible officer, of requiring the Company to make the alteration which the increase of traffic on the roads, arising from that on the Railway may hereafter render necessary, although at present a level crossing may be allowed without danger.

The Commissioners have also to observe that this Act does not contain any scale of maximum charges to be made by the Company for the conveyance of Passengers and Goods on the Railway; and this defect does not appear to be remedied by the power of revising the tolls and the option of purchasing the Railway reserved to the Government by the 40th and 41st sections. The exercise of these powers is made dependent upon the event of the Company's profits exceeding a certain rate per cent. on the capital.

In previous communications addressed to the Colonial Office, the Commissioners have stated, that although such provisions may have been introduced into Colonial Railway Acts for the purpose of thus intimating the possibility of future revision and purchase, yet in their opinion it may be questionable whether they can have any other practical effect.

In the absence of any general legislation on the subject of Railways in this Colony, it is necessary that every New Brunswick Railway Act should contain within itself the whole of the provisions that are considered to be requisite for the due protection of the public interests. In the present Act there are enactments providing for the conveyance of the Mails and Troops, and for laying down an Electrical Telegraph on the line of the Railway ; but of the other matters which in this country have been made the subject of general legislation, with a view to the public safety and convenience, the Commissioners would particularly observe that the Act now under consideration does not contain any provision similar to those of the Imperial Acts relating to cheap Trains, the appointment of Inspectors, and returns of traffic and accidents.

CROWN LANDS.

No. 141.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 5th July, 1849.

SIR,—I have had under my consideration an Act passed by the Legislature of New Brunswick, entitled “ An Act for the adjustment of claims of certain purchasers of Crown Lands,” and although I shall be prepared to advise Her Majesty to assent to it, the Act in its present form appears to me to be open to certain objections to which it is desirable that your attention should be directed.

2. The Act provides that to purchasers of tracts of Land exceeding 500 acres, between the years 1832 and 1837, who, after having paid a portion of the purchase money, have abandoned their Land, the Lieutenant Governor and Council shall be authorized, upon receiving Petitions to that effect, to grant portions of the same Land equal in amount to the instalments actually paid, at the price originally bidden by the purchasers, and in the event of no portion of the Land originally granted being vacant, then the Lieutenant Governor and Council shall be authorized to grant a portion of such Lands as shall be selected by the individual to whom such grant is intended to be made.

3. In the absence of any information with regard to the circumstances which led to the introduction of this Act, or the number of persons for whose relief it is intended, I am unable to form any opinion as to the manner in which it will operate, but it appears to me that in every Act creating, as this does, incheate claims to portions of the Crown Estate, it is desirable that the period of its operation should be limited, and that all claims not preferred within that period should be barred, otherwise such claims are likely to be kept back till, under altered circumstances, it would be as inconvenient to admit as it would be difficult to reject them. There would likewise appear to be some indistinctness with respect to applicants, the whole of whose original grants may have been otherwise disposed of.

4. As the Act now stands, such applicants, when their claims have been admitted, would be at liberty to select other Crown Lands to the extent of their payment “ at the original price bidden for the Lands by them originally purchased.” It might thus happen that the purchasers of ordinary or inferior Land at a low price might be in a position to obtain any valuable Lands in exchange, and consequently at a very inadequate price.

5. I have therefore to instruct you, as the local Legislature could not have contemplated such a result, to direct the attention of the Law Officers of your Government to the subject, in order to ascertain whether the objections to which I have adverted could not be obviated by regulations to be framed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, and made known to the parties whose interests are affected by the provisions of the Act. In the event however of its not being found practicable to frame such regulations, it will be necessary that a further enactment to meet the case should be submitted to the Provincial Legislature.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir E. Head, Bt., &c. &c. &c.

No. 161.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 10th October, 1849.

SIR,—Among the Acts left to their operation by the Order of Her Majesty in Council which is enclosed in my Despatch of this day's date, are two, numbered respectively 1888 and 1903, to facilitate the sale and improvement of Crown Lands, and to authorize the commutation of debts due to the Crown by settlers in certain cases for work on the public roads.

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Although I have thought it right to advise Her Majesty to leave these Acts to their operation, I entertain great doubts whether the arrangements which allows the purchasers of land to commute the payment of their purchase money for labour in road making, will prove the most beneficial to the Province. I fear that under this arrangement there will be found much difficulty in getting the work on the roads economically performed.

It appears to me that it would have been better to have provided that the amount received for the sale of land should have been laid out in making the Roads by Contract, at the cheapest rate at which the work could be done. By this plan the settlers would be equally enabled to earn the means of payment for their land, while the public would have the advantage of more effective labour.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir Edmund Head, Et., &c. &c. &c.

BOUNTIES.

No. 170.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 4th December, 1849.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge your Despatch, No. 38, of 10th April last, enclosing an Address to Her Majesty, presented to you by a Committee of the Assembly, on behalf of the House, the prayer of which is, that Her Majesty will direct the instructions given to Lieutenant Governor Sir William Colebrooke in my Despatch of 2d March, 1848, may be reconsidered so far as regards the proposal of a Bounty on the cultivation of Hemp.

2. You will acquaint the Assembly that I have laid their Address before the Queen, and that Her Majesty was pleased to receive it very graciously ; but you will also inform them, that after having given the fullest consideration to the subject, Her Majesty's servants do not feel themselves able to advise the Queen to comply with the prayer of the Address.

3. Parliament has for many years steadily persevered in a course of policy which has had for its object gradually to relieve the commerce of the Empire from restrictions, and to abandon all attempts to direct Capital and Industry by artificial means into channels which they would not naturally seek. In pursuance of this policy, laws enacting such restrictions, and imposing high Duties upon imports, have been successively repealed, and Bounties, which were formerly granted to some extent in this country, have been discontinued, until the Trade of the Empire may now be said to stand on the footing of being nearly free from such interference.

4. The benefits which are expected to arise from this policy will be greatly increased through its general adoption by the principal nations of the world, which Her Majesty's Government hope to see eventually brought about. But it would materially interfere with the attainment of this happy result if it should be observed by Foreign Countries that the former and narrow policy of endeavouring, by Bounties or restrictions, to divert Capital and Industry to other than their natural channels, was again adopted with Her Majesty's assent in any part of Her Dominions.

5. I cannot, therefore, alter the instructions given to your predecessor, and thus authorize you to assent, in Her Majesty's name, to enactments which would be prejudicial to the interests of the Empire at large.

6. Her Majesty's Government have felt it the more necessary to come to this determination because they are persuaded that measures of the kind thus proposed, injurious as they would be to the Empire for the reasons already assigned, would be particularly so to New Brunswick itself.

Indeed one of the grounds assigned by the Assembly in favour of the policy which they recommend seems to afford strong reasons against it. They state that in a new Colony, where Capital is scarce, and the resources of the country little developed, the granting of Bounties may be not only consistent with good policy, but, in many instances, necessary. But this argument appears to lose sight of the principle, that the scarcer capital may be the more necessary it is that it should be applied to the best advantage. The effect, and indeed the object of Bounties is, to cause Capital to be employed in pursuits which, without the assistance of such Bounties, would not offer sufficient returns to induce individuals to follow them, while it is obvious that no Capital can be devoted in any country to new branches of industry unless it be withdrawn from old ones ; and consequently the effect of the Bounty would

would be to induce individuals to give up some business, naturally remunerative, in order to embark in some other in which they would have a bounty in addition to the natural and legitimate return. And this bounty would, of course, be derived from the taxes levied on the general industry of the Colony.

7. I trust that the Assembly will, on further reflection, perceive how little such a result would tend to the real advantage of the Province.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir Edmund Head, Bt., &c. &c. &c.

MUNICIPAL ORGANIZATION AND FINANCES.

Extract from Despatch, No. 61, dated June 27, 1849, of Sir Edmund Head to Earl Grey.

Reform and economy are to be pursued for their own sakes—but there is nothing in the contrast between the burthen of taxation here, and in the United States, to place the British Colonist in a disadvantageous condition. There are many who will at once ask,—“How then do you account for the comparative prosperity of the State of Maine? Is it not owing to their high Tariff and protecting Duties which would thus appear to be in their favour rather than against them?”

I am conscious that, in discussing this subject, I am speaking with very imperfect knowledge and information on many points; but I have little hesitation in expressing my conviction that the superior prosperity of Maine, so far as it goes, is attributable principally to two causes—

1st. Not to their protecting Duties, but to the practical enjoyment of Free Trade, notwithstanding those Duties protecting them against European competition. They have the open ports and unrestricted coasting Trade of the whole Union at their command; and they thrive in spite of the more favoured climate and soil with which they have to contend. So far as it goes therefore, in my opinion, their condition, and that of the other States vying and struggling with each other, and turning to the best account the advantages respectively afforded by every variety of climate, and every variety of produce, afford a practical argument in favour of free trade rather than in favour of protection.

2nd. The Township organization, and the habit of managing their own local affairs, which have generated and fostered, both in England, and in the New England States, habits of self reliance and self government.

It is in these two points, and in these alone, that the people of the State of Maine enjoy more true freedom than the people of the British Provinces.

They offer unrestricted access to the industry of the rest of the Union, and they have the benefit of an extended market for their own produce. Each man has, moreover, his own faculties and his own capacity for economical management constantly exercised in the controul of the affairs of his own township. They look after their own roads, and their own schools, and exercise those Municipal rights which fit a man for sound and prudent action on a large scale, by developing his political intelligence in matters which he readily understands and appreciates.

The people of this Province, on the other hand, are shrewd and sharp enough, but they have habitually relied upon the Government for the management of their Roads and Schools, and have looked to the Executive Council or the Legislature for help in every emergency. My predecessor, Sir W. Colebrooke, clearly saw these defects, and he urged the adoption of Municipal Institutions throughout the Province as the appropriate remedy. The general feeling however, then was, and I dare say, still is, adverse to any change which would throw the inhabitants more on their own resources. Public opinion may alter, and I think it my duty to state explicitly that, in my opinion, Sir W. Colebrooke's views were founded on a just appreciation of the real difficulties of the case. At any rate, let it not be supposed that these elements of real political liberty have been withheld by the influence of the Crown or its Representatives. In this, as in most other things, the true interests of the Government and of the people completely coincide.

The population of these Colonies are made up of the same materials as those of the Northern States of the American Union, and they are nowise inferior to their neighbours in native energy, shrewdness, and industry, though from a want of self reliance, and other causes to which I have adverted they do not always employ these qualities with equal success.

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No. 148.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 23rd July, 1849.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 61, of the 27th June, forwarding the annual "Blue Book," accompanied by your Report upon the present condition of the Province of New Brunswick.

2. Concurring generally in the views which you entertain, I trust that the Provincial Legislature will see the necessity of seriously considering the state of affairs, and of adopting those measures of reform which appear to me indispensable in order that New Brunswick may attain that prosperity which, from its great natural advantages, it has a right to expect.

3. Of these reforms, I concur with you in thinking that the establishment of a system of Municipal organization is the one most urgently wanted. It is to her ancient institutions of this kind that the political prosperity of England has been, with justice, in a great measure attributed—and the adoption of very similar institutions in her former North American Colonies, now the States of the North American Union, adjoining New Brunswick, has in a fully equal degree promoted their advance—and I earnestly hope that the Province may not long be deprived of the like advantages.

4. With a view to facilitate the establishment of Municipal Bodies, I would suggest that in each Township or County the receipts arising from Land and Timber should be placed at the disposal of those Bodies, subject only to the condition that they should be applied to permanent improvements, such as opening of Roads, the building of Bridges, and the establishment of Schools.

5. I regard also the encouragement which would be given to trade by putting an end to the uncertainty which you describe as existing with respect to the rate of Duties to which goods on their arrival will be subject, as a matter of great importance to the prosperity of the Province. I can conceive nothing better calculated to check the commerce of the Colony than frequent fluctuations in the rate of its Customs Duties. I am apprehensive that the remedy you propose for this evil, by merely altering the period of the year at which Tax Bills are to take effect, would be altogether inadequate, and that to give to Trade the extension of which it is capable, the Duties themselves must be placed on a more permanent footing.

6. You are probably aware that in this Country all the Customs Duties are now imposed by permanent Laws, which Parliament has, of course, the power to alter, but which, in the absence of any reason for their alteration, remain in force without being annually renewed. As the produce of the taxes can only be legally appropriated by Parliament, the constitutional control of that body over the public purse is not thus weakened, while Trade greatly gains by the more permanent character of the Duties imposed—and I most strongly recommend the adoption of a similar system by the Provincial Legislature.

7. The improvement of the Financial condition of the Province is a subject to which the attention of the Legislature is urgently required, and I believe that this object can only be accomplished by the establishment of Municipal Corporations to which I have already adverted, accompanied by efficient measures for relieving the general Revenue from a variety of local charges to which it is now subject, and for providing for these charges by assessments made by the Municipal Bodies when established.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir E. Head, Bt., &c. &c. &c.

Extract of Despatch, No. 79, from Sir Edmund Head to Earl Grey, dated September 17, 1849.

* * * * It is well however to point out that the proposed mode in paragraph 4, of the Despatch of July 23, that namely of appropriating the receipts arising from Land and Timber in the different Counties or Townships to permanent improvements in each District, under the superintendence of Municipal Bodies, would be hardly practicable, since the receipts from these sources in different Counties of the Province are so extremely unequal as far to exceed what would be necessary in one County, whilst another would be left almost without funds. * * * *

The Honorable Mr. Hazen, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from George Bond, praying that the Tide Mills in Carleton may be exempted from the operation of the Act 12 Vic.

A Petition from George Russell, and others, praying an Act to incorporate the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Saint John, in connexion with the Reformed Synod of Ireland:

A Petition from Noah Disbrow, and eighty nine others, praying that the Road from Loch Lomond, by Hammond River, to Harvey, be established as one of the Great Roads of this Province:

A Petition from J. Robb, and others, praying an Act to incorporate the New Brunswick Society for the encouragement of Agriculture:

A Petition from W. J. Bedell, and seventy six others, praying an Act to pass making certain offences Felony:

A Petition from William Till, Junior, praying amendment to the Act of Incorporation of Electric Telegraph Company:

A Petition from W. Olive, and two hundred and sixty five others, praying that a Bill, intituled "An Act in addition to the Acts relating to the Public Debt of the City of Saint John," may not pass into a Law:

A Petition from the President and Directors of the Mechanics' Institute, praying pecuniary aid:

A Petition from Charles Johnston and another, praying that certain property may be received in discharge of their liabilities as Sureties for John Cunningham, late Deputy Surveyor:

A Petition from R. Rankin and Company, and two hundred and fifteen others, praying Legislative Bounties on the Fisheries:

A Petition from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of Saint John, praying that a Bill, intituled "An Act in addition to the Act relating to the Public Debt of Saint John," may not pass into a Law:

A Petition from Patrick Bennett, praying aid for teaching a School:

A Petition from Alfred L. Street, praying remuneration for services in the New Brunswick Railway Company:

A Petition from the Trustees of Temperance Hall, Carleton, praying pecuniary aid:

A Petition from George L. Hatheway, and four hundred others, praying the repeal of the Act of Incorporation of the City of Fredericton: and

A Petition from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of Saint John, praying that an Act may pass to enable them to become Shareholders in the Saint John Water Company.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from Samuel Scovil, J. C. P., and eighty seven others, praying an Act of Incorporation for the Local Grand Lodge and Subordinate Lodges of New Brunswick, acting in connexion with the Loyal Orange Institution of British North America:

A Petition from Peters Yeamans, and ninety six others, with a like prayer:

A Petition from William R. Little, M. D., and fifty five others, with a like prayer:

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- A Petition from H. B. McDonald, and fifty others, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from S. B. Perkins, and ninety others, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from James Wallis, and sixty others, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from John Britain, and fifty one others, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from Francis C. Buchanan, and sixty three others, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from John Hagerty, and one hundred and thirty six others, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from Charles M'Pherson, and three hundred and three others, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from Alexander M'Lean, and eighty nine others, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from Thomas Pickard, Junior, and three hundred others, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from Thomas Weatherall, praying aid for teaching a School :
- A Petition from John M'Alister, and thirty others, praying that Marshal D'Avray may not be appointed Secretary to the Board of Education, and that no Act may pass to assess for the support of Schools :
- A Petition from G. W. Hoben, and ninety four others, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from Samuel White and others, praying an Act to pass to compel Parish Officers to exhibit their Accounts yearly :
- A Petition from William Foshay, Esquire, J. C. P., and one hundred and eighteen others, praying that Coals under granted Lands may be declared by Law to belong to the Grantees :
- A Petition from Alexander M'Donald, and one hundred and fifty others, Inhabitants of Wickham, Queen's County, praying for a Survey of the Jacobus Grant at the public expense : and
- A Petition from William R. Melville, of Woodstock, praying for Return Duty on Printing Materials.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

- A Petition from John Beattie, of Alnwick, praying aid for teaching a School :
- A Petition from Michael Ready, of Newcastle, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from John M'Innes, of Newcastle, with a like prayer :
- A Petition from the Trustees of the Newcastle Grammar School, and others, for aid to the Institution :
- A Petition from Henry W. Baldwin, William Napier, and fifty two others, praying aid to the Mechanics' Institute and Temperance Hall in Bathurst : and
- A Petition from William Loch, of Miramichi, praying Return Duties.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Johnston, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

- A Petition from William H. Street, G. D. Robinson, and others, Sureties for the Saint John Bridge Company, praying relief : and
- A Petition from William Hawkshaw, of Gagetown, praying aid for teaching a School.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

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The Honorable Mr. Shore, by leave, presented a Petition from sundry Inhabitants of Kingsclear, against the annexation of certain Islands to the Parish of Douglas.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from the Trustees of Schools in Saint George, praying aid to a superior School:

A Petition from Barbara Ann Walker, of Saint Andrews, praying aid for teaching a School:

A Petition from Robert Purves, and forty two others, praying aid to remove obstructions in the Bocabec River:

A Petition from Dugald Blair, M. D., praying remuneration for Vaccinating the Poor in Saint Stephen, Saint David and Saint James: and

A Petition from George M'Lauchlan, of Saint Andrews, praying aid in his destitution.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Minchin, by leave, presented a Petition from the City Council of the City of Fredericton, praying an amendment of the City Charter.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Robertson, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from James Macfarlane, of Saint John, praying Return Duties:

A Petition from C. Whitaker, of Saint John, praying a return of Duty:

A Petition from Thomas Allan, J. P., and one hundred and four others, of Saint John, praying an amendment in the Marriage Solemnizing Act in favour of W. T. Wishart:

A Petition from the Saint John Mechanics' Whale Fishing Company, praying authority to wind up the Company's affairs: and

A Petition from Captain John Ormsby, R. A., praying Return Duties.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, by leave, presented a Petition from F. W. Hatheway, of Fredericton, praying Return Duty on Steam Machinery.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 21st February, 1850.

PRESENT:

THE HON.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,*

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,*

Mr.

Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,

Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Davidson.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to authorize the extension of the Gaol Limits in the City and County of Saint John."

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to regulate Dockage, Wharfage and Cranage in the City of Saint John and in the Parish of Portland."

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland to levy an assessment to pay off a part of the County Debt.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for the punishment of persons who shall be guilty of the Trespasses therein mentioned in the City of Saint John."

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to authorize Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of York to levy an assessment to pay off the County Debt and Contingent expenses of the County.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland, for the time being, to receive the Title of, and hold a piece of Land in the Town of Newcastle, for the use of a Grammar School in the said Town.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Botsford, with the following Resolution :—

“ House of Assembly, Wednesday, 20th February, 1850.

“ Resolved, That the Honorable Mr. L. A. Wilmot, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Montgomery, and Mr. Botsford, be a Committee to join the Committee of the Legislative Council on the proposed Joint Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the Navigation Laws.

“ CHAS. P. WETMORE, Clerk.”

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Connell, with a Bill to incorporate the New Brunswick Iron Company; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

The Honorable Mr. Chandler, by direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, lays before the House the following Statement of the Casual Revenue Accounts for the Year 1849 :—

CIVIL LIST OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK FOR THE YEAR 1849.

	1st Quarter to 31st March.	2nd Quarter to 30th June.	3rd Quarter to 30th September.	4th Quarter. to 31st December.	Total for the Year.
Sir Edmund W. Head,	£865 7 8	£865 7 8	£865 7 8	£865 7 8	£3,461 10 8
R. T. Pennetfather, Esquire,	57 13 10	57 13 10	57 13 10	57 13 10	230 15 4
Hon. Ward Chipman,	274 0 9	274 0 9	274 0 9	274 0 9	1,096 3 0
“ James Carter,	187 10 0	187 10 0	187 10 0	187 10 0	750 0 0
“ Robert Parker,	187 10 0	187 10 0	187 10 0	187 10 0	750 0 0
“ George F. Street,	187 10 0	187 10 0	187 10 0	187 10 0	750 0 0
“ Thomas Baillie,	296 3 1	321 3 1	296 3 1	296 3 1	1,209 12 4
“ F. P. Robinson,	86 10 9	86 10 9	86 10 9	86 10 9	346 3 0
“ Thomas C. Lee,	86 10 9	86 10 9	86 10 9	86 10 9	346 3 0
“ L. A. Wilmot,	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0	600 0 0
“ W. B. Kinnear,	57 13 10	57 13 10	57 13 10	57 13 10	230 15 4
“ John R. Partelow,	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0	600 0 0
“ Charles Fisher,	277 15 6	277 15 6	277 15 6	277 15 6	1,111 2 0
Commissioners of Indians,	15 0 0	15 0 0	15 0 0	15 0 0	60 0 0
Anthony Lockwood, Esquire	43 5 4	43 5 4	43 5 4	43 5 4	173 1 4
Moses H. Perley, Esquire,	28 16 11	28 16 11	28 16 11	28 16 11	115 7 8
Matthew Brannen, Esquire,	45 0 0	45 0 0	45 0 0	45 0 0	180 0 0
Robert Fulton, Esquire,	35 0 0	35 0 0	35 0 0	35 0 0	140 0 0
John Gregory, Esquire,	30 0 0	30 0 0	30 0 0	30 0 0	120 0 0
Andrew Inches, Esquire,	25 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0	100 0 0
Robert Fulton, Esquire,	25 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0	100 0 0
For services to the Execu- tive Council,	3,111 8 5	3,136 8 5	3,111 8 5	3,111 8 5	12,470 13 8
Disbursed,	513 11 7	488 11 7	513 11 7	513 11 7	2,029 6 4
Surplus,					
Civil List Warrant,	£ 3,625 0 0	£ 3,625 0 0	£ 3,625 0 0	£ 3,625 0 0	£ 14,500 0 0

Civil List Fund in Account Current with the Receiver General.

Disbursed during the year 1849 :

To Judge Carter, arrears of Salary,	£43	3	0
Attendance and extra Clerkship, Secretary's Office,	102	0	0
Ordinary and extra Clerkship, Audit Office,	203	17	0
Conducting Criminal Prosecutions in Sunbury, William End, Esquire,	23	6	8
Executive Council Messenger,	50	0	0
Advocate General and Registrar, Admiralty Court, arrears on Crown Suits,	148	14	7
Balance in Receiver General's hands,	12,298	7	11
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	£12,869	9	2
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In hand January 1st, 1849,	£4,840	2	10
Received from Treasurer in 1849,	6,000	0	0
Surplus during the year 1849,	2,029	6	4
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	£12,869	9	2
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Balance in favor of the Fund in the hands of the Receiver General, the 31st December, 1849,	£12,298	7	11

Audit Office, February 5, 1850.

F. P. ROBINSON, *Auditor General.*

SCHEDULE OF WARRANTS DRAWN ON THE CASUAL REVENUE DURING THE YEAR 1849.

Date	Name	£1	0	0	£169	18	5	Description
Jan. 25	Andrew S. Phair, Postmaster,							Postage, Public Offices, Stationery and Printing, Contingencies, Furniture, &c. } For the Audit Office. Trunk for Accounts, Fuel, Repairing Grate, Printing and Blanks, S. G. O., &c. } Washing Towels, Dead Range, measuring Chains, } Crown Land Office. Contingencies, Case for Instruments, Cleaning Stove Pipes, &c.
150	John Simpson,	1	2	0				
151	Justin Spahn,	3	6	3				
	F. P. Robinson,	3	10	0				
	Joseph Gaynor,	0	11	6				
	A. J. Lordly,	0	10	0				
	John Corbett,	0	7	6				
	J. Donovan,	71	1	0				
	John Simpson,	0	18	0				
	Mary Ann Sweade,	2	11	9				
	Richard Dunn,	2	3	6				
	Stewart and Neill,	1	0	0				
	Henry Rutter,	0	12	6				
	Enoch Bradley,				88	14	0	
152	John Simpson,	£28	6	3				Printing Blanks, } Secretary's Office. Parohment, &c. } Fuel, } Receiver General's Office. Printing Blanks, }
	Joseph Gaynor,	19	12	3				
	Simon Killeen,	4	16	0				
	John Simpson,	4	5	0				
153	John C. Murchie,	£24	12	6				Expenses of Land Survey. Surveying 100 Lots of Crown Land.
	John Davidson,	50	0	0				
Feb. 3	John Carson,				74	12	6	Purchase Money and Interest, Land sold him and One Quarter's Rent Auditor's Office. [not vacant.]
Mar. 1	Edward W. Miller,				58	18	2	
155	The Hon. Mr. Chandler,				5	0	0	
156	“ Mr. Hill,	£10	10	0				Attending Executive Council, 26th Jan'y, 1849.
	“ Mr. Hanington,	10	10	0				
	“ Mr. Hazen,	5	16	8				
30	“ Mr. Baillie,				37	6	8	do. 2d Febr'y, 1849.
April 9	“ Mr. Hazen,				255	0	0	
159	Andrew S. Phair, Postmaster,				5	16	8	Clerkship, Crown Land Office, first Quarter 1849. Attending Executive Council, 6th January, 1849. Postage, Public Offices.
160	J. & A. McMillan,				120	6	10	
	Joseph Gaynor,	£5	11	3				
	Daniel Sweeney,	2	4	6				Stationery, Contingencies, Fuel, Furniture and Repairs, } For the Crown Land Office.
	Thomas Aitkin,	7	10	0				
		3	3	6				
	Carried forward,.....	£18	9	3	£872	12	6	

Schedule of Warrants drawn on the Casual Revenue during the year 1849.—Continued.

Date	Warrant No.	Drawee	£	s	d	£	s	d	Description	
Apr. 17	160	Brought forward,..... John Smith, L. R. Rainsford, W. H. Robinson & Company, Jonathan Harding, F. P. Robinson, Richard Dunn, Robert Snell, Jonathan Harding, H. Clubb and Company, James Taylor, Com. Pub. Build. Charles Grigor, Jonathan G. Harding, Francis Beverly, Anthony Barker, Francis Beverly, Ditto. Francis G. Winslow, Edward W. Miller, Hon. Mr. Chandler, " Mr. Hill, " Mr. Hanington, " Mr. Rankin, " Mr. Hazen, Richard Dunn, Henry S. Beek, Ditto. Ditto. Ann Brannon, Thomas Baillie, Beverly Robinson, Treasurer, Hon. Mr. Hill, 2 trips, Carried forward,.....	£18	9	3	7	£872	12	6	Measuring Wood, } For the Crown Land Office. Fuel, } Candles, } Furniture, } For the Audit Office. Attendance, Contingencies, } Repairs, } Seizing Dues. } Furniture, } For the Provincial Secretary's Office. Stationery, } Work at Public Buildings by James Ashfield. Candles, } Cabinet Work, } For the Crown Land Office. Binding and Mounting Maps, } Fire Wood, } For the Provincial Secretary's Office. Stationery & Binding, } Stitching and packing Laws and Indexes. } Investigating charges on a Timber Seizure. One Quarter's Rent Auditor's Office. Attending Executive Council, June 9th, 1849. One Year's Rent Receiver General's Office. Stationery do. Do. Auditor's do. Do. Surveyor General's do. Return of Purchase Money on Land. Clerkship, Crown Land Office. Surplus Funds in Receiver General's hands. Attending Executive Council, one trip in April, 1849, residue 9th July, 1849.
			0	3	11					
			5	3	6					
			2	8	6					
			0	13	6					
			3	10	0					
			4	8	0					
			11	17	5					
			3	14	3					
			8	10	4					
May 20	161		£0	10	6	58	18	10		
			2	11	6	59	0	0		
June 26	163		£10	10	0	57	2	6		
			10	10	0	6	0	0		
June 31	164		10	10	0					
			10	10	0					
June 9	165		10	10	0					
			6	16	8					
July 14	166		£15	0	0	47	16	8		
			4	8	10					
July 30	167		22	11	11½					
			37	0	8½					
July 2	168		£21	0	0					
July 2	169					79	1	6		
						3	15	0		
July 3	170					255	0	0		
						500	0	0		
			£21	0	0					
						£1,945	12	3		

Schedule of Warrants drawn on the Casual Revenue during the year 1849.—Continued.

Date	Warrant No.	Drawee	£	s	d	£	s	d	Description
July 9	170	Brought forward,..... Hon. Mr. Hanington, 1 trip, " Mr. Rankin, 1 do. " Mr. Hazen, 1 do.	£21	0	0	£1,945	12	3	Attending Executive Council, one trip in April, 1849, residue 9th July, 1849.
			10	10	0				
July 17	171	Joseph Gaynor, Do. Do. John Simpson, F. P. Robinson,	5	16	8	47	16	8	Stationery, Secretary's Office. Do. Auditor's do. Do. Surveyor General's do. Printing and Advertising. Attendance, Auditor's Office.
			£9	8	0				
Aug. 21	172	A. S. Phair, Postmaster, Alexander M'Laggan, Thomas Boies,	2	2	10				Postage, Public Offices. Return of Purchase Money. Do. Quit Rent. Rent, one Quarter, Auditor's Office.
			0	19	9				
Sept. 3	175	Edward W. Miller, Hon. Mr. Partelow, " Mr. Wilnot, " Mr. Kinnear, " Mr. Fisher, " Mr. Hill, " Mr. Rankin, " Mr. Hanington, " Mr. Chandler, " Mr. Hazen, R. Fulton, Esquire, Clerk, Hon. Mr. Rankin, " Mr. Hazen,	81	18	9	97	9	4	Attending Executive Council, 30th July, 1849, and 13th September, 1849.
			3	0	0	135	9	4	
Sept. 13	176		5	15	11	19	8	11	Attending Executive Council, 2d May, 1849.
						5	15	11	
Sept. 15	177		£5	16	8				Return of Interest on Purchase Money. Crown Land Office, } Stationery. Painting Sign, } Repairing Furniture, } Auditor's Office. Fuel, }
			5	16	8				
Sept. 18	178	Alexr. M'Laggan, Henry Chubb and Company, J. P. A. Phillips, Charles Smiler, Thomas Aikken, Guy C. Joquet,	10	10	0	108	6	8	Attending Executive Council, 2d May, 1849.
			5	16	8	15	15	0	
Sept. 24	181	Robert Snell, Hon. Mr. Baillie, Carried forward,.....	£4	15	0				Seizing Dues, Clerkship, Crown Land Office, third Quarter, 1849.
			9	10	0	9	16	6	
			0	7	6	8	5	0	
			0	12	6	255	0	0	
			0	11	6				
						£2,671	7	3	

Schedule of Warrants drawn on the Casual Revenue during the year 1849.—Continued.

		<i>Brought forward,.....</i>							
Sept. 27	182	Beverly Robinson, Treasurer,	£10	10	0	£2,671	7	3	Surplus Funds in hand.
Oct. 25	183	Hon. Mr. Chandler,	10	10	0	400	0	0	
		“ Mr. Rankin,	5	16	8				Attending Executive Council, 23d and 24th October, 1849.
		“ Mr. Hazen,	10	10	0				
		“ Mr. Hill,	10	10	0				
		“ Mr. Hamington,	10	10	0				
29	184	A. S. Phair, Postmaster,				47	16	8	Postages, Public Offices, third Quarter, 1849. Fuel, } Attendance, } For the Audit Office. Candles, }
	185	A. J. Lordly,	£3	5	0	139	3	3	
		F. P. Robinson,	3	0	0				
		W. H. Robinson,	1	19	0				
		John R. Partelow,				8	4	0	Contingencies, Secretary's Office. Express to Dorchester, via Douglastown. Rent Audit Office, to 30th November, 1849.
Dec. 3	187	A. S. Phair, Postmaster,				64	18	9	
	188	Edward W. Miller,				24	8	9	
20	189	Hon. Mr. Rankin,				6	5	0	
		“ Mr. Hill,	£10	10	0				Attending Executive Council, 19th and 20th December, 1849.
		“ Mr. Hazen,	10	10	0				
		Hon. Mr. Baillie,	5	16	8	26	16	8	
31	190	Beverly Robinson, Treasurer,				255	0	0	Clerkship Crown Land Office, fourth Quarter, 1849. Funds deposited by the Deputy Postmaster General.
Nov. 14						872	10	1	
						£4,516 10 5			

F. P. ROBINSON, Auditor General.

Abstract of the Receipt and Expenditure of the Casual and Territorial Revenues for the Year 1849.

January 1, 1849.

Balance in favor of the Province, £366 0 4

Receipts in 1849 :

Proceeds of Mileage for Licences to cut Timber and Lumber, and Duty on Excesses Unlicenced,	£1,821 15 5	
Proceeds of Land sold,	1,502 10 0	
Contingencies collected at the Crown Land Office,	71 2 1	
Contingencies collected at the Provincial Secretary's Office,	509 11 0	
Judicial Fines,	34 1 0	
Paid in by the Deputy Post Master General, J. Howe, Esquire,	872 10 1	
		<u>4,811 9 7</u>
		<u>£5,177 9 11</u>

Expenditure.

Surveys and Inspections,	£80 12 6	
Clerk Hire, Crown Land Office,	1,020 0 0	
Contingencies, Crown Land Office,	79 18 0	
Rent and Contingencies, Audit Office,	81 12 6	
Contingencies, Secretary's Office,	157 6 1	
Rent and Contingencies, Receiver General's Office,	24 4 10	
Travelling expenses, Executive Councillors,	338 3 4	
Postages.		
Provincial Secretary,	272 6 7	
Surveyor General,	196 7 3	
Auditor General,	87 14 8	
Receiver General,	19 5 4	
Attorney General,	13 12 9	
Land Sales cancelled,	97 17 1	
Return of Quit Rent,	5 15 11	
Repairs, Public Buildings,	59 0 0	
Printing, Advertising, Gazettes,	190 1 0	
Seizing Officers' dues,	20 2 6	
		<u>£2,744 0 4</u>
Paid the Treasurer in 1849,	1,772 10 1	
Balance due the Province,	660 19 6	
		<u>£5,177 9 11</u>

December 31, 1849.

Balance due the Province, £660 19 6

Made up as follows :—

In Receiver General's hands, £684 16 5

From which deduct—

Unpaid Warrants, 23 16 11

£660 19 6

Audit Office, February 5, 1850.

F. P. ROBINSON, Auditor General.

Account of Salaries paid to the Clerks and other Officers on the In-door Establishment of the Crown Land Office during the Year 1849.

Name.	Designation.	to 31st March.	to 30th June.	to 30th Sept.	to 31st Dec.	Total.
Robert Gowan,	Accountant,	£50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	£200 0 0
George P. Wolhaupter,	Assistant Do.	17 10 0	17 10 0	17 10 0	17 10 0	70 0 0
Andrew Inches,	Draftsman,	50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	200 0 0
Timothy O'Connor,	Assistant Do.	37 10 0	37 10 0	37 10 0	37 10 0	150 0 0
Anthony Lockwood, Jr.	Do.	37 10 0	37 10 0	37 10 0	37 10 0	150 0 0
John Grant,	Compiler,	50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	200 0 0
Thomas Sweade,	Messenger,	12 10 0	12 10 0	12 10 0	12 10 0	50 0 0
		£255 0 0	255 0 0	255 0 0	255 0 0	1020 0 0

Audit Office, February 5th, 1850.

F. P. ROBINSON, *Auditor General.*

The Honorable Mr. Hazen, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from William M'Lellan, praying aid for teaching a School :

A Petition from John C. Wood, with a like prayer : and

A Petition from Jacob Ferguson, with a like prayer.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Johnston, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Robert Bayard, M. D., praying for balance due him for services performed for the Government in 1847 : and

A Petition from Robert Jardine, praying an alteration in the Law as regards malicious injury to the property of the Electric Telegraph Company.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Robertson, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Robert Jardine, praying return of Duties :

A Petition from the same, praying a grant of Money to Commissioners of Provincial Penitentiary, for purposes therein stated :

A Petition from Henry Chubb, and thirty six others, praying for a grant of Money to the Road across Little River Marsh :

A Petition from John V. Thurgar, President of the Chamber of Commerce, praying a reduction of Duty on Wine and Spirits : and

A Petition from the Saint John Agricultural Society, praying that an Act may pass to establish sale of Grain and Vegetables by weight.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Inhabitants of Chatham, praying aid to discharge debt on Temperance Hall : and

A Petition from Charles M. Labillois, Surgeon, praying remuneration for services in Tracadie Hospital.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 22d February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to continue an Act, intituled “ An Act for the punishment of persons who shall be guilty of the Trespasses therein mentioned in the City of Saint John :”

A Bill to continue an Act, intituled “ An Act to regulate Dockage, Wharfage and Cranage in the City of Saint John and in the Parish of Portland :” and

A Bill to continue an Act, intituled “ An Act to authorize the extension of the Gaol Limits in the City and County of Saint John.”

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations, presented a further Report.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

The Committee to whom were referred all Bills relating to Corporations have examined “ A Bill to incorporate the New Brunswick Iron Company,” and recommend the same to the adoption of the House without any amendment.

Committee Room, February 21, 1850.

J. S. SAUNDERS, Chairman.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the House be put into Committee of the whole presently, to take the said Bill, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

ORDERED, That the Order to put the House into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill, intituled “ An Act relating to the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road Company,” be rescinded, and that the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

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The Honorable Mr. Hatch presented to the House a Bill, intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees of Greenock Church, in the Parish of Saint Andrews, in the County of Charlotte, in connexion with the Established Church of Scotland, to sell certain Lands, and to vest the proceeds in other Lands."

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Chandler presented to the House a Bill, intituled "An Act relating to the appointment of Commissioners of Sewers in the Counties of Westmorland and Albert."

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Ansley, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the twenty first day of February instant; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Hanington, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:—

A Bill to make perpetual an Act to protect the Grounds and Enclosures around the Province Buildings in Fredericton: and

A Bill to make perpetual an Act to regulate Pawn Brokers within this Province.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. S. Z. Earle, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:—

A Bill to incorporate the King's County Union Agricultural Society: and

A Bill to make perpetual an Act imposing a Duty on Rum and other Liquors distilled within this Province.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the last entered Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the first entered Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Tibbits, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:—

A Bill to alter and amend the Act incorporating the Carleton County Agricultural Society: and

A Bill to continue the several Acts for the repair of the Streets and Highways in part of the Parish of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the last entered Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

ORDERED

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the first entered Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from James Harris, and others, praying for protection in the manufacture of Nails :

A Petition from James Gooldrup, praying aid for teaching a School :

A Petition from Thomas Hutchins, with a like prayer :

A Petition from Moses Sprague, praying compensation for board and attendance on a Special Constable dangerously wounded in the discharge of his duty :

A Petition from the Saint John Mechanics' Whale Fishing Company, praying for an Act to pass to wind up the affairs of the said Company : and

A Petition from Thomas N. Smith, M. D., praying remuneration for services performed at the request of the Magistrates in attending three Special Constables dangerously wounded.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hazen, by leave, presented a Petition from George Christy, praying for a further Grant towards carrying the Mails between Saint John and Saint Andrews.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 23d February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

Mr. Shore,

Mr. Saunders,

Mr. Botsford,

Mr. Chandler,

Mr. Robertson,

Mr. Hatch,

Mr. Solicitor General,

Mr. Johnston,

Mr. Minchin,

Mr. Simonds,

Mr. Harrison,

Mr. Davidson.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to incorporate the New Brunswick Iron Company, was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time:—

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A Bill, intituled "An Act relating to the appointment of Commissioners of Sewers in the Counties of Westmorland and Albert:"

A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees of Greenock Church, in the Parish of Saint Andrews, in the County of Charlotte, in connexion with the Established Church of Scotland, to sell certain Lands, and to vest the proceeds in other Lands:"

A Bill to continue the several Acts for the repair of the Streets and Highways in part of the Parish of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton :

A Bill to make perpetual an Act to regulate Pawn Brokers within this Province :

A Bill to make perpetual an Act imposing a Duty on Rum and other Liquors distilled within the Province : and

A Bill to make perpetual an Act to protect the Grounds and Enclosures around the Province Buildings in Fredericton.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole on Monday next, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to incorporate the Albion Lodge of Free Masons, Number five hundred and seventy, on the Registry of the Grand Lodge of England :

A Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the City of Saint John, in connexion with the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of Ireland : and

A Bill for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Portland and Lancaster Steam Ferry Company.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the last entered Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the two first entered Bills, and that they be read a second time.

The said Bills were severally read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Ansley, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to authorize the Corporation of the City of Saint John to become Shareholders in the additional Stock of the Saint John Water Company : and

A Bill for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Saint John Mechanics' Whale Fishing Company.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time on Monday next.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from R. C. Minette, and one hundred and seventy seven others, praying for Act of Incorporation for the Local Grand Lodge and Subordinate Lodges of New Brunswick, in connexion with the Grand Orange Lodge of Canada :

A Petition from Samuel Strang, J. P., and one hundred and thirty nine others, with a like prayer :

A Petition from William Durant, and eighty six others, with a like prayer :

A Petition from William Peters, and eighty four others, with a like prayer :

A Petition from William Eagles, and ninety four others, with a like prayer :

A Petition from Charles J. Melick, and twenty six others, praying a continuance of Duty on Foreign Leather :

A Petition from Thomas Berwick, praying that no alteration may be made in the Duty on Wooden Wares :

A Petition from William J. Hallett, and six others, Coach Makers, praying protection to that branch of business :

A Petition from Daniel Ansley, and one hundred and thirty two others, praying for a Revenue Cutter to protect the Fisheries at Grand Manan, and for a Bounty on Fish :

A Petition from Henry Gilbert, and nine others, Mill-Owners, praying for protection to the manufacturers of Flour and Bread Stuffs :

A Petition from Nehemiah Marks, and one hundred and seventy one others, praying that no Act may pass to authorize the erection of a Bridge at Saint Stephen :

A Petition from James M'Cormick, praying aid for teaching a School :

A Petition from James M'Bride, with a like prayer : and

A Petition from the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Christ's Church, Saint Stephen, praying that their rights may be protected in the passing of a Bill to erect a Bridge between Saint Stephen and Calais.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Robertson, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from John V. Thurgar, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, and thirty others, praying that no Export Duty may be collected upon Railway and short length Lumber, Hackmatack Sleepers and Knees excepted :

A Petition from Thomas Davidson, praying to be reimbursed money expended by him on the Bellisle River and Marsh : and

A Petition from Messieurs Jardine and Company, praying return of Duty on Live Stock imported.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from the King's County Agricultural Society, praying for an Act of Incorporation :

A Petition from the same, praying an Act to regulate the sale, by weight, of Vegetables : and

A Petition from Samuel Strange, and others, praying aid in building a Temperance Hall in Carleton.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

On motion made and seconded—

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole on Monday next, to take into consideration any Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

ORDERED, That the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the twenty first day of February instant, be referred to the said Committee.

Adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, 25th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Saint John Mechanics' Whale Fishing Company :

A Bill for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Portland and Lancaster Steam Ferry Company : and

A Bill to authorize the Corporation of the City of Saint John to become Shareholders in the additional Stock of the Saint John Water Company.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled " An Act relating to the appointment of Commissioners of Sewers in the Counties of Westmorland and Albert."

The Honorable Mr. Chandler took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled "An Act relating to the appointment of Commissioners of Sewers in the Counties of Westmorland and Albert."

The Honorable Mr. Chandler took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees of Greenock Church, in the Parish of Saint Andrews, in the County of Charlotte, in connexion with the Established Church of Scotland, to sell certain Lands, and to vest the proceeds in other Lands."

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to make perpetual an Act to regulate Pawn Brokers within this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue the several Acts for the repair of the Streets and Highways in part of the Parish of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to make perpetual an Act to protect the Grounds and Enclosures around the Province Buildings in Fredericton.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to make perpetual an Act imposing a Duty on Rum and other Liquors distilled within the Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled "An Act in further amendment of the Law."

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Saint Mary's Church, in the Parish of Richibucto, to sell certain Lands granted to the said Corporation, and vest the proceeds in other Lands.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A insert the words "are represented to be."

At B insert the words "all their right, title and interest to."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Shediak Grindstone Manufacturing and Mining Company, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made an amendment thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

At A expunge the words “and for other manufacturing purposes.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That it be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations, presented a further Report.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

The Committee to whom were referred all Bills relating to Corporations have examined “A Bill relating to the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road;” also, “A Bill to incorporate the Carleton Mechanics’ Ship Building and Navigation Company;” and recommend the same to the adoption of the House without amendment. They have also examined “A Bill to alter and amend the Act incorporating the Carleton County Agricultural Society,” and have made certain amendments, which they recommend to the adoption of the House.

JOHN S. SAUNDERS, *Chairman.*

Committee Room, February 23, 1850.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, severally into consideration.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Hanington, with a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws providing for the maintenance of Light Houses in the Bay of Fundy; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Tibbits, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:—

A Bill to establish the Road leading from the Little Falls, Madawaska, to the Saint Francis, the American Boundary, in the Parish of Madawaska, County of Carleton, one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province:

A Bill to continue the several Acts relating to the Maduxnikik Boom Company:

A Bill to authorize the Trustees of Saint Andrews Church, in the City of Saint John, to re-convey to the Crown a certain tract of Land in the County of Albert, and for other purposes: and

A Bill to incorporate the Arestook Falls Canal and Mill Company.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the three first entered Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

ORDERED

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the last entered Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the twenty first day of February instant, and recommended that the House should concur in the same, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the twenty first day of February instant, were concurred in by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from L. P. W. Desorisay, and others, praying for an Act regulating the extinguishment of Fires :

A Petition from Thomas Robson, praying Legislative assistance and remuneration in the erection of a Fog Bell : and

A Petition from the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Saint Mary's Church, praying for authority to sell Lands, and vest the proceeds in other Lands.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Robertson, by leave, presented a Petition from John V. Thurgar, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, and others, praying that Molasses may be freed from Duty.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 26th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,*

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,*

Mr.

Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.

Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills, as engrossed, were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill, intituled “ An Act relating to the appointment of Commissioners of Sewers in the Counties of Westmorland and Albert :” and

A Bill, intituled “ An Act in further amendment of the Law.”

ORDERED, That the Title of the first entered Bill be—

An Act relating to the appointment of Commissioners of Sewers in the Counties of Westmorland and Albert.

ORDERED, That the Title of the last entered Bill be—

An Act in further amendment of the Law.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do carry the said Bills down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed the same, and desire the concurrence of the Assembly thereto.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to continue the several Acts for the repair of the Streets and Highways in part of the Parish of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton :

A Bill to make perpetual an Act imposing a Duty on Rum and other Liquors distilled within the Province :

A Bill to make perpetual an Act to protect the Grounds and Enclosures around the Province Buildings in Fredericton : and

A Bill to make perpetual an Act to regulate Pawn Brokers within this Province.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Saint Mary’s Church, in the Parish of Richibucto, to sell certain Lands granted to the said Corporation, and vest the proceeds in other Lands, as amended, was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws providing for the maintenance of Light Houses in the Bay of Fundy :

A Bill to establish the Road leading from the Little Falls, Madawaska, to the Saint Francis, the American Boundary, in the Parish of Madawaska, County of Carleton, one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province :

A Bill to continue the several Acts relating to the Maduxnikik Boom Company :
and

A Bill to authorize the Trustees of Saint Andrew's Church, in the City of Saint John, to re-convey to the Crown a certain tract of Land in the County of Albert, and for other purposes.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Saint John Mechanics' Whale Fishing Company.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Portland and Lancaster Steam Ferry Company.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to authorize the Corporation of the City of Saint John to become Shareholders in the additional Stock of the Saint John Water Company.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Carleton Mechanics' Ship Building and Navigation Company.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to alter and amend the Act incorporating the Carleton County Agricultural Society, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations, presented a further Report.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

The Committee to whom were referred all Bills relating to Corporations have examined “A Bill to incorporate the Newcastle and Douglstown Mechanics’ Institution;”—“A Bill to incorporate the King’s County Union Agricultural Society;”—and “A Bill to incorporate the Albion Lodge of Free Masons, Number Five hundred and seventy, on the Registry of the Grand Lodge of England;” and recommend the same to the adoption of the House without amendment.

JOHN S. SAUNDERS, *Chairman.*

Committee Room, February 25, 1850.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, severally into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Johnston, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Solomon Lawson and another, praying aid to Line of Stages between Saint John and Fredericton :

A Petition from Mary Hoyt, praying for Revolutionary War Pension : and

A Petition from Mary Ferris, with a like prayer.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 27th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to authorize the Corporation of the City of Saint John to become Shareholders in the additional Stock of the Saint John Water Company :

A Bill for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Portland and Lancaster Steam Ferry Company : and

A Bill to alter and amend the Act incorporating the Carleton County Agricultural Society.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

On motion—

The Bill to incorporate the Shediac Grindstone Manufacturing and Mining Company, as amended, was read a third time.

Then the following additional amendment was moved :—

In addition to the former amendment at A, insert the words “and for manufacturing Lumber, Cotton and Woollen Goods, Flour and Meal.”

The question was then put, whether the said Bill and the amendments should pass.

Whereupon it was decided in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill for the better extinguishment of Fires which may happen in the City of Saint John.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

The Chairman further reported, that on the question, whether Section XII. should pass, the Committee divided as follows :—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Davidson.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Hill.

Therefore it passed in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section V. expunge the words “ number of Members present,” and insert the words “ whole body.”

At B add the following Section :—

“ XII. And be it enacted that this Act shall continue and be in force until the first day of April which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty two.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws providing for the maintenance of Light Houses in the Bay of Fundy.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor General, by direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, lays before the House—

Certain Returns and Accounts relating to King's College for the year 1849.

[*Vide Appendix No. 1.*]

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was delivered by the Honorable Mr. Hazen, a Member of Her Majesty's Executive Council.

The Honorable the President read the same; and it was again read by the Clerk, as follows :—

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Message to the Legislative Council,

26th February, 1850.

EDMUND HEAD.

The Lieutenant Governor lays before the Council, Copies of two Despatches from Lord Grey, dated respectively twenty ninth January last and eighth instant, in reference to the Act 7 Vic. for the division of the County of Carleton.

E. H.

DIVISION OF COUNTY OF CARLETON.

No. 176.—(Copy)

Downing Street, 29th January, 1850.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 96, of the 24th December, transmitting a Report prepared by Mr. Fisher, and approved by the Committee of Council of New Brunswick, on the subject of the Act passed in 1844, for dividing the County of Carleton into two Counties.

I am fully conscious of the great and reasonable importance which is attached in New Brunswick to the Queen's decision being pronounced upon this Act, and I regret that circumstances, over which I myself had no controul, have occasioned so much delay in taking Her Majesty's pleasure upon it. I have therefore much satisfaction in now informing you, that in consideration of the length of time that the provisions of this Act have been in abeyance, and the inconvenience which the Province has in consequence sustained, and especially relying on the assurance of your Council, that the Territorial limits of Canada will not be compromised by the Act being confirmed, Her Majesty will be advised to give Her assent to it at the next meeting of Council.

I have taken the opportunity of this discussion to urge again on the Governor General the expediency of a speedy attention to the question by the Canadian Government.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir Edmund Head, Bart., &c. &c. &c.

No. 179.

Downing Street, 8th February, 1850.

SIR,—With reference to my Despatch, No. 176, of the 29th ultimo, I have the honor to transmit herewith an Order of Her Majesty in Council, specially confirming the Act, No. 1479, passed by the Legislature of New Brunswick in the month of April 1844, entitled "An Act for the division of the County of Carleton into two Counties, and to provide for the Government and Representation of the new County."

I have, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir Edmund Head, Bart., &c. &c. &c.

On motion made and seconded—

ORDERED, That the Honorable Messieurs Chandler and Simonds have leave of absence.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Connell, with a Bill to facilitate the operations of the New Brunswick Iron Company; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented a Petition from John Baird, and one hundred and twenty three others, praying for an Act of Incorporation of the Loyal Grand Lodge and Subordinate Lodges of New Brunswick, acting in connexion with the Loyal Orange Lodge of Canada.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The

The Honorable Mr. Johnston, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Mary Whelply, praying for Revolutionary War Pension :

A Petition from Sabra Lyon, with a like prayer : and

A Petition from John Coy, with a like prayer, for Pension due Gershom Bonnell.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from John Frizel, and others, praying remuneration for services as Mail Carriers : and

A Petition from William Napier, praying for remuneration as Gauger.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Robertson, by leave, presented a Petition from Michael Tunney, praying aid for teaching a School.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hazen, by leave, presented a Petition from William Kelly, praying aid for extra Stage between Miramichi and Fredericton.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 28th February, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

Mr. Shore,

Mr. Botsford,

Mr. Hatch,

Mr. Johnston,

Mr. Hazen,

Mr. Harrison,

Mr. Saunders,

Mr. Robertson,

Mr. Solicitor General,

Mr. Minchin,

Mr. Hill,

Mr. Davidson.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to facilitate the operations of the New Brunswick Iron Company was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill for the better extinguishment of Fires which may happen in the City of Saint John, as amended, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

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On motion—

The Bill for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Saint John Mechanics' Whale Fishing Company, was read a third time.

Then the following amendment was moved :—

At A insert the two following new Sections, and alter the number of the succeeding Section accordingly :—

“ VI. And be it enacted, That a meeting of the stockholders of the said Company shall be called within six calendar months after the passing of this Act, for the purpose of this Act.

“ VII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the stockholders of the said Company, or a majority thereof, at any meeting of the said Company called for the purposes of this Act or any other purpose, to appoint a Committee of the said stockholders, consisting of such and so many stockholders of the said Company as they may select therefor, to examine into and report upon the Accounts and affairs of the said Company, to whose inquiries the Directors and all other officers of the said Company are required to give the fullest satisfaction and information, and the said Committee shall present and make their Report of the state of the Accounts and affairs of the said Company, at some further meeting thereof to be for that purpose holden, and it shall be lawful for the stockholders or a majority thereof to take such action and make such order thereon as they may deem most advisable and promotive of the interests of the said Company, preparatory to or connected with the winding up and closing the whole affairs and business of the said Company.”

The question was then put, whether the said Bill and the amendment should pass.

Whereupon it was passed in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to alter and amend the Proceedings in the City Court of Saint John.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section XV. add the following words—“ and that the service of the Subpœna shall be effected in the mode, and the person subpœnaed shall be subject to the liability prescribed and provided in those respects in and by the ‘ Act to regulate proceedings before Justices of the Peace in Civil Suits.’ ”

At B in Section XXIV. add the following words—“ and in addition thereto that the jurisdiction and authority of the said Court shall extend to actions against Bail or any
Limit

Limit Bond in a suit in the said Court, notwithstanding the penalty of the said Bond may exceed five pounds.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made an amendment thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

At A at the end of the Bill, add the following Sections :—

“ XIV. And be it enacted; That a certificate of the dividend of interest or profits made from any such Partnership to the special partners shall from time to time and so often as the same may happen, be signed and sworn to by one or more of the general partners, setting forth the amount of the actual cash payments originally subscribed and paid by the special partners, and the dividends or profits and sums of money declared payable under such statement to each of the several partners, which certificate so executed and sworn to shall be recorded by the Register of the County in which the general partners reside or wherein the business is conducted ; provided always, that no dividend or division of profits or interest shall be made or declared for any period less than one year.

“ XV. And be it further enacted, That the amount of profits or dividends made or declared to be made under and by virtue of the certificate mentioned in the foregoing Section shall be taken and deemed to be *prima facie* evidence of the sum or sums of money received, withdrawn or divided by and between the parties for the purposes of the eighth Section of this Act.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That it be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue the several Acts relating to the Maduxnikik Boom Company.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Newcastle and Douglstown Mechanics' Institution, and the report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the King's County Union Agricultural Society, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Wark, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Saint Mary's Church, in the Parish of Richibucto, to sell certain Lands granted to the said Corporation, and vest the proceeds in other Lands : also with

A Bill to provide for more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in a part of the Parish of Richibucto ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Steves, with a Bill to enable the Commissioners of Highways to establish a Public Road two rods wide across the Great Marsh in the Parish of Hopewell, in the County of Albert ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Fisher, with a Bill to incorporate the Fredericton Gas Light Company ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

The

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented a Petition from Gilmour, Rankin and Company, and others, praying that the Duty on British Manufactures may not exceed four per cent. in addition to that of one per cent. already imposed.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hill, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from George M'Kay, and others, praying that a Draw may be made in the Bridge across the Digdeguash :

A Petition from John C. Murchie, praying remuneration for losses sustained in a purchase of Lands from the Crown : and

A Petition from John Burns, with a like prayer.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 1st March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills, as amended, were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to alter and amend the proceedings in the City Court of Saint John : and
A Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in this Province.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to continue the several Acts relating to the Maduxnikik Boom Company : and
A Bill to incorporate the Newcastle and Douglastown Mechanics' Institution.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

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A Bill to enable the Commissioners of Highways to establish a Public Road two rods wide across the Great Marsh in the Parish of Hopewell, in the County of Albert: and

A Bill to provide for more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in a part of the Parish of Richibucto.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole on Monday next, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to incorporate the King's County Union Agricultural Society, was read a third time.

Then the following amendment was moved:—

At A in Section II. expunge the word "seven," and insert the word "thirteen."

The question was then put, whether the said Bill and the amendment should pass.

Whereupon it was decided in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Albion Lodge of Free Masons, Number Five hundred and seventy, on the Registry of the Grand Lodge of England, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to authorize the Trustees of Saint Andrew's Church, in the City of Saint John, to reconvey to the Crown a certain tract of Land in the County of Albert, and for other purposes.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to establish the Road leading from the Little Falls, Madawaska, to the Saint Francis, the American Boundary, in the Parish of Madawaska, in the County of Carleton, one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province.

The

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

The Honorable Mr. Hill presented to the House a Bill, intituled "An Act in advancement of Justice in Civil cases."

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. R. D. Wilmot, with a Bill to authorize the issuing of Treasury Notes; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with a Bill to extend the provisions of an Act, intituled "An Act in addition to an Act, intituled 'An Act to extend the privilege of Solemnizing Marriage to all Ministers or Teachers of the several Religious Congregations in this Province,'" to William Thomas Wishart, Spiritual Teacher to the Congregation of "Modern Calvinists" in the City of Saint John; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. J. Earle, with a Bill to establish the line of Road leading from Fredericton to Richibucto, via Salmon River, as one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion made and seconded—

ORDERED, That the Honorable Mr. Robertson have leave of absence.

The Honorable Mr. Robertson, by leave, presented a Petition from John V. Thurgar, and ninety one others, praying for an Act to continue the Act to increase the Saint John Water Company's Capital.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from Michael Samuel, praying reimbursements for expenses of supporting Emigrants:

A Petition from Patrick Deignan, praying remuneration for services performed in looking after Emigrants:

A Petition from Sydney P. Fayle, praying aid for teaching a School:

A Petition from Kenneth B. Forbes, praying for Return Duty : and
 A Petition from John T. Williston, praying compensation for services to Emigrants
 on Middle Island.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, 4th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
 Mr. Botsford,
 Mr. Solicitor General,
 Mr. Minchin,
 Mr. Hill,
 Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
 Mr. Hatch,
 Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Hazen,
 Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to authorize the issuing of Treasury Notes :

A Bill to establish the line of Road leading from Fredericton to Richibucto, via Salmon River, as one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province :

A Bill to extend the provisions of an Act, intituled " An Act in addition to an Act, intituled ' An Act to extend the privilege of Solemnizing Marriage to all Ministers or Teachers of the several Religious Congregations in this Province,' " to William Thomas Wishart, Spiritual Teacher to the Congregation of Modern Calvinists in the City of Saint John : and

A Bill, intituled " An Act in advancement of Justice in Civil cases."

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to provide for more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in a part of the Parish of Richibucto.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General, with a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the local government of Counties,

Counties, Towns and Parishes within this Province; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Ansley, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Saint John Mechanics' Whale Fishing Company.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Hanington, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill for the better extinguishing of Fires which may happen in the City of Saint John.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. R. D. Wilmot, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendment sent down from this House to the Bill to incorporate the Shediac Grindstone Manufacturing and Mining Company.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Fisher, with a Bill in addition to an Act to repeal the several Acts of Assembly relating to Bankruptcy in this Province; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. R. D. Wilmot, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:—

A Bill to settle certain doubts raised under the last Will and Testament of Mark Varley, late of the City of Saint John, Brick Maker, but now deceased, with reference to certain bequests and devises therein contained—"To the Trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in the City of Saint John, for the establishment and maintenance of a Day School,"—and to make more effectual provision for carrying out the charitable intentions of said Testator with as little delay as possible: and

A Bill to amend an Act to increase the Capital Stock of the Saint John Water Company, and to provide a more efficient supply of Water in the City of Saint John.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Steves, with a Bill to establish the Road leading from the Great Road near Crooked Creek Bridge, in Hopewell, County of Albert, through the Parish of Harvey, to the Parish of Upham, in King's County, thence by the Hammond River to the Great Road leading from Saint John to Saint Martins, as one of the Great Roads of Communication; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from R. L. Coombes, and forty one others, praying for further Legislative provisions against persons committing trespasses on Timber and Lumber:

A Petition from the same, as President of Victoria Agricultural Society, praying for aid : and

A Petition from George Long, and sixty one others, praying for favourable consideration in regard to the Treaty of Washington.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from the inhabitants of Black Brook, praying aid towards purchasing Books and Maps for a School :

A Petition from James M'Rae, praying for Revolutionary War Pension :

A Petition from Johnson and Mackie, and fifty four others, praying that no Law may pass to prevent Fishing in Miramichi Bay :

A Petition from Davis P. Howe, praying aid for teaching a School :

A Petition from Honorable J. Cunard, praying that a Bond given by him to the Crown may be cancelled :

A Petition from Robert Noble, and ninety five others, praying that the Bill read at the Sessions, regulating the Salmon Fishery in the County of Northumberland, may not pass into a Law : and

A Petition from Peter Morrison, and one hundred and forty five others, with a like prayer.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 5th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill in addition to an Act to repeal the several Acts of Assembly relating to Bankruptcy in this Province :

A Bill to settle certain doubts raised under the last Will and Testament of Mark Varley, late of the City of Saint John, Brick Maker, but now deceased, with reference to certain bequests and devises therein contained—"To the Trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in the City of Saint John, for the establishment and maintenance of a Day School,"—and to make more effectual provision for carrying out the charitable intentions of the said Testator with as little delay as possible :

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A Bill to amend an Act to increase the Capital Stock of the Saint John Water Company, and to provide a more efficient supply of Water in the City of Saint John :

A Bill to establish the Road leading from the Great Road near Crooked Creek Bridge, in Hopewell, County of Albert, through the Parish of Harvey, to the Parish of Upham, in King's County, thence by the Hammond River to the Great Road leading from Saint John to Saint Martins, as one of the Great Roads of Communication : and

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the local government of Counties, Towns and Parishes in this Province.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled "An Act in advancement of Justice in Civil cases."

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Taylor, with a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for the summary punishment of persons committing trespasses upon Square Timber and other Lumber;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Smith, with a Bill to establish the Road leading from Isaac Derry's, in the Parish of Harvey, in the County of Albert, to Point Wolf River, as one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down by this House to the following Bills:—

A Bill to authorize limited Partnerships in this Province: and

A Bill to incorporate the King's County Union Agricultural Society.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. R. D. Wilmot, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill to alter and amend the Practice and Proceedings in the City Court of Saint John.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations, presented a further Report.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

The Committee to whom were referred all Bills relating to Corporations have examined "A Bill to incorporate the Fredericton Gas Light Company," and recommend the same to the adoption of the House without amendment.

JOHN S. SAUNDERS, *Chairman.*

Committee Room, March 4, 1850.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, into consideration.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 6th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to establish the Road leading from Isaac Derry's, in the Parish of Harvey, in the County of Albert, to Point Wolf River, as one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province: and

A Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for the summary punishment of persons committing trespasses upon Square Timber and other Lumber."

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to establish the Road leading from the Great Road near Crooked Creek Bridge, in Hopewell, County of Albert, through the Parish of Harvey, to the Parish of Upham, in King's County, thence by the Hammond River to the Great Road leading from Saint John to Saint Martins, as one of the Great Roads of Communication.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill in addition to an Act to repeal the several Acts of Assembly relating to Bankruptcy in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Fredericton Gas Light Company, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Hayward, with a Bill to incorporate the Agricultural Society of Sunbury; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to provide for more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in a part of the Parish of Richibucto.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section II. expunge the word "assessed."

At B expunge the word "assessed."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to extend the provisions of an Act, intituled "An Act in addition to an Act, intituled 'An Act to extend the privilege of Solemnizing Marriage to all Ministers or Teachers of the several Religious Congregations in this Province,'" to William Thomas Wishart, Spiritual Teacher to the Congregation of Modern Calvinists in the City of Saint John.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into further consideration of the said Bill, had made further progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to enable the Commissioners of Highways to establish a Public Road two rods wide across the Great Marsh in the Parish of Hopewell, in the County of Albert.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

The Honorable Mr. Hazen, by leave, presented a Petition from George P. Peters, M. D., praying for compensation for services as Commissioner and Medical Superintendent of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Thomson, with a Bill to establish the Road leading from Lower Trout Brook Bridge, on the Great Road between Saint Andrews and Fredericton, to the Town of Magaguadavic, as one of the Great Roads of Communication; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Shore, by leave, presented a Petition from Patrick Clinch, and one hundred others, praying that the Road from the new Fredericton Road to the Town of Magaguadavic, may be established as a Great Road.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 7th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to provide for more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in a part of the Parish of Richibucto, as amended, was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to incorporate the Fredericton Gas Light Company :

A Bill in addition to an Act to repeal the several Acts of Assembly relating to Bankruptcy in this Province : and

A Bill to establish the Road leading from the Great Road near Crooked Creek Bridge, in Hopewell, County of Albert, through the Parish of Harvey, to the Parish of Upham, in King's County, thence by the Hammond River to the Great Road leading from Saint John to Saint Martins, as one of the Great Roads of Communication.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to establish the Road leading from Lower Trout Brook Bridge, on the Great Road between Saint Andrews and Fredericton, to the Town of Magaguadavic, as one of the Great Roads of Communication, was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to establish the Road leading from Isaac Derry's, in the Parish of Harvey, in the County of Albert, to Point Wolf River, as one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for the summary punishment of persons committing trespasses upon Square Timber and other Lumber."

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable the Attorney General, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Buoys and Beacons :

A Bill to regulate Vessels arriving from Europe with Passengers :

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to absconding, concealed and absent Debtors : and

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws establishing the value of Coins and a legal tender within this Province.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Brown, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to establish the Road from Dead Water Brook to Saint Stephen, in the County of Charlotte, as one of the Great Roads in this Province :

A Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace of the County of Charlotte to levy an assessment to pay the County Debt and Contingent expenses of the said County :

A Bill relating to the Naturalization of Aliens in this Province : and

A Bill to incorporate the Pirate Brook River Driving Company.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the three first entered Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the last entered Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to extend the provisions of an Act, intituled "An Act in addition to an Act intituled 'An Act to extend the privilege of solemnizing Marriage to all Ministers or Teachers of the several Religious Congregations in this Province,' "

Province,'” to William Thomas Wishart, Spiritual Teacher to the Congregation of Modern Calvinists in the City of Saint John.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made an amendment thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

At the end of the Bill add the following Sections :—

“ II. And be it enacted, That upon good cause shewn to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, the privilege hereby conferred may at any time be withdrawn, and from and after notification thereof in the Royal Gazette such privilege shall cease and be at an end.

“ III. And be it enacted, That every Marriage to be solemnized under this Act shall be subject to all the provisions, and every person or persons concerned therein shall be subject to all the pains and penalties prescribed in and by the second, third and fourth Sections of an Act made and passed in the fourth year of the Reign of King William the Fourth, intituled ‘ An Act to extend the privilege of solemnizing Marriage to all Ministers or Teachers of the several Religious Congregations in this Province,’ in the same manner and to the same extent in every respect as if such Marriage had taken place by a Minister regularly licenced to celebrate and solemnize Marriages under the authority of the Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief of this Province, as therein mentioned.

“ IV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall not come into operation until Her Majesty’s Royal approbation be thereunto first had and declared.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That it be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time tomorrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to establish the Road leading from the Little Falls, Madawaska, to the Saint Francis, the American Boundary, in the Parish of Madawaska, County of Carleton, one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and recommended that the further consideration thereof should be postponed till the next Session of the General Assembly.

ORDERED, That the Report be received ; and it was thereupon

RESOLVED, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed till the next Session of the General Assembly.

On

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to establish the line of Road leading from Fredericton to Richibucto, via Salmon River, as one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Shore, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from Nathan Smart, praying for compensation for repairing Chamcook Bridge:

A Petition from Robert Watson, praying for Revolutionary War Pension of the late Elizabeth George: and

A Petition from George M'Kay, J. P., and one hundred and eighty others, praying that a Draw be made in the Bridge over the Digdeguash.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 8th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Ritchie, with a Bill relating to the Police Office established in the City of Saint John, and to provide for the relief of Debtors confined in the Gaol of the said City for small sums, and making provision for the levying and collecting of assessments in the said City, and other purposes; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 9th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

On motion—

The following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to regulate Vessels arriving from Europe with Passengers :

A Bill to consolidate the Laws relating to Buoys and Beacons :

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to absconding, concealed and absent Debtors :

A Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace of the County of Charlotte to levy an assessment to pay the County Debt and Contingent expenses of the said County :

A Bill to establish the Road from Dead Water Brook to Saint Stephen, in the County of Charlotte, as one of the Great Roads in this Province :

A Bill relating to the Naturalization of Aliens in this Province : and

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws establishing the value of Coins and a legal tender within this Province.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole on Monday next, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland for the time being, to receive the Title of and hold a piece of Land in the Town of Newcastle, for the use of a Grammar School in the said Town.

The Honorable Mr. Johnston took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time on Monday next.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Agricultural Society of Sunbury, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Botsford, that the Assembly had agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act relating to the appointment of Commissioners of Sewers in the Counties of Westmorland and Albert," with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said amendments were then read a first and second times.

ORDERED, That the said amendments be taken into consideration on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Carman, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:—

A Bill to continue and amend an Act for the relief of Old Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and their Widows:

A Bill to continue an Act to make provision for Seamen shipped on board of Vessels belonging to this Province:

A Bill to continue an Act to regulate the Survey and Exportation of Lumber: and

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for Reporting and Publishing the Decisions of the Supreme Court.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. Hazen, by direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, lays before the House—

Return and Statement of the Affairs of the Globe Assurance Company: also

The following Minute of Council, in reference to a Letter from His Excellency the Governor General on the subject of Resolutions of the Delegates from the Executive Governments of the Provinces at Halifax on the third and fourth September, 1849:

IN COUNCIL, 5TH MARCH, 1850.

PRESENT:

His Excellency The Lieutenant Governor,
The Honorable Messieurs Hazen, Rankin, Wilmot, Partelow, Fisher, and Hanington.

Read a Letter addressed to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, from the Governor General of Canada, dated February 21st, 1850, enclosing an extract from a Report of a Committee of Council to the following effect—approved by the Governor General in Council, viz:—

"The Committee of the Executive Council have had under consideration, on Your Excellency's reference, a Report from the Honorable L. H. LaFontaine, and the Honorable W. H. Merritt, of certain Resolutions adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the Executive Governments of the Provinces of Canada, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island, held in Halifax on the 3rd and 4th days of September, 1849, at which the Members of the Executive Council of Nova Scotia were present.

"The 4th Resolution adopted at the said Conference contains a recommendation to the respective Colonial Governments of British North America to propose to their Legislatures the removal of all Duties on their respective natural products, which are enumerated in a previous Resolution.

"The

“ The Committee of the Executive Council are respectfully of opinion that it is highly expedient that reciprocal Free Trade, in the articles enumerated, should be established between the several North American Colonies, and are therefore prepared to recommend to the Canadian Parliament to pass an Act to carry out the recommendation above referred to ; but they are anxious to ascertain the views of the Legislatures of the other Provinces now in Session, and therefore humbly recommend Your Excellency to communicate with the several Lieutenant Governors on the subject, and to obtain from them copies of any Bill which may be introduced for giving effect to the recommendation of the Delegates who met at Halifax.

Certified. (Signed) J. JOSEPH, C. E. C.”

Whereupon—

Resolved, That His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, and the Executive Council, fully concur in the views expressed in the Minute in question, and that His Excellency be requested to forward a copy of the Bill now before the House of Assembly to the Governor General of Canada, the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, and the Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward Island.

Extract from the Minutes.

R. FULTON.

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“ 3. *Resolved*, That the following be the Articles to be so imported, viz :—

“ Grain and Bread Stuffs of all kinds, Vegetables, Fruits, Seeds, Hay and Straw, Animals, Salted and Fresh Meats, Butter, Cheese, Lard, Tallow, Hides, Horns, Wood, Undressed Skins and Furs of all kinds.

“ Ores of all kinds, Iron in Pigs and Blooms, Copper, Lead in Pigs, Grindstones and Stones of all kinds, Earth, Coals, Lime, Ochres, Gypsum ground and unground, Rock Salt, Wood, Timber and Lumber of all kinds, Firewood, Ashes, Fish, Fish Oil, viz., Train Oil, Spermaceti Oil, Head Matter and Blubber, Fins and Skins, the produce of Creatures living in the Sea.

“ 4. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the respective Colonial Governments of British North America to propose to the Legislatures the removal of all Duties on their respective natural products as above enumerated.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented a Petition from Donald M'Kay, J. P., and thirty five others, praying that no sum may be granted to the Newcastle and Douglastown Mechanics' Institute for Books, &c., and that no Act may pass to incorporate the same.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, 11th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland for the time being, to receive the Title of and hold a piece of Land in the Town of Newcastle, for the use of a Grammar School in the said Town : and

A Bill to incorporate the Agricultural Society of Sunbury.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

It was moved, that the Bill to extend the provisions of an Act, intituled " An Act in addition to an Act, intituled 'An Act to extend the privilege of solemnizing Marriage to all Ministers or Teachers of the several Religious Congregations in this Province,' " to William Thomas Wishart, Spiritual Teacher to the Congregation of Modern Calvinists in the City of Saint John, be read a third time on this day three months.

Upon the question being put, whether the said Bill be postponed for three months, the House divided as follows :—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Davidson.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Harrison.

It passed therefore in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a third time this day three months.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to continue an Act to make provision for Seamen shipped on board of Vessels belonging to this Province :

A Bill to continue and amend an Act for the relief of old Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and their Widows :

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for Reporting and Publishing the Decisions of the Supreme Court : and

A Bill to continue an Act to regulate the Survey and Exportation of Lumber.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion made and seconded—

RESOLVED, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct to be laid before the Legislative

Legislative Council, Copies of the written reasons of the Master of the Collegiate School, given to the School Committee in regard to the dismissal of George Gregory from the said School; and also his written reasons laid before the College Council on the twenty seventh October last; and all other papers connected with the hearing of this case, and produced before that body, and read by either party, as well as the proceedings had thereon by the said Council; and an account of all tuition fees and entrance moneys received by the Masters of the said School for the year 1849.

ORDERED, That the Honorable Messieurs Simonds and Harrison be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and present the same.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations, presented a further Report.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

The Committee to whom were referred all Bills relating to Corporations have examined "A Bill to incorporate the Pirate Brook River Driving Company," and recommend the same to the adoption of the House without amendment. They have also examined "A Bill to incorporate the Arestook Falls Canal and Mill Company," but cannot recommend this Bill to the favourable consideration of the House, inasmuch as it authorizes an interference with private rights without securing any comparative public advantage.

JOHN S. SAUNDERS, *Chairman.*

Committee Room, March 9, 1850.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill relating to the Police Office established in the City of Saint John, and to provide for the relief of Debtors confined in the Gaol of the said City for small sums, and making provision for the levying and collecting of assessments in the said City, and other purposes.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made an amendment thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

From A in Section X. expunge the remainder of the Section.

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That it be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill relating to the Naturalization of Aliens in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace of the County of Charlotte to levy an assessment to pay the County Debt and Contingent expenses of the said County.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Church of Scotland in the Town of Saint Andrews to sell certain Lands, and to vest the proceeds in other Lands."

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to amend an Act to increase the Capital Stock of the Saint John Water Company, and to provide a more efficient supply of Water in the City of Saint John.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate the laws relating to Buoys and Beacons.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Carleton Mechanics' Ship Building and Navigation Company, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and recommended that the further consideration thereof be postponed for three months.

ORDERED, That the Report be received ; and it was thereupon

RESOLVED, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to authorize the issuing of Treasury Notes.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and recommended that the further consideration thereof be postponed for three months.

ORDERED, That the Report be received ; and it was thereupon

RESOLVED, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws establishing the value of Coins and a legal tender within the Province.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Thomson, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the payment of the Ordinary Services of the Province : and

A Bill to continue an Act relating to the Parish Church of Saint Andrews.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Botsford, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to prevent desertion from Her Majesty's Forces : and

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Landlord and Tenant, and regulating proceedings in Replevin. The

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with a Bill relating to the Trade between the British North American Possessions; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable the Solicitor General presented to the House a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the New Brunswick Electric Telegraph Company."

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House went into consideration of the amendments sent up from the Assembly to the Bill, intituled "An Act relating to the appointment of Commissioners of Sewers in the Counties of Westmorland and Albert."

The said amendments were then read as follows:—

At A in Section I. add—"Provided that in case the proprietors of any Parish or Division should fail to elect Commissioners of Sewers on the day named by the Court as aforesaid, then the said Court may, on the application of any proprietor, appoint another day for the election in such Parish or Division, in manner as before provided."

At B in Section II. add—"Provided also, that one Commissioner so chosen shall be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to superintend work actually in progress, and employ labourers and workmen for such reasonable wages as may be agreed on for that purpose."

At C in Section IV. add—"Provided that no proprietor shall be entitled to vote for or upon any Bog or Marsh not yielding the annual value of two shillings and six pence per acre, except such Bog or Marsh has at the time of such election been assessed to the amount of two shillings and six pence per acre; and in case the number of such votes claimed by any voters should be disputed at the time he offers to vote by any other proprietor, then, before such votes are received and entered, the person claiming the right to vote shall take the following oath:—

'You do swear that you are the proprietor of acres of Marsh [*or Bog, as the case may be,*] situate in District Number , in the Parish of , [*or Division Letter , in the Parish of , or acres in District Number , and acres in District Number , as the case may be,* where the person claims the right to vote for more than one District,] and that you are entitled to vote therefor at this election of Commissioners of Sewers, and that you have not before voted at this election of Commissioners of Sewers.'

At D in same Section, expunge the word "oath," and insert the word "oaths."

Upon the question of concurrence being put thereon, they were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House thereof.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Wark, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill to provide for more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in a part of the Parish of Richibucto.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Thomas Hodgson, and eighty others, praying for an Act incorporating the Grand and Local Lodges in New Brunswick, in connexion with the Grand Orange Lodge of Canada :

A Petition from Francis Toma, Governor of the Indians, and others, praying that they may be restored to their rights : and

A Petition from John Gregory, praying Legislative interference in the matter of the expulsion of his Son from the Collegiate School.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hazen, by leave, presented a Petition from Henry Gilbert, J. P., and one thousand two hundred and thirty six others, praying that protection may be extended to the great interests of the Province.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hill, by leave, presented a Petition from William Owens, praying aid for teaching a School.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 12th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill relating to the Naturalization of Aliens in this Province :

A Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace of the County of Charlotte to levy an assessment to pay the County Debt and Contingent expenses of the said County :

A Bill to amend an Act to increase the Capital Stock of the Saint John Water Company, and to provide a more efficient supply of Water in the City of Saint John : and

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Buoys and Beacons.

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ORDERED

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill, intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Church of Scotland in the Town of Saint Andrews, to sell certain Lands, and to vest the proceeds in other Lands," as engrossed, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Title be—

An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Church of Scotland in the Town of Saint Andrews to sell certain Lands, and to vest the proceeds in other Lands.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do carry the said Bill down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, and desire the concurrence of the Assembly thereto.

On motion—

The following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland to levy an assessment to pay off a part of the County Debts : and

A Bill to authorize Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of York to levy an assessment to pay off the County Debt and Contingent expenses of the County.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the New Brunswick Electric Telegraph Company :"

A Bill to prevent desertion from Her Majesty's Forces :

A Bill to continue an Act relating to the Parish Church of Saint Andrews :

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Landlord and Tenant, and regulating proceedings in Replevin :

A Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the payment of the Ordinary Services of the Province : and

A Bill relating to the Trade between the British North American Possessions.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the administration of Justice in Equity."

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to regulate Vessels arriving from Europe with Passengers.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

Upon the question being put, whether the Report be received, the House divided as follows:—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Davidson.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Robertson.

And it passed in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 13th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison.*

PRAYERS.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to regulate Vessels arriving from Europe with Passengers, was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, without any amendment.

On motion—

The Bill relating to the Police Office established in the City of Saint John, and to provide for the relief of Debtors confined in the Gaol of the said City for small sums, and making provision for the levying and collecting of assessments in the said City, and other purposes, as amended, was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

On motion—

The Bill for the regulation of the South Bay Canal, was read a third time.

Then the following additional amendment was moved :—

At C in Section I. insert the words “and of Mosquito Cove opposite thereto.”

The question was then put, whether the said Bill and amendments should pass.

Whereupon it was decided in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to continue the Act, intituled “An Act imposing Duties for raising a Revenue,” was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the local government of Counties, Towns and Parishes within this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable the Attorney General, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to sick and disabled Seamen belonging to this Province, not being Paupers :

A Bill to remove doubts relating to Marriages in certain cases :

A Bill for the better prevention of Trespasses on Crown Lands and private property :
and

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Great Roads of Communication through this Province.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Carman, with a Bill to provide for the greater safety of Passengers on board of Steam Boats ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Address of this House on the subject of the dismissal of George Gregory from the Collegiate School, reported that they had attended to that duty, and His Excellency was pleased to say that he could not do more than forward a copy of the Address of the Legislative Council to the College Council, because he believed that, neither as head of the Executive Government nor as Visitor of the College, has he any authority to require or enforce the Return desired ; at the same time he would recommend the College Council to furnish the information in question.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch, by leave, presented a Petition from sundry stockholders of the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road Company, praying for certain alterations in Act of Incorporation.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Arthur Ritchie and Company, praying return of Duty :

A Petition from the same, with a like prayer : and

A Petition from William M'Kenzie, praying aid for teaching a School.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 14th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill for the better prevention of Trespasses on Crown Lands and private property:

A Bill to provide for the greater safety of Passengers on board of Steam Boats :

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Great Roads of Communication through this Province :

A Bill to remove doubts relating to Marriages in certain cases : and

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to sick and disabled Seamen belonging to this Province, not being Paupers.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to authorize the Trustees of Saint Andrews Church in the City of Saint John, to convey to the Crown a certain tract of Land in the County of Albert, and for other purposes.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue the Act, intituled "An Act imposing Duties for raising a Revenue."

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

The Chairman further reported, that upon the question, whether he should report the Bill as agreed to, the Committee divided as follows :—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Davidson.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hatch.

It thus passed in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the local government of Counties, Towns and Parishes.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

The Chairman further reported, that on the question being put, to insert in Section II. Article 13, the words "exceeding £50 per annum," after the words "within this Province," the Committee divided as follows:—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Shore,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Davidson.

And so it passed in the negative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section I. insert—"Provided also, that all Gaol Limits fixed or established under and by virtue of any of the Acts hereby repealed, or under and by virtue of any Acts which may expire during the present year, be and remain so established until such Gaol Limits are further defined and established by the General Sessions, under and by the authority of this Act."

At B in Schedule, Section I. Article 1, add—"1 or more Field Drivers."

At C in Article 2, insert the words "on property."

At D insert the words "and who shall have paid their rates for the previous year."

At E in Article 15, add the words "or hold any other office by virtue of which they are required by law to account to the General Sessions for the receipt, expenditure or payment of public moneys."

At F in Section III. Article 1, expunge the words "fifteen per cent." and insert the words "per centage as may be allowed."

At G in Article 4, insert the words "the Sheriff and."

At H in Section IV. Article 7, add the words "if the Sessions shall deem it necessary."

At I in Section X. Article 1, No. 5, insert the words "carriages for hire."

At K in No. 8, insert the words "and keeping in repair."

At L add the words "provided that no gate or fence be erected across any highway not heretofore authorized by law."

At

At M in No. 9, add the words "and for determining what lakes, swamps, creeks, rivers and fences shall be deemed lawful enclosures of the same; and the Commissioners of Sewers appointed or elected under any Act passed or to be passed, of any such marshes, low lands and islands, are hereby authorized and empowered to carry into effect such rules, and to assess the proprietors thereof for the necessary expenses that may be thereby incurred."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Carman, with a Bill to prevent the spread of a Disorder now existing in certain parts of the Counties of Gloucester and Northumberland; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Fisher, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:—

A Bill to consolidate all the Laws now in force for the division of the Province into Counties, Towns and Parishes: and

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws to provide for the administration of Justice in the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with a Bill to establish a Board of Health in the City and County of Saint John; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 15th March, 1850.

PRESENT:

THE HON.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to continue the Act, intituled “An Act imposing Duties for raising a Revenue :” and

A Bill to authorize the Trustees of Saint Andrews Church in the City of Saint John, to re-convey to the Crown a certain tract of Land in the County of Albert, and for other purposes.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the local government of Counties, Towns and Parishes in this Province, as amended, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to prevent the spread of a Disorder now existing in certain parts of the Counties of Gloucester and Northumberland :

A Bill to consolidate all the Laws now in force for the division of the Province into Counties, Towns and Parishes :

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws to provide for the administration of Justice in the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace : and

A Bill to establish a Board of Health in the City and County of Saint John.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill relating to the Trade between the British North American Possessions.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled “An Act relating to the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road.”

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill for the better prevention of Trespasses on Crown Lands and private property.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to provide for the greater safety of Passengers on board of Steam Boats.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Albion Lodge of Free Masons, Number Five hundred and seventy, on the Registry of the Grand Lodge of England, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and recommended that the further consideration thereof be postponed for three months.

The Chairman further reported, that on the question, whether the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months, the Committee divided—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Shore,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Davidson.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison.

And it passed in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received ; and it was thereupon

RESOLVED, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to remove doubts relating to Marriages in certain cases.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to establish the Road leading from Lower Trout Brook Bridge, on the Great Road between Saint Andrews and Fredericton, to the Town of Magaguadavic, as one of the Great Roads of Communication.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and recommended that the further consideration thereof be postponed for three months.

ORDERED, That the Report be received ; and it was thereupon

RESOLVED, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to establish the Road from Dead Water Brook to Saint Stephen, in the County of Charlotte, as one of the Great Roads in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled " An Act to amend the Act relating to the New Brunswick Electric Telegraph Company."

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue an Act to provide for Reporting and Publishing the Decisions of the Supreme Court.

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The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue and amend an Act for the relief of old Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and their Widows.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue an Act to regulate the Survey and Exportation of Lumber.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to absconding, concealed and absent Debtors.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. R. D. Wilmot, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the following Bills :

A Bill relating to the Police Office established in the City of Saint John, and to provide for the relief of Debtors confined in the Gaol of the said City for small sums, and making provision for the levying and collecting of assessments in the said City, and other purposes : and

A Bill for the regulation of the South Bay Canal.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with a Bill to amend the Act providing for the collection and protection of the Revenue of this Province ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Carman, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to continue the several Acts now in force relating to Tavern Keepers and Retailers : and

A Bill to continue an Act to prevent injuries on Lands in the vicinity of the River Saint John, by persons conveying Timber, Logs and Lumber down the same.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Fisher, with a Bill to consolidate and amend the several Acts to incorporate the City of Fredericton ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

On motion made and seconded—

Leave of absence was granted to the Honorable Messieurs Robertson, Hazen, and Harrison.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 16th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill relating to the Trade between the British North American Possessions :

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for Reporting and Publishing the Decisions of the Supreme Court :

A Bill to continue an Act to regulate the Survey and Exportation of Lumber :

A Bill to continue and amend an Act for the relief of old Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and their Widows : and

A Bill for the better prevention of Trespasses on Crown Lands and private property.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills, as engrossed, were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill, intituled “An Act relating to the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road :”
and

A Bill, intituled “An Act to amend the Act relating to the New Brunswick Electric Telegraph Company.”

ORDERED, That the Title of the first entered Bill be—

An Act relating to the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road.

ORDERED, That the Title of the last entered Bill be—

An Act to amend the Act relating to the New Brunswick Electric Telegraph Company.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do carry the said Bills down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed these Bills, and desire the concurrence of the Assembly thereto.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to continue an Act to prevent injuries on Lands in the vicinity of the River Saint John by persons conveying Timber, Logs and Lumber down the same :

A Bill to amend the Act providing for the collection and protection of the Revenue of this Province :

A Bill to continue the several Acts now in force relating to Tavern Keepers and Retailers : and

A Bill to consolidate and amend the several Acts to incorporate the City of Fredericton.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole on Monday next, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to establish a Board of Health in the City and County of Saint John.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time on Monday next.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Landlord and Tenant, and regulating proceedings in Replevin.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to prevent the spread of a Disorder now existing in certain parts of the Counties of Gloucester and Northumberland.

The Honorable Mr. Johnston took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time on Monday next.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to remove doubts relating to Marriages in certain cases.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made an amendment thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

At A in Section I. insert the words “ actually solemnized and.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That it be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate all the Laws now in force for the division of the Province into Counties, Towns and Parishes.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Hayward, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the fifteenth day of March instant ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That they be referred to the Committee of the whole House upon Resolutions of Appropriation.

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The Honorable Mr. Solicitor General, by leave, presented a Petition from the Executors of Mark Varley, praying consideration to their suggestions in respect to Mark Varley's Will.

Adjourned until Monday next at 11 o'clock.

MONDAY, 18th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to consolidate all the Laws now in force for the division of the Province into Counties, Towns and Parishes :

A Bill to prevent the spread of a Disorder now existing in certain parts of the Counties of Gloucester and Northumberland :

A Bill to establish a Board of Health in the City and County of Saint John : and

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Landlord and Tenant, and regulating proceedings in Replevin.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to remove doubts relating to Marriages in certain cases, as amended, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

On motion—

The Bill, intituled "An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the administration of Justice in Equity," as engrossed, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do carry the said Bill down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, and desire the concurrence of the Assembly thereto.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to amend the Act providing for the collection and protection of the Revenue of this Province.

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The Honorable Mr. Johnston took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section V. insert the words “ or who shall proceed up the River without taking such Officer on board.”

At B in Section IX. insert the words “ of Assembly made and passed in the eleventh year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled ‘ An Act to provide for the collection and protection of the Revenue of this Province.’ ”

At C insert the word “ Act.”

At D insert the words “ and convicted.”

At E in Section X. insert the word “ aforesaid.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to absconding, concealed and absent Debtors.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

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

At A in Section VI. insert the words “ or who may reside out of.”

At B in same Section, insert the words “ or so residing out of.”

At C in same Section, insert the words “ or remained out of.”

At D in same Section, insert the words “ or been.”

At E add the following new Section, and alter the numbers of the remaining Sections accordingly :—

“ XVIII. And be it enacted, That if such absconding or concealed debtor shall return within the time limited by this Act and discharge his debts or otherwise compound with or satisfy his creditors as aforesaid, such creditors being, for the purposes of this section, deemed to be such persons only as shall file their respective claims with the Attorney of the Creditors instituting the proceedings, then and in such case the Judge who issued the said Warrant, or any other Judge of the same Court, on satisfactory proof thereof by affidavit or otherwise, shall grant a supersedeas to such Warrant.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to amend an Act, intituled “An Act to provide for the summary punishment of persons committing trespasses upon Square Timber and other Lumber.”

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A at the end of Section II. add the following words :—“ Provided always, that no person shall be deemed or taken to be in possession of any Timber, Logs or other Lumber only from the fact of such Timber, Logs and other Lumber being found upon Lands in his possession, and carried upon such Land by force or action of the water.”

At B after Section II. add the following new Section, and alter the numbers of the remaining Sections accordingly :—

“ III. And whereas it frequently happens that on the removal of Timber, Logs, Spars and other Lumber carried by the water upon the Intervale Lands adjoining the River Saint John, considerable damage is done to the said Lands by the persons managing the same, who are either unknown or unable to pay such damage ; Be it enacted, that whenever such damage shall be sustained, the owner or agent of such Timber, Logs, Spars and other Lumber, shall be liable for all such damage to the owner or occupier of such Intervale Land, and may be prosecuted for the same in the form of an action of Trespass, or on the case, at the election of the party grieved, in any Court of Law in this Province ; and when the damage claimed may not exceed the sum of five pounds, before any two Justices of the Peace in any County in this Province.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Arestook Falls Canal and Mill Company, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and recommended that the further consideration thereof be postponed until the next Session of the Legislature.

ORDERED, That the Report be received ; and it was thereupon

RESOLVED, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed until the next Session of the Legislature.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Pirate Brook River Navigation Company, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue an Act to prevent injuries on Lands in the vicinity of the River Saint John by persons conveying Timber, Logs or Lumber down the same.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue the several Acts now in force relating to Tavern Keepers and Retailers.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

The House adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House resumed.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor came to the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through the Honorable the President, to let the Assembly know,—“It is His Excellency’s pleasure that they attend him immediately in this House.”

The House attended accordingly.

His Excellency then gave His assent to the following Bills, intituled—

An Act to continue the Act, intituled “An Act imposing Duties for raising a Revenue :
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An Act relating to the Trade between the British North American Possessions :

An Act to regulate Vessels arriving from Europe with Passengers :

An Act relating to the Police Office established in the City of Saint John, and to provide for the relief of Debtors confined in the Gaol of the said City for small sums, and making provision for the levying and collecting of assessments in the said City, and other purposes : and

An Act to incorporate the New Brunswick Iron Company.

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

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Baillie, with a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Juries ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Carman, that the Assembly had agreed to the Bill sent down from this House, intituled " An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Church of Scotland in the Town of Saint Andrews to sell certain Lands and vest the proceeds in other Lands : " also with

A Bill to continue an Act to authorize the granting of Mill Reserves in certain cases ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Johnston, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from William and Joseph Scammell, praying return of Duty : and
A Petition from David and Thomas Vaughan, with a like prayer.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

On motion made and seconded—

Leave of absence was granted to the Honorable Mr. Johnston.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 19th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,*

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

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Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to incorporate the Pirate Brook River Driving Company :

A Bill to continue the several Acts now in force relating to Tavern Keepers and Retailers : and

A Bill to continue an Act to prevent injuries on Lands in the vicinity of the River Saint John by persons conveying Timber, Logs or Lumber down the same.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills, as amended, were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to absconding, concealed and absent Debtors :

A Bill to amend the Act providing for the collection and protection of the Revenue of this Province : and

A Bill to amend an Act, intituled “ An Act to provide for the summary punishment of persons committing trespasses upon Square Timber and other Lumber.”

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to amend the Laws relating to Juries : and

A Bill to continue an Act to authorize the granting of Mill Reserves in certain cases.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to provide for the greater safety of Passengers on board of Steam Boats.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section IV. expunge the words “ or ridge rope.”

At B expunge the word “ one,” and insert the word “ each.”

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At C in Section VI. expunge the words "mast head," and insert the words "at the top of a staff to be erected for that purpose near the stem."

At D expunge the words "and not lower than the top of the funnel."

At E insert the words "the said light to be not less than twelve feet above the deck and at least three feet below the top of the funnel."

At F expunge the word "under," and insert the word "above."

At G insert the words "if such Vessel shall have a bowsprit, and if not then over the top of the stem."

At H in Section VII. expunge the words "all and."

At I add a new Section, as follows :—

" X. And be it enacted, That an Act made and passed in the tenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled ' An Act to continue and amend the several Acts to provide for the greater safety of Passengers on board Steam Boats,' be and the same is hereby repealed."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to prevent desertion from Her Majesty's Forces.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws to provide for the administration of Justice in the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue an Act relating to the Parish Church of Saint Andrews.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable the Attorney General, with the following Resolution :—

“ House of Assembly, 18th March, 1850.

“ Ordered, That a conference be desired with the Legislative Council upon the subject matter of one of the amendments made by them to the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the local government of Counties, Towns and Parishes in this Province; and further

“ Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. L. A. Wilmot do go to the Council and desire the said conference.

“ CHAS. P. WETMORE, Clerk.”

RESOLVED, That the Legislative Council do agree to the said proposed conference; and that the Honorable Messieurs Botsford and Simonds be a Committee on the part of this House to meet such Committee as may be appointed to manage the conference on the part of the Assembly.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down and communicate the said Resolution to the Assembly.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill, intituled “ An Act in advancement of Justice in Civil cases.”

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to sick and disabled Seamen belonging to this Province, not being paupers.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to establish the Road from Dead Water Brook to Saint Stephen, in the County of Charlotte, as one of the Great Roads in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into further consideration of the said Bill, had made further progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the payment of the Ordinary Services of the Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable the Solicitor General presented to the House a Bill, intituled "An Act to improve the administration of Justice on the Crown and Exchequer side of the Supreme Court."

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Ansley, with a Bill to continue several Acts providing for the more efficient inspection of Flour and Meal; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable the Solicitor General, by leave, presented a Petition from the City Council of the City of Fredericton, praying alterations to be made in the City Charter.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 20th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to sick and disabled Seamen belonging to this Province, not being paupers :

A Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the payment of the Ordinary Services of the Province :

A Bill to continue an Act relating to the Parish Church of Saint Andrews :

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A Bill to prevent desertion from Her Majesty's Forces: and
 A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws to provide for the administration of Justice in the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to provide for the greater safety of Passengers on board of Steam Boats, as amended, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill, intituled "An Act in advancement of Justice in Civil cases," as engrossed, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do carry the said Bill down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, and desire the concurrence of the Assembly thereto.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time:—

A Bill to continue several Acts providing for the more efficient inspection of Flour and Meal: and

A Bill, intituled "An Act to improve the administration of Justice on the Crown and Exchequer side of the Supreme Court."

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the several Acts to incorporate the City of Fredericton.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Great Roads of Communication through this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue an Act to authorize the granting of Mill Reserves in certain cases.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Robertson, from the Select Committee appointed to join the Committee of the Assembly to prepare an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the Navigation Laws, reported that they had attended to that duty, and he presented the Address to the House.

The said Address was then read by the Clerk.

ORDERED, That the consideration of the same be postponed until to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Wilmot, with the following Resolution :—

“ House of Assembly, 19th March, 1850.

“ Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. L. A. Wilmot, Mr. Brown, Mr. End, and Mr. McLeod, be a Committee of this House to manage the conference on the subject of the amendments to the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the local government of Counties, Towns and Parishes in this Province ; and further

“ Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. L. A. Wilmot inform the Council of the appointment.

“ CHAS. P. WETMORE, Clerk.”

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Carman, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill relating to Highways : and

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for the more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in the Town Plat of Saint Andrews.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, by leave, presented a Petition from the inhabitants of Fredericton, praying that the qualifications for voting at elections of Councillors be reduced to £7 10s.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Alexander Davidson, and thirty eight others, praying that a Bill read at the General Sessions of Northumberland, relative to the Salmon Fishery, may pass into a Law :

A Petition from David Crocker, and eighty one others, with a like prayer :

A Petition from John Murdoch, and forty nine others, with a like prayer :

A Petition from Alexander M'Donald, and thirty nine others, with a like prayer :
 A Petition from Alexander M'Laggan, and one hundred and eleven others, with a like prayer : and
 A Petition from James Stewart, and fifty six others, with a like prayer.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 21st March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
 Mr. Botsford,
 Mr. Hatch,
 Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Minchin,
 Mr. Hill,
 Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
 Mr. Robertson,
 Mr. Solicitor General,
 Mr. Peters,
 Mr. Simonds,
 Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to continue an Act to authorize the granting of Mill Reserves in certain cases, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill relating to Highways : and

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for the more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in the Town Plat of Saint Andrews.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue several Acts providing for the more efficient inspection of Flour and Meal.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled "An Act to improve the administration of Justice on the Crown and Exchequer side of the Supreme Court." The

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to enable the Commissioners of Highways to establish a Public Road two rods wide across the Great Marsh in the Parish of Hopewell, in the County of Albert.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made an amendment thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

At A in Section I. insert the following words :—“but subject in all other respects to the conditions and provisions required by the Law now in force providing for the laying out and establishing Public Highways.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That it be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion made and seconded—

RESOLVED, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House—

An Account of all Head Money, Fines and Penalties collected and paid into the Provincial Revenue from Masters of Vessels arriving from the United Kingdom with Passengers and Emigrants, under the provisions of Acts 2 W. 4, c. 36, and 11 V. c. 10, up to 31st December, 1849 :

An Account of the various amounts expended in the respective Counties in this Province for the support of sick, indigent and distressed Emigrants, during the same period : also

Copies of the Accounts in detail transmitted to Her Majesty's Government, of the expenditures last mentioned, and refunded to this Province in the years 1848 and 1849, from the Imperial Treasury.

ORDERED, That the Honorable Messieurs Robertson and Hatch be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws establishing the value of Coins and a legal tender within this Province.

The

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made an amendment thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

The Chairman further reported, that upon the question, whether the said amendment should pass, the Committee divided—

CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Davidson.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,

Whereupon it passed in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

At A in Section II. insert the words “and four pence.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That it be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time tomorrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House went into consideration of the Joint Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Navigation Laws, as reported from the Select Committee of this House.

The said Address was then read as follows, and agreed to by the House :—

“ To the Queen’s Most Excellent Majesty.

“ The Humble and Dutiful Address of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick.

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,

“ The Legislative Council and Assembly of Your Majesty’s Province of New Brunswick beg leave to approach Your Majesty with renewed assurances of our attachment to Your Majesty’s Person and Government.

“ The occasion of this Address is one of vital importance to the interests of Your Majesty’s devoted Subjects in these Colonies.

“ The recent modification of the British Navigation Laws having admitted Foreign built Ships to British Registry, we would earnestly and respectfully press upon Your Majesty’s consideration the absolute necessity of obtaining in return from the United States

States such a relaxation of their Navigation Laws as will admit British Colonial built Ships to Registry in that Country, on their becoming the property of citizens thereof.

“Such a reciprocity as this would greatly encourage the exertions of Your Majesty’s Subjects in these Colonies, by opening up to them a wide field for industrial competition in Naval Architecture, and thereby conduce to the profitable extension of a most valuable branch of domestic manufacture.

“Believing as we do that the United States will readily avail themselves of all the advantages thus conceded by the Imperial Parliament, without admitting British Ships to reciprocal privileges, we are desirous of having the Trade between this Province and the other British Possessions of Canada, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland, placed on a footing of a Coasting Trade, if by such arrangement no Foreign Vessel will be allowed to carry Freight or Passengers from one part to another of such Possessions; and as we are induced to believe from the provisions of the Fifth Section of the Twenty ninth Chapter of the Acts passed at the last Session of the Imperial Parliament, that if the Legislature of any two or more Possessions which, for the purposes of that Act, Your Majesty in Council shall declare to be neighbouring Possessions, shall present Addresses to Your Majesty, praying that the Trade between them may be placed on the footing of a Coasting Trade, or of otherwise regulating the same so far as relates to the Vessels in which it is to be carried on, Your Majesty may, by Order in Council, so authorize the conveyance of such Goods or Passengers, or so regulate the Trade between them on such terms and under such conditions in either case as to Your Majesty may seem good.

“We therefore most humbly and respectfully pray Your Majesty to order and allow, that the Trade between this Province and Canada, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland, may be placed on the footing of a Coasting Trade, so that the conveyance of Goods and Passengers from place to place therein may be confined wholly to British Vessels until such time as the Government of the United States shall permit the Vessels of the said Possessions to a free participation in the Coasting Trade of that Country.”

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House thereof.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the following Bills:—

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to absconding, concealed and absent Debtors: and

A Bill to amend an Act, intituled “An Act for the summary punishment of persons committing trespasses upon Square Timber and other Lumber.”

And that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill to amend the Act providing for the collection and protection of the Revenue of this Province; and passed a further amendment thereto, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said further amendment was then read a first time.

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED,

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said further amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented a Petition from the Committee of the Canada, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Railway Company, praying for an Act of Incorporation, &c.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hatch, by leave, presented a Petition from the inhabitants of Northesk, praying protection for Salmon Fishery.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor General, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from James B. Toldervy, praying further allowance for Report upon Leprosy: and

A Petition from the same, praying compensation for Vaccinating.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 22^d March, 1850.

PRESENT:

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to continue several Acts providing for the more efficient inspection of Flour and Meal, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to enable the Commissioners of Highways to establish a Public Road two rods wide across the Great Marsh in the Parish of Hopewell, in the County of Albert, as amended, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws establishing the value of Coins and a legal tender within this Province, as amended, was read a third time.

Then

Then the following additional amendment was moved :—

At B at the end of the Bill, add a new Section, as follows :—

“ V. And be it enacted, That this Act shall not come into operation until Her Majesty’s Royal approbation be thereunto first had and declared.”

The question was then put, whether the said Bill and amendments should pass.

Whereupon it was decided in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford reported, that the managers for the Legislative Council had met the managers for the Assembly at the conference on the subject of the amendments to the “ Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the local government of Counties, Towns and Parishes in this Province,” who delivered to their Honors the Bill, with the amendments, and also a paper containing the following statement :—

“ The Assembly agree to the amendments made by the Council, as far as Aa in amendment M, Article 9.

“ The Assembly disagree to the remaining part of said amendment, from Aa.

“ The Assembly propose an additional amendment, as follows :—

“ At Bb in Section X. by inserting a new Article, as follows :—

“ ART. 4.

“ The Commissioners of Sewers appointed or elected under any Act passed or to be passed, of any Marshes, Low Lands, or Islands, are hereby authorized and empowered to carry into effect such rules and regulations as may be made in relation to such Marshes, Low Lands, or Islands, and to assess the proprietors thereof for the necessary expenses that may be thereby incurred.

“ And at Hh in the Summary of the Contents, insert—Article 4, Commissioners of Sewers authorized to assess.

“ To which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.”

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

On motion—

RESOLVED, That this House doth not insist on that part of the amendment to the said Bill sent down from this House to which the Assembly disagree, and that this House doth concur in the further amendment proposed by the Assembly.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do communicate this Resolution to the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill relating to Highways.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to amend the Laws relating to Juries.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue an Act to provide for the more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in the Town Plat of Saint Andrews.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to establish the Road from Dead Water Brook to Saint Stephen, in the County of Charlotte, as one of the Great Roads in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue an Act to make provision for Seamen shipped on board of Vessels belonging to this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Great Roads of Communication through this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section II. insert as follows:—“The Road from Fredericton to Richibucto, by the following line or route, that is to say: commencing at Barker’s Landing, opposite Fredericton, at the Mouth of the Nashwaak Stream, in the Parish of Saint Mary’s, in the County of York; thence running by the line of the Petitcodiac Road to Newcastle, in Queen’s County; thence by the line of the Hardwood Ridge Road, to the Gaspereaux River, crossing said River above the Lower Mills, and following the Beckwith line to M’Donald’s, on the Richibucto River, and thence following the Harley line to the Town of Richibucto.”

At B insert as follows:—“The line of Road leading from Isaac Derry’s, in the Parish of Harvey, in the County of Albert, to the Post Office, thence to Point Wolf River.”

At C insert as follows:—“The line of Road leading from the Dead Water Brook Bridge, on the Great Road from Fredericton to Saint Andrews, and thence to Saint Stephen, by the way of Smith’s and Moore’s Mill and Upton’s Farm, to the Public Landing.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Carman, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the following Bills:—

A Bill to remove doubts relating to Marriages in certain cases: and

A Bill to provide for the greater safety of Passengers on board of Steam Boats.

The Honorable Mr. Robertson, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with an Address on the subject of the Emigrant Fund, reported that they had attended to that duty, and His Excellency was pleased to say that the Accounts required should be furnished as soon as practicable.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford, by leave, presented a Petition from James P. A. Phillips, praying compensation for publishing Debates of the Legislative Council in 1848.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented a Petition from John DeCantillon, and thirty eight others, praying that a Bill read at the Sessions in Northumberland, relative to the Salmon Fishery, may become a Law.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Taylor, with the following Resolution:—

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“ House of Assembly, 21st March, 1850.

“ Resolved, That this House do agree to the Joint Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty upon the subject of the Navigation Laws, as proposed by the Joint Committee of the Honorable Legislative Council and House of Assembly.

“ CHAS. P. WETMORE, Clerk.”

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 23d March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to continue an Act to make provision for Seamen shipped on board of Vessels belonging to this Province, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Great Roads of Communication through this Province, as amended, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

On motion made and seconded—

ORDERED, That the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill relating to Highways be rescinded, and that the House be put into Committee of the whole presently, to take the same into further consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

The Chairman further reported, that upon the question, whether the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months, the Committee divided—

CONTENT

CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Harrison.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.

Thereupon it passed in the negative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time on Monday next.

On motion—

The third reading of the following Bills were severally postponed until this day three months :—

A Bill to establish the Road leading from Isaac Derry's, in the Parish of Harvey, in the County of Albert, to Point Wolf River, as one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province :

A Bill to establish the Road from Dead Water Brook to Saint Stephen, in the County of Charlotte, as one of the Great Roads in this Province : and

A Bill to establish the line of Road leading from Fredericton to Richibucto, via Salmon River, as one of the Great Roads of Communication in this Province.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Tibbits, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to continue and amend an Act, intituled " An Act relating to the collection of Duty on Timber and other Lumber : and

A Bill to provide for the holding a Circuit Court in the County of Victoria.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Hayward, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the twenty third day of March instant ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That they be referred to the Committee of the whole House upon Resolutions of Appropriation.

Adjourned until Monday next at 11 o'clock.

MONDAY, 25th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill relating to Highways was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to continue and amend an Act, intituled “An Act relating to the collection of Duty on Timber and other Lumber :” and

A Bill to provide for the holding a Circuit Court in the County of Victoria.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill, intituled “An Act to improve the administration of Justice on the Crown and Exchequer side of the Supreme Court.”

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to amend the Laws relating to Juries.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to settle certain doubts raised under the last Will and Testament of Mark Varley, late of the City of Saint John, Brick Maker, but now deceased, with reference to certain bequests and devises therein contained—"To the Trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in the City of Saint John, for the establishment and maintenance of a Day School,"—and to make more effectual provision for carrying out the charitable intentions of the said Testator with as little delay as possible.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the several Acts to incorporate the City of Fredericton.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

The Chairman further reported, that on the question, whether the amendment at A in Section I. should pass, the Committee divided—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Shore,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.

It therefore passed in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section I. expunge the remainder of the Bill, and insert as follows:—

"Provided always, that all assessments heretofore made and not yet collected, and all fines and penalties heretofore imposed under the authority of the said Acts, may be proceeded for, recovered, collected and applied in the same manner in all respects as if the said Acts had not been repealed; and that all Bonds, Recognizances, Judgments, and all leases, conveyances and contracts sealed with the Seal of the said Corporation,

Corporation, or otherwise executed by the authority of the City Council, shall remain good, valid and effectual for all purposes expressed therein, notwithstanding the repeal of the said Acts; and that all actions, suits and proceedings which may have been commenced in any Court by or against the said Corporation, under the provisions of the said Acts, may be proceeded with to their termination and satisfaction, in the same manner as if the said Acts had not been repealed.

II. And be it enacted, That the City of Fredericton shall be and is hereby declared to be within the meaning and intent of the provisions of any Act that may pass during the present Session of the Legislature to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the local government of Counties, Towns and Parishes, and any other laws by which the said City of Fredericton was regulated and controlled before the hereinbefore repealed Acts were passed, which shall remain unrepealed by the Act to be passed as aforesaid."

At B in the Title, expunge the remainder of the Title, and the Preamble, and insert as follows—"repeal the several Acts to incorporate the City of Fredericton, and to provide for the future government of the said City."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the fifteenth day of March instant, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

The Chairman further reported, that upon the question, whether the Resolutions of Appropriation for special Grants to Schools be reconsidered, and stand over until the Educational Bill comes up, the Committee divided—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Harrison.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Shore,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.

It therefore passed in the negative.

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The Chairman further reported, that he was directed to ask leave to sit again.
ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the fifteenth day of March instant, were concurred in by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Tibbits, that the Assembly had concurred in the amendment sent down from this House to the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws establishing the value of Coins and a legal tender within the Province: also,

With the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:—

A Bill to provide for the establishment of a Grammar School in the County of Victoria: and

A Bill to establish Polling places in the County of Victoria.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Tibbits, with the following Resolution:—

“ House of Assembly, 25th March, 1850.

“ Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. L. A. Wilmot, and Mr. Ritchie, be a Committee on the part of this House to join such Committee as may be appointed by the Honorable the Legislative Council to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Joint Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Navigation Laws, and request that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same to be laid at the Foot of the Throne.

“ CHAS. P. WETMORE, Clerk.”

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Taylor, with a Bill further to amend and continue the Act to incorporate the Nashwaak Boom Company; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Steves, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the twenty third day of March instant; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That they be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Resolutions of Appropriation.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Carman, with a Bill to continue an Act to provide for the services of the Clerk of the Circuit Courts in this Province; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford, by leave, presented a Petition from James Hogg, praying compensation for publishing the Reports.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Johnston, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Ann S. Flewelling, praying aid for teaching a School :

A Petition from Hannah Holder, with a like prayer :

A Petition from Martin Dunn, with a like prayer :

A Petition from Margaret C. Doyle, with a like prayer : and

A Petition from Isaac Haviland, and eighty others, praying that no Act may pass to assess for the support of Schools.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Peters, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from the Justices of Northumberland, praying pecuniary aid to pay off the County Debt : and

A Petition from Mary Ann Williston, praying aid for teaching a School.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 26th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for the more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in the Town Plat of Saint Andrews :

A Bill to amend the Laws relating to Juries : also,

The Bill to consolidate and amend the several Acts to incorporate the City of Fredericton, as amended.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the two first entered Bills without any amendment, and to the last entered Bill with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

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Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time:—

A Bill further to amend and continue the Act to incorporate the Nashwaak Boom Company :

A Bill to provide for the establishment of a Grammar School in the County of Victoria :

A Bill to establish Polling places in the County of Victoria: and

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for the services of the Clerk of the Circuit Courts in this Province.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue and amend an Act, intituled "An Act relating to the collection of Duty on Timber and other Lumber."

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to provide for the holding a Circuit Court in the County of Victoria.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to facilitate the operations of the New Brunswick Iron Company.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws providing for the maintenance of Light Houses in the Bay of Fundy.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and recommended that the further consideration thereof be postponed for three months.

ORDERED,

ORDERED, That the Report be received; and it was thereupon
RESOLVED, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the twenty second and twenty third days of March instant, and recommended that the House should concur in the same.

The Chairman further reported, that he had been directed to ask leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the said Resolutions of Appropriation were concurred in by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Hayward, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Great Roads of Communication through this Province: also,

With Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the twenty fifth day of March instant; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That they be referred to the Committee of the whole House to take into consideration Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

On motion—

RESOLVED, That the Honorable Mr. Robertson be a Committee on the part of this House to join the Committee of the Assembly to wait upon His Excellency with the Joint Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Navigation Laws, and request that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same, to be laid at the foot of the Throne.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House thereof.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable the Attorney General, with a Bill for the establishment and regulation of Inland Posts within this Province; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from Frances Wood, and sixty three others, No. 4, Daughters of Temperance,

perance, at Woodstock, praying an Act may pass to restrain the Sessions from granting Tavern Licences : and

A Petition from R. and H. Davis, praying aid for building an Oat Mill.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented a Petition from Hugh Morrell, and one hundred and twenty five others, praying aid to Mechanics' Institute, &c.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Shore, by leave, presented a Petition from the inhabitants of Queensbury, praying an Act may pass to authorize the sale of Church Land at Burgoyne's Ferry.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 27th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to continue and amend an Act, intituled "An Act relating to the collection of Duty on Timber and other Lumber," was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill for the establishment and regulation of Inland Posts in this Province, was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to facilitate the operations of the New Brunswick Iron Company.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section I. expunge the words “ William Stevens, Senior, and William Stevens, Junior, their associates, successors, or assigns,” and insert the words “ Benjamin Wolhaupter.”

At B insert the words “ to ‘ The New Brunswick Iron Company,’ their successors and assigns.”

At C in the Preamble, expunge the words “ William Stevens, Senior, and William Stevens, Junior,” and insert the words “ Benjamin Wolhaupter.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue an Act to provide for the services of the Clerk of the Circuit Courts in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to provide for the establishment of a Grammar School in the County of Victoria.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to establish Polling places in the County of Victoria.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to provide for the holding Circuit Courts in the County of Victoria.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill further to amend and continue the Act to incorporate the Nashwaak Boom Company.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to settle certain doubts raised under the last Will and Testament of Mark Varley, late of the City of Saint John, Brick Maker, but now deceased, with reference to certain bequests and devises therein contained—"To the Trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in the City of Saint John, for the establishment and maintenance of a Day School,"—and to make more effectual provision for carrying out the charitable intentions of the said Testator with as little delay as possible.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A at the end of Section I. add the following words—"saving nevertheless the rights of Her Majesty, and of all persons, heirs, executors, devisees, legatees, creditors, bodies corporate, and others, of in and to the said property hereinbefore mentioned to have been devised and bequeathed."

At B in the Title, expunge all the remaining part of the Title.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Street, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the twenty sixth day of March instant; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the said Resolutions, and that the House be put into Committee of the whole to take the same into consideration.

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The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the twenty sixth day of March instant, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

The Chairman further reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the twenty fifth day of March instant, had made progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the twenty sixth day of March instant, were concurred in by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. R. D. Wilmot, with a Bill for the encouragement of the Fisheries in this Province; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from Messieurs Moore and Harding, praying for Return Duty: and
A Petition from Francis Elliot, praying for balance due on Bathurst Bridge.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 28th March, 1850.

PRESENT:

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed:—

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A Bill to establish Polling places in the County of Victoria :

A Bill to provide for the establishment of a Grammar School in the County of Victoria :

A Bill to provide for the holding a Circuit Court in the County of Victoria : and

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for the services of the Clerk of the Circuit Courts in this Province.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills, as amended, were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to settle certain doubts raised under the last Will and Testament of Mark Varley, late of the City of Saint John, Brick Maker, but now deceased, with reference to certain bequests and devises therein contained—"To the Trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in the City of Saint John, for the establishment and maintenance of a Day School,"—and to make more effectual provision for carrying out the charitable intentions of said Testator with as little delay as possible : and

A Bill to facilitate the operations of the New Brunswick Iron Company.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

On motion—

The Bill, intituled "An Act to improve the administration of Justice on the Crown and Exchequer side of the Supreme Court," as engrossed, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Title be—

An Act to improve the administration of Justice on the Crown and Exchequer side of the Supreme Court.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do carry the said Bill down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, and desire the concurrence of the Assembly thereto.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill for the encouragement of the Fisheries of this Province, was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole on Saturday next, to take the said Bill into consideration.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Connell, that the Assembly had agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act relating to the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road," sent down from this House, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

At the close of the Bill, add the following :—

SCHEDULE

" SCHEDULE B.

" Scale of Fees in proceedings before Justices, upon assessing damages under the foregoing Act :—

<i>For the Justices.</i>						
Warrant to summon Jury, ....	....	....	....	....	....	£0 2 6
For every Subpœna, ....	....	....	....	....	....	0 0 6
For every copy thereof, ....	....	....	....	....	....	0 0 3
Every adjournment made at the instance of the party, ....	....	....	....	....	....	0 1 0
Trial and Judgment, ....	....	....	....	....	....	0 2 6
Swearing each Witness and Constable, ....	....	....	....	....	....	0 0 3
Swearing Jury, ....	....	....	....	....	....	0 1 0
Execution or Distress Warrant, ....	....	....	....	....	....	0 1 6

<i>To the Sheriff or Constable.</i>						
Summoning Jury, ....	....	....	....	....	....	0 5 0
Attendance on Jury, ....	....	....	....	....	....	0 1 0
For all other services, same as fixed by law in Civil cases before Justices of the Peace.						

To Witnesses.

Attendance and travel, same as in Civil cases before Justices of the Peace.

To Jurors.

Each Juror sworn on Inquiry, 0 2 0."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the twenty fifth day of March instant, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

The Chairman further reported, that upon the question, whether the Grant to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, the sum of three hundred and fifty pounds, in payment of the balance due Francis Elliot for the erection of a Bridge over Bathurst Basin, in the County of Gloucester, including allowances for certain work in raising the height of the Bridge, in full for all demands for principal, interest, and extra work, for and on account of said Bridge, and as a final settlement of the transaction, the Committee divided—

CONTENT.	NON-CONTENT.
<p>The Hon. The President, Mr. Shore, Mr. Saunders, Mr. Botsford, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Peters, Mr. Simonds, Mr. Davidson.</p>	<p>The Hon. Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Minchin, Mr. Hazen, Mr. Hill, Mr. Harrison.</p>

It was therefore passed in the affirmative.

The Chairman further reported, that he was directed to ask leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the said Resolutions of Appropriation were concurred in by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill for the establishment and regulation of Inland Posts within this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

The Honorable Mr. Hazen, a Member of the Executive Council, by direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, laid before the House the following papers :

(Copy)—Circular.

Downing Street, 31st January, 1850.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit to you the accompanying extract from the London Gazette of Friday the 4th instant, containing the Commission which the Queen has been pleased to issue for the promotion of the Exhibition of the Works of Industry of all Nations, to be holden in London early in next year.

In order to carry this design into effect, and to enable the Possessions of Her Majesty abroad to take part in it, it is necessary to obtain much preliminary information, and for this purpose a Letter, of which I enclose you a copy, has been addressed to my Office by one of the Secretaries of the Commission, expressing the wish of the Commissioners to be put in communication with such persons or bodies in each of the British Colonies from which articles are likely to be sent for Exhibition, as are considered likely to command the confidence of those who may become Exhibitors.

This Letter mentions the description of information which the Commissioners are desirous of procuring, before the questions relative to the admission of Foreign and Colonial productions can be decided upon, and the general character of the arrangements for the proposed Exhibition, in so far as they can be at present explained. I have therefore, on this occasion, only to instruct you to take such steps as you may consider best calculated to accomplish the objects explained in the accompanying enclosure, and to inform you, that all documents which may be sent to me by the Commissioners, for the purpose of being communicated to the Colonies, will be forwarded to you.

If

If any local committees or other bodies, likely to possess the confidence of the public, can be found in your Colony, for the purpose of conducting the necessary correspondence, you can place these documents in their possession; and any communications from such bodies to the Commissioners, you are at liberty to transmit to me along with your Despatches; but if no Committee or other local body can be so formed, you will yourself afford such information and assistance, as may be in your power, to the Commissioners.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir E. Head, Bart.

(Copy)

Board of Trade, 15th January, 1850.

SIR,—I am directed by the Commissioners appointed by Her Majesty for the promotion of the Exhibition of the Works of Industry of all Nations, to be holden in the year 1851, to request that you will move Earl Grey to communicate the fact of the appointment of the Commission to the Colonial Possessions and Dependencies of the Empire, and to acquaint them that the Exhibition will take place in London in the early part of the year 1851, and that the Commissioners are anxious to be put in communication with such persons or bodies in each Colony from which articles are likely to be sent for exhibition, as are considered likely to command the confidence of those who may become Exhibitors. The Commission will have to consider many questions bearing upon the admission of Foreign and Colonial productions, and some of those questions will be of a nature that will make it necessary for them to ascertain the views entertained in different Colonies before deciding upon them. They wish therefore to have a proper channel of communication with each Colony, and they request that Lord Grey will take such steps as he may think proper for supplying this necessity.

The Exhibition will be divided into four Sections—

1. Raw Materials and Produce, illustrative of the natural productions in which human industry is employed.
2. Machinery for Agricultural, Manufacturing, Engineering, and other purposes, and Mechanical Inventions, illustrative of the agents which human ingenuity brings to bear upon the productions of nature.
3. Manufactures, illustrative of the results produced by the operation of human industry upon natural productions.
4. Sculpture, Models, and the Plastic Art generally, illustrative of the taste and skill displayed in such application of human industry.

The Commissioners are engaged in endeavouring to ascertain the amount of space which will be required for the display of these articles, for which purpose they will, of course, require some kind of estimate of the quantities of each which are likely to be sent from different parts of the world. This will be one of the first points upon which they will seek information, when placed in communication with the proper parties. They will also have to make inquiries, in order to guide them in determining what prizes should be given, for what articles, and under what conditions. This too is a matter which will involve the necessity of Colonial and Foreign correspondence. Moreover, they will need a channel for communicating to the Colonies the regulations they may from time to time adopt for the conduct of the Exhibition, such, for instance, as may relate to the exclusion of particular classes of articles, on account of their size, the impossibility of preserving them, or other reasons, or to the time at which articles intended for exhibition must be sent, or to the terms on which they will be admitted.

It is unnecessary to go more into detail upon the present occasion, as Lord Grey will perceive from what has been already said, that so soon as proper channels of correspondence have been opened, the Commissioners will have many matters to which to draw the attention of the Colonies, which are likely to take an interest in the undertaking; and I am only to add in conclusion, that it is of much importance that no time should be lost in making these communications, as there are several points upon which early information is particularly necessary for the Commissioners.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

STAFFORD H. NORTHCOTE.

Herman Merivale, Esquire, &c. &c. &c.

Also, a Statement of the Central Fire Insurance Company, for year ending 5th March, 1850.

ORDERED, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Robertson, from the Committee appointed to join the Committee of the Assembly to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Joint Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the Navigation Laws, reported that he had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would transmit the same by the next Mail to England.

On motion made and seconded—

Leave of absence was granted to the Honorable Messieurs Robertson and Harrison.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor General, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Joseph Leavitt, praying remuneration for losses on Stage Line between Fredericton and Saint Andrews : and

A Petition from Elizabeth M'Kay, praying for Revolutionary War Pension.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until Saturday at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 30th March, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Davidson.*

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,*

PRAYERS.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill further to amend and continue the Act to incorporate the Nashwaak Boom Company.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made further progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill for the encouragement of the Fisheries of this Province.

The

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. J. Earle, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the twenty seventh and twenty eighth days of March instant; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That they be referred to the Committee of the whole House upon Resolutions of Appropriation.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford, by leave, presented a Petition from George Roberts, Head Master of the Collegiate School, praying an investigation into the proceedings of the said School.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from Johana Hurley, praying aid for teaching a School: and

A Petition from the Nashwaak Boom Company, praying for an Act to amend the present Corporation Act.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, 1st April, 1850.

PRESENT:

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill further to amend and continue the Act to incorporate the Nashwaak Boom Company.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made further progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill for the encouragement of the Fisheries of this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and recommended that the further consideration thereof be postponed for three months.

The Chairman further reported, that upon the question, whether the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months, the Committee divided—

CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Davidson.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hazen.

Therefore it passed in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received ; and it was thereupon

RESOLVED, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the twenty seventh and twenty eighth days of March last, and recommended that the House should concur in the same, with the exception of the Grant—

To R. and H. Davis the sum of twenty five pounds, being for the erection of an Oat Mill and Kiln by them at Woodstock, in the County of Carleton, which is now in active operation.

The Chairman further reported, that he was directed to ask leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the twenty seventh and twenty eighth days of March last, were concurred in by the House, with the above exception.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation, with the above exception.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, that the Assembly had agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the New Brunswick Electric Telegraph Company," sent down from this House, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

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

At A. expunge the remainder of the Section, and insert as follows—"any Electric Telegraph Company in this Province, or do any other act whereby the communication by any Telegraph may be interrupted, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof, shall be liable to be imprisoned in the Provincial Penitentiary for any term not exceeding four years, which punishment shall be in addition to any civil or other remedy for such offence."

At B in the Title, expunge the whole, and insert the words "for the punishment of persons guilty of injuring Electric Telegraphs."

ORDERED, That the same be taken into consideration to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Carman, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill to facilitate the operations of the New Brunswick Iron Company: also,

With a Bill to incorporate the Grand Falls Railway Company; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford, by leave, presented a Petition from W. I. Bedell, President of the Nashwaak Boom Company, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act of Incorporation.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented a Petition from William Lalor, praying pecuniary aid.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented a Petition from the Rector of Saint Luke's Church, Woodstock, praying return of Duties.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Hazen, a Member of the Executive Government, by direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, laid before the House—

Copies of the Report of Professor Johnston on the Agricultural Capabilities of the Province:

Copies of the Report of J. Wilkinson, Esquire, on the proposed Line of Railway between the City of Saint John and the Harbour of Shediac: also,

Copies of the Report of M. H. Perley, Esquire, on the Sea and River Fisheries within the Gulf of Saint Lawrence and Bay of Chaleur.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 2d April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,

Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.

PRAYERS.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill for the establishment and regulation of Inland Posts within this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders presented to the House the following Bills:—

A Bill, intituled "An Act to afford relief to the *bona fide* holders of negotiable securities without notice that they were given for a usurious consideration:" and

A Bill, intituled "An Act to remove doubts as to the abbreviations of the names of parties and persons in proceedings at Law or in equity."

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. J. Earle, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the first day of April instant; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That they be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Resolutions of Appropriation.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Taylor, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill to settle certain doubts raised under the last Will and Testament of Mark Varley, late of the City of Saint John, Brick Maker, but now deceased, with reference to certain bequests and devises therein contained—"To the Trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in the City of Saint John, for the establishment and maintenance of a Day School,"—and to make more effectual provision for carrying out the charitable intentions of said Testator with as little delay as possible.

The

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, by leave, presented a Petition from Joseph Baxter, and another, praying for relief from loss sustained in an action brought against them by Isaac Foshay, in reference to a Bridge over the Kennebecasis River.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 3d April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Simonds,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill for the establishment and regulation of Inland Posts within this Province, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill, intituled “ An Act to afford relief to the *bona fide* holder of negotiable securities without notice that they were given for a usurious consideration :” and

A Bill, intituled “ An Act to remove doubts as to the abbreviations of the names of parties and persons in proceedings at Law or in Equity.”

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill further to amend and continue the Act to incorporate the Nashwaak Boom Company.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

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At A in Section I. expunge the words "fifteenth day of April in each year," and insert the words "first day of March in each and every year hereafter."

At B insert the following new Section, and alter the numbers of the following Sections:—

"III. And be it enacted, That in rafting Timber, Logs and other Lumber within said Boom, it shall be the duty of the said Company to raft the Timber, Logs and other Lumber of the several owners separately, according to the marks furnished to them for the purpose."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, on Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the first day of April instant, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Steves, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill to enable the Commissioners of Highways to establish a Public Road two rods wide across the Great Marsh in the Parish of Hopewell, in the County of Albert.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable the Attorney General, with a Bill to regulate the Printing and distribution of the Acts of Assembly; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was delivered by the Honorable Mr. Hazen, a Member of Her Majesty's Executive Council.

The Honorable the President read the same; and it was again read by the Clerk, as follows:—

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Message to the Legislative Council,

1st April, 1850.

EDMUND HEAD.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor having received a Letter from the Registrar of the College Council, with the documents accompanying it, herewith lays such letter and documents before the Legislative Council.

E. H.

(Copy)

(Copy) *Fredericton, 30th March, 1850.*

SIR,—I enclose for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor the papers and documents prayed for in the several Addresses of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, to enable His Excellency to comply with the said Addresses.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

CHARLES FISHER, *Registrar.*

R. T. Pennefather, Esquire, &c. &c. &c.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Message into consideration.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 4th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
 Mr. Botsford,
 Mr. Robertson,
 Mr. Solicitor General,
 Mr. Peters,
 Mr. Hill,
 Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
 Mr. Chandler,
 Mr. Hatch,
 Mr. Minchin,
 Mr. Hazen,
 Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill further to amend and continue the Act to incorporate the Nashwaak Boom Company, as amended, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to regulate the Printing and distribution of the Acts of Assembly, was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled "An Act to afford relief to the *bona fide* holders of negotiable securities without notice that they were given for a usurious consideration."

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

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A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Hayward, with a Bill for the more effective auditing of Public Accounts ; also,

With Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the third day of April instant ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That they be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Resolutions of Appropriation.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, dated first April instant.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the same, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford, by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas Pickard, and three hundred and thirteen others, praying for an Act to pass to repeal the present Charter of the City of Fredericton, and to grant a new one.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 5th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill, intituled "An Act to afford relief to the *bona fide* holders of negotiable securities without notice that they were given for a usurious consideration," as engrossed, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Title be—

An Act to afford relief to the *bona fide* holders of negotiable securities without notice that they were given for a usurious consideration.

ORDERED,

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do carry the said Bill down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, and desire the concurrence of the Assembly thereto.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill for the more effective auditing of Public Accounts, was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable the Attorney General, with a Bill relating to the Trade between this Province and the British West Indies; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, dated first April instant.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Message, and had agreed to the following Resolution:—

RESOLVED, That in the opinion of this Committee, there is nothing in the Constitution of this House, or in the Charter of King's College and the Acts in amendment thereof, to prevent this House expressing by Resolution its opinion on the mode in which the funds given by the Legislature to the Institution are expended, and on which the Institution and the Schools connected therewith are conducted.

The Chairman further reported, that in the Committee the following Resolutions had been severally moved and seconded:—

1st. That in the opinion of this Committee, this House does not recognize the existence of any right in the Master of the Collegiate School to expel any Scholar therefrom without the order of the College Council being first had and obtained, and that the expulsion of George Gregory by such Master on the thirtieth July last was consequently illegal.

Whereupon the Committee divided as follows:—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.

And so it passed in the negative.

2d. That in the opinion of this Committee, the Legislative Council has no superintending or appellate power to review the proceedings or conduct of the College Council, the Visitors of the Collegiate School, or any Teacher of the said School;— that the College Council being the constituted authority to examine into and determine upon the complaint made by Mr. Gregory against the Head Master of the Collegiate School, and it appearing by the documents now before the Committee that there is at present a Petition from Mr. Gregory before the College Council for a further hearing before a full Board; therefore

RESOLVED, As the opinion of this Committee, That the Legislative Council is not called upon to express any opinion or take any action in regard to the subject matter of Mr. Gregory's complaint; and further

RESOLVED, That if there be any defect in the Law relating to the management or control of the Collegiate Grammar School, the proper constitutional course for the Legislative Council to adopt in regard thereto would be to pass proper enactments for the amendment of the Law.

Whereupon the Committee divided as follows:—

CONTENT.	NON-CONTENT.
The Hon. Mr. Shore,	The Hon. The President,
Mr. Botsford,	Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Hatch,	Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Solicitor General,	Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Peters,	Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.	Mr. Harrison.

And so it passed in the negative.

4th. That in the opinion of this Committee, this House does not recognize a right in the Master of the Collegiate School to expel Scholars from that Institution as an incident of his office, nor as a right sustained by legal authority; and further, that cases may arise in which said Master might, in the exercise of a sound discretion, be justified in suspending a Scholar, until the case could be referred to the judgment of the College Council.

Whereupon the Committee divided, and it passed in the negative.

4th. Whereas the complaint of Mr. John Gregory for the dismissal of his Son George Gregory, a child of about ten years of age, from the Collegiate School at Fredericton, upon the thirtieth July last, by Mr. George Roberts, the Master of the said School, being now before this House, and the several papers and correspondence connected therewith having been read; thereupon

RESOLVED, That in the opinion of this House, the dismissal of the said Boy, against whom no charge whatever is made, was an unjustifiable act on the part of the said Master; and further

RESOLVED, That this House cannot recognize the existence of any right in the Master of the said Collegiate School to expel any Scholar therefrom without the order of the College Council being first had and obtained.

Whereupon the Committee divided, and it passed in the negative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

Whereupon

Whereupon it was ~~Resolved~~ **Resolved**, That there is nothing in the Constitution of this House, or in the Charter of King's College and the Acts in amendment thereof, to prevent this House expressing by Resolution its opinion on the mode in which the funds given by the Legislature to the Institution are expended, and on which the Institution and the Schools connected therewith are conducted.

On motion made and seconded—

Leave of absence was granted to the Honorable Mr. Peters.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 6th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Peters,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill relating to the Trade between this Province and the British West Indies, was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole on Monday next, to take the said Bill into consideration.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled "An Act to remove doubts as to abbreviation of the names of parties and persons in proceedings at Law or in Equity."

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the first day of April instant, and recommended that the House should concur in the same, with the exception of the following Grants:—

To

To the President and Directors of the Carleton County Agricultural Society the sum of forty pounds to enable them to meet the amount of Premiums awarded by the said Society, which they were unable to do in consequence of two other Branch Societies in the County having previously drawn for the amount allowed by Law, which was not anticipated, and which caused deficiency in their anticipated Grant :

To Charles Taylor, of Bathurst, the sum of twenty five pounds, being Bounty for the erection of an Oat Mill and Kiln at that place :

To His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, the sum of one hundred pounds towards improving the navigation of the South West Branch of the Miramichi River, between Cain's River and Bartholomew's River, pursuant to the Report of the Select Committee ;

Which were not concurred in.

The Chairman further reported, that on the question whether the Grant

To W. G. Lawton the sum of three hundred and fifty eight pounds fifteen shillings and seven pence for advances made by him to former Overseers of the Poor in the City and County of Saint John for the relief and support of sick and distressed Emigrants, to be paid out of the Emigrant Fund,

be concurred in, the Committee had divided as follows :—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Shore,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Davidson.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill.

And so it passed in the affirmative.

The Chairman further reported, that he was directed to ask leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the first day of April instant, were concurred in by the House, with the exceptions before entered.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation, with the above exceptions.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Connell, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the fifth day of April instant ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That they be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Resolutions of Appropriation.

Adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, 8th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill, intituled "An Act to remove doubts as to the abbreviation of the names of parties and persons in proceedings at Law or in Equity," as engrossed, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Title be—

An Act to remove doubts as to the abbreviation of the names of parties and persons in proceedings at Law or in Equity.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do carry the said Bill down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, and desire the concurrence of the Assembly thereto.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill relating to the Trade between this Province and the British West Indies.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the third day of April instant, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House, with the exception of the following Grant:—

To James Hendry and John Galbraith the sum of twenty five pounds to compensate them for the erection of an Oat Mill and Kiln at River Charlo, in the County of Restigouche, the past year, which Mill and Kiln are now in successful operation;

Which was not concurred in.

The Chairman further reported, that he was directed to ask leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

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Whereupon

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the third day of April instant, were concurred in by the House, with the exception before entered.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation, with the above exception.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Taylor, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill further to amend and continue the Act to incorporate the Nashwaak Boom Company.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill for the more effective auditing of Public Accounts.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to regulate the Printing and distribution of the Acts of Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable the Attorney General, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to limit the operations of an Act, intituled “An Act for the adjustment of claims of certain purchasers of Crown Lands :” and

A Bill to repeal the several Acts to incorporate the City of Fredericton, and to make more effectual provisions in lieu thereof.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the first entered Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the last entered Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 9th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill relating to the Trade between this Province and the British West Indies, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to limit the operations of an Act, intituled "An Act for the adjustment of claims of certain purchasers of Crown Lands," was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

On motion—

ORDERED, That the House be called over on Tuesday next, and that the Clerk do notify its absent Members.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to regulate the Printing and distribution of the Acts of Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the fifth day of April instant, and recommended that the House should concur in the same, and asked leave to sit again.

The Chairman further reported, that on the question whether the Appropriations for the respective Counties of Victoria, Carleton, Charlotte and Restigouche Bye Roads, should severally pass, the Committee divided—

CONTENT.

CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Shore,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Davidson.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Hatch.

And so it passed in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the fifth day of April instant, were concurred in by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented the following Petitions :—

A Petition from Arthur Ritchie and Company, praying Return Duty :

A Petition from William Wilson, praying aid towards the erection of a Carding and Fulling Mill : and

A Petition from John Henderson, praying aid for teaching a School.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Shore, by leave, presented a Petition from Abigail M'Kay, praying for Revolutionary War Pension.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 10th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to regulate the Printing and distribution of the Acts of Assembly, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, without any amendment.

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On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill for the more effective auditing of Public Accounts.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made an amendment thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

At A at the end of the Bill, add a new Section, as follows :—

“ IX. And be it enacted, That this Act shall not come into operation or be in force until Her Majesty’s Royal approbation be first had and declared.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That it be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to limit the operations of an Act, intituled “ An Act for the adjustment of claims of certain purchasers of Crown Lands.”

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. M’Leod, with the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to insolvent confined Debtors : and

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the office of Sheriff.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards these Bills, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bills were severally read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Fisher, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the eighth day of April instant ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That they be referred to the Committee of the whole House upon Resolutions of Appropriation.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford presented to the House a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the sale of certain Lands by the Trustees of Saint Stephen's Church, in the City of Saint John."

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

On motion—

Leave of absence was granted to the Honorable Mr. Robertson.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 11th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill for the more effective auditing of Public Accounts, as amended, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to limit the operations of an Act, intituled "An Act for the adjustment of claims of certain purchasers of Crown Lands," was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the sale of certain Lands by the Trustees of Saint Stephen's Church, in the City of Saint John," was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations, presented a further Report.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

The Committee to whom were referred all Bills relating to Corporations have examined "A Bill to incorporate the Grand Falls Railway Company," and recommend the

the same to the adoption of the House without amendment: They have also examined "A Bill to repeal the several Acts to incorporate the City of Fredericton, and to make more effectual provision in lieu thereof." As the provisions of this Bill are similar to those of a Bill which has already received the deliberate consideration of this Branch of the Legislature, the Committee beg leave to refer it to the whole House, without offering any opinion or making any specific recommendation on the same.

JOHN S. SAUNDERS, *Chairman.*

Committee Room, April 10, 1850.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the office of Sheriff.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

The House adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House resumed.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor came to the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through the Honorable the President, to let the Assembly know,—“It is His Excellency’s pleasure they attend him immediately in this House.”

The House attended accordingly.

His Excellency then gave his assent to the following Bills:—

An Act to establish Polling places in the County of Gloucester:

An Act to continue an Act, intituled “An Act for the punishment of persons who shall be guilty of the trespasses therein mentioned in the City of Saint John:”

An Act to continue an Act, intituled “An Act to authorize the extension of the Gaol Limits in the City and County of Saint John:”

An Act to continue an Act, intituled “An Act to regulate Dockage, Wharfage and Cranage in the City of Saint John and in the Parish of Portland:”

An Act to make perpetual the Act imposing a Duty on Rum and other Liquors distilled within the Province:

An Act to make perpetual an Act to protect the Grounds and Enclosures around the Province Buildings in Fredericton:

An Act to make perpetual an Act to regulate Pawn Brokers within this Province:

An Act to continue the several Acts for the repair of the Streets and Highways in part of the Parish of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton:

An Act to authorize the Corporation of the City of Saint John to become Shareholders in the additional Stock of the Saint John Water Company:

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An Act to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Saint Mary's Church, in the Parish of Richibucto, to sell certain Lands granted to the said Corporation, and vest the proceeds in other Lands :

An Act to incorporate the Newcastle and Douglastown Mechanics' Institution :

An Act to continue the several Acts relating to the Maduxnikik Boom Company :

An Act for the better extinguishing of Fires which may happen in the City of Saint John :

An Act to alter and amend the Practice and Proceedings in the City Court of Saint John :

An Act to incorporate the King's County Union Agricultural Society :

An Act in addition to an Act to repeal the several Acts of Assembly relating to Bankruptcy in this Province :

An Act to establish the Road leading from the Great Road near Crooked Creek Bridge, in Hopewell, through the Parish of Harvey, to the Parish of Upham, in King's County, thence by the Hammond River, to the Great Road leading from Saint John to Saint Martins, as one of the Great Roads of Communication :

An Act to provide for more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in a part of the Parish of Richibucto :

An Act to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland to levy an assessment to pay off a part of the County Debts :

An Act to authorize Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of York to levy an assessment to pay off the County Debt and Contingent Expenses of the County :

An Act to amend an Act to increase the Capital Stock of the Saint John Water Company, and to provide a more efficient supply of Water in the City of Saint John :

An Act to authorize the Justices of the Peace of the County of Charlotte to levy an assessment to pay the County Debt and Contingent Expenses of the said County :

An Act to consolidate the Laws relating to Buoys and Beacons :

An Act for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Portland and Lancaster Steam Ferry Company :

An Act relating to the appointment of Commissioners of Sewers in the Counties of Westmorland and Albert :

An Act to continue an Act to provide for Reporting and Publishing the Decisions of the Supreme Court :

An Act to continue and amend an Act for the relief of old Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and their Widows :

An Act to continue an Act to regulate the Survey and Exportation of Lumber :

An Act for the better prevention of Trespasses on Crown Lands and private property :

An Act to continue an Act to prevent injuries to Lands in the vicinity of the River Saint John, by persons conveying Timber, Logs or Lumber down the same :

An Act to continue the several Acts now in force relating to Tavern Keepers and Retailers :

An Act to amend the Act providing for the collection and protection of the Revenue of this Province : and

An Act relating to Highways.

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

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 12th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the office of Sheriff, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Grand Falls Railway Company, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration Resolutions of Appropriation sent up from the Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the eighth day of April instant, and recommended that the House should concur in the same, with the exception of the following Grant:—

To His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty pounds towards exploring the country between Boiestown and Dalhousie, in order to ascertain the practicability of opening a road through land fit for settlement between those points ;

Which was not concurred in.

The Chairman further reported, that he was directed to ask leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the eighth day of April instant, were concurred in by the House, with the exception before entered.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation, with the above exception.

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A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Barberie, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the eleventh day of April instant ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the said Resolutions, and that they be referred to the Committee of the whole House upon Resolutions of Appropriation.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Resolutions of Appropriation, and recommended that the House should concur in the same, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the eleventh day of April instant, were concurred in by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 13th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hill,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to incorporate the Grand Falls Railway Company, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Taylor, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill for the more effective auditing of Public Accounts ; also,

That they had agreed to the Bill sent down from this House, intituled " An Act to remove doubts as to the abbreviations of the names of parties and persons in proceedings at Law or in Equity," without any amendment ; also,

With the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

A Bill further to alter and amend the Act to provide for the erection of an Alms House

House and Work House, and to establish a Public Infirmary in and for the City and County of Saint John : and

A Bill to incorporate the New Brunswick Society for the encouragement of Agriculture, Home Manufactures and Commerce throughout the Province, and to regulate and provide for the same.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time on Monday next.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Insolvent Confined Debtors.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, 16th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to incorporate the New Brunswick Society for the encouragement of Agriculture, Home Manufactures and Commerce throughout the Province, and to regulate and provide for the same : and

A Bill further to alter and amend the Act to provide for the erection of an Alms House and Work House, and to establish a Public Infirmary in and for the City and County of Saint John.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. J. Earle, with a Bill to prevent the destruction of Moose in this Province; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The

The Honorable Mr. Chandler communicated the melancholy intelligence of the death of the Honorable Hugh Johnston, late a Member of this House, who died at his residence in Saint John on Saturday morning last; whereupon it was

RESOLVED, That the Members of this House do wear mourning during the remainder of the Session, as a testimony of their esteem and respect, and as a mark of their sense of the great loss which this House and the Public have sustained in his lamented death.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into further consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Insolvent Confined Debtors.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section X. expunge the word "three," and insert "six."

At B in Section XI. expunge the word "three," and insert "six."

At C in Section XIV. expunge the remainder of the Section.

At D in Section XVI. expunge the word "three," and insert "six."

At E insert a new Section, as follows, and alter the numbers of the remaining Sections:—

"XVIII. 'And whereas in cases where the sureties of any Debtor, executing a Bond under the provisions of this Act, may be considered insufficient, or where any Sheriff or other officer may die, resign, or be removed from office, it is considered proper that the Sheriff or other officer, or his successor, should be authorized to require a new Bond;' Be it therefore enacted, that in any case where the Sheriff or other officer holding any Bond taken under the provisions of this Act, or the successor of any such Sheriff or other officer, shall require such new Bond from any Debtor within the limits, the same shall be given by the Debtor in the same manner as if such Debtor was in actual custody, and on the refusal or neglect of the Debtor to give such Bond, it shall be lawful for the Sheriff or other officer to commit such Debtor to custody in the same manner as if such Debtor had been rendered by his sureties under the provisions of this Act."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with a Bill further to encourage the erection of a Suspension Bridge over the River Saint John; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Wilson, that the Assembly had agreed to the Bill sent down from this House, intituled "An Act for the further amendment of the Law."

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented a Petition from the Honorable J. Cunard, and others, praying for an Act to incorporate the Canada, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Railway Company.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 16th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill further to encourage the erection of a Suspension Bridge over the River Saint John : and

A Bill to prevent the destruction of Moose in this Province.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the New Brunswick Society for the encouragement of Agriculture, Home Manufactures and Commerce throughout the Province, and to regulate and provide for the same.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House was called over.

The Honorable Messieurs

W. Black, President,	Present.
G. Shore,	do.
J. S. Saunders,	do.
A. E. Botsford,	do.
E. B. Chandler,	do.

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The

The Honorable Messieurs

J. Robertson,	Absent by leave of the House.
H. Hatch,	Present.
W. B. Kinnear,	do.
W. F. W. Owen,	Absent.
W. Crane,	do.
G. Minchin,	Present.
T. H. Peters,	Absent by leave of the House.
C. Simonds,	Absent.
R. L. Hazen,	Absent by leave of the House.
G. S. Hill,	Present.
C. Harrison,	do.
J. Davidson,	do.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to repeal the several Acts to incorporate the City of Fredericton, and to make more effectual provisions in lieu thereof, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and recommended that the further consideration thereof be postponed for three months.

The Chairman further reported, that upon the question, whether the further consideration of the said Bill should be postponed for three months, the Committee divided—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Shore,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Harrison.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.

And so it passed in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received ; and it was thereupon

RESOLVED, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. J. Earle, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the fifteenth day of April instant ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the said Resolutions, and that they be referred to the Committee of the whole House upon Resolutions of Appropriation.

The

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation, and recommended that the House should concur in the same, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated the fifteenth day of April instant, were concurred in by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Carman, with a Bill to regulate the proof of certain documents in actions wherein Foreign Corporations doing business in this Province are parties, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Davidson, by leave, presented a Petition from Mary Collins, praying for pecuniary aid.

ORDERED, That the same be received and lie on the Table.

On motion—

Leave of absence was granted to the Honorable Mr. Hatch.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 17th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to incorporate the New Brunswick Society for the encouragement of Agriculture, Home Manufactures and Commerce throughout this Province, and to regulate and provide for the same, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

On motion—

The Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Insolvent Confined Debtors, as amended, was read a third time.

Then

Then the following additional amendment was moved :—

At F at the end of the Bill, add a new Section, as follows :—

“ XXIV. And be it enacted, That an Act made and passed in the sixth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled ‘ An Act relating to Insolvent Confined Debtors ;’ also an Act made and passed in the seventh year of the same Reign, intituled ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intituled “ An Act relating to Insolvent Confined Debtors ;” ’ also an Act made and passed in the eighth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled ‘ An Act to continue the several Acts now in force relating to Insolvent Debtors,’ be and the same are hereby repealed ; provided always, that every act, matter or thing heretofore done under and by virtue of the said recited Acts, shall remain and continue valid and effectual for all intents and purposes ; and all Bonds, acts and things which may have been taken or done under the said recited Acts or any of them, shall continue in force and may be proceeded upon in all respects the same as if said recited Acts were perpetual.”

The question was then put, whether the said Bill and amendments should pass.

Whereupon it was decided in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to regulate the proof of certain documents in actions wherein Foreign Corporations doing business in this Province are parties, was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to prevent the destruction of Moose in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Barberie, with a Bill to establish and fix the weight per Bushel of Grain, Potatoes and other Vegetables; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

On motion—

The amendments sent up from the Assembly to the Bill, intituled “ An Act to amend the Act relating to the New Brunswick Electric Telegraph Company,” being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House thereof. A

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the sixteenth day of April instant ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the said Resolutions, and that they be referred to the Committee of the whole House upon Resolutions of Appropriation.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Resolutions of Appropriation, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 18th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to prevent the destruction of Moose in this Province, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to establish and fix the weight per Bushel of Grain, Potatoes and other Vegetables, was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to regulate the proof of certain documents in actions wherein Foreign Corporations doing business in this Province are parties.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. M'Leod, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the seventeenth day of April instant; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the said Resolutions, and that they be referred to the Committee of the whole House upon Resolutions of Appropriation.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation, dated respectively the sixteenth and seventeenth days of April instant, and recommended that the House should concur in the same, with the exception of the following Grants, which they recommend should not be concurred in:—

To Isaac Woodward the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds for his services as Corresponding and Recording Commissioner of Light Houses to the thirty first of December last, the same to be taken from the Light House Fund :

To the Clerk of the House of Assembly the sum of one hundred pounds for extra services during the present Session, and a further sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty pounds for preparing an Index during the recess to the Journals and Appendices of the House the present Session :

To the Assistant Clerk of the House of Assembly the sum of seventy five pounds for extra services the present Session.

The Chairman further reported, that upon the question, whether the Grant first above entered should pass, the Committee divided—

CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Shore,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Hill.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Davidson.

And so it passed in the negative.

The Chairman further reported, that he was directed to ask leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated respectively the sixteenth and seventeenth days of April instant, were concurred in by the House, with the exceptions before entered.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation, with the above exceptions.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill further to encourage the erection of a Suspension Bridge over the River Saint John.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill, intituled “An Act to amend the Act relating to the sale of certain Lands by the Trustees of Saint Stephen’s Church, in the City of Saint John.”

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. M’Leod, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Insolvent Confined Debtors.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Ritchie, with a Bill to facilitate the making of a Railway from the Harbour of Shediac to the Bend of Petitcodiac; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with a Bill to repeal certain Acts for the more effectual prevention of Fires in the City of Saint John, and to make other provision in lieu thereof, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon all Bills relating to Corporations, presented a further Report.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

The Committee to whom were referred all Bills relating to Corporations have taken “A Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church,” into consideration, and made an amendment, which they recommend to the adoption of the House.

JOHN S. SAUNDERS, *Chairman*.

Committee Room, April 18, 1850.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, into consideration.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o’clock.

FRIDAY, 19th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to regulate the proof of certain documents in actions wherein Foreign Corporations doing business in this Province are parties, was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the sale of certain Lands by the Trustees of Saint Stephen's Church, in the City of Saint John," as engrossed, was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Title be—

An Act to amend the Act relating to the sale of certain Lands by the Trustees of Saint Stephen's Church, in the City of Saint John.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do carry the said Bill down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, and desire the concurrence of the Assembly thereto.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to repeal certain Acts for the more effectual prevention of Fires in the City of Saint John, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof: and

A Bill to facilitate the making a Railway from the Harbour of Shediac to the Bend of Petitcodiac.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bills severally into consideration.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Taylor, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the eighteenth day of April instant; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the said Resolutions, and that they be referred to the Committee of the whole House upon Resolutions of Appropriation.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Resolutions of Appropriation, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

RESOLVED, That a Select Committee of three Members be appointed to investigate and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House for the present Session.

ORDERED, That the Honorable Messieurs Botsford, Robertson, and Davidson, do compose the said Committee.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

SAFURDAY, 20th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to facilitate the making of a Railway from the Harbour of Shediac to the Bend of Petitcodiac.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Cranney, with a Bill to regulate the Fisheries in the Bay, Harbour and River Miramichi, and its Branches; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Taylor, with Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the nineteenth day of April instant; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Resolutions were read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the said Resolutions, and that they be referred to the Committee of the whole House upon Resolutions of Appropriation.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Resolutions of Appropriation severally dated the eighteenth and nineteenth days of April instant, and recommended that the House should concur in the same, with the exception of the following Grant, which they recommend should not be concurred in :—

To Thomas Allan and William Ruddock, Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of Portland, the sum of twenty seven pounds to reimburse them for advances made in support of sick and destitute Emigrants in one thousand eight hundred and forty two, to be taken from the Emigrant Fund, this amount being deducted from the amount recommended by the Committee to be granted to the Commissioners of the Alms House and Work House in the City and County of Saint John for the present year.

The Chairman further reported, that upon the question, whether the Grant to the Commissioners of the Alms House and Work House in the City and County of Saint John of the sum of four hundred and ninety three pounds ten shillings and ten pence, balance due them for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty eight, should pass, the Committee divided—

CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Shore,
Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Davidson.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General.

And so it passed in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

Whereupon the Resolutions of Appropriation dated respectively the eighteenth and nineteenth days of April instant, were concurred in by the House, with the exception before entered.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the said Resolutions of Appropriation, with the above exception.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable the Attorney General, with a Bill to continue the Acts relating to Parish Schools ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, 22d April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to facilitate the making of a Railway from the Harbour of Shediac to the Bend of Petitcodiac, was read a third time, and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :—

A Bill to continue the Acts relating to Parish Schools : and

A Bill to regulate the Fisheries in the Bay, Harbour and River Miramichi, and its Branches.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the first entered Bill into consideration.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards the last entered Bill, and that the House be put into Committee of the whole presently to take the said Bill into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section XVII. expunge the words " saw dust."

At B in Section XXI. expunge the word " one," and insert the word " two."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to repeal certain Acts for the more effectual prevention of Fires in the City of Saint John, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof. The

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and leave granted.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to establish and fix the weight per Bushel of Grain, Potatoes and other Vegetables.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A expunge the Preamble, and insert as follows :—

“Whereas the mode of selling Grain, Potatoes and other Vegetable Roots, by measure, without any fixed standard of weight by the Bushel, is very uncertain by reason of the great difference in the quality and value of the same.”

At B in Section I. expunge the remainder of the Section.

At C expunge “II. And be it enacted, that.”

At D in Section III. expunge the whole Section.

At E expunge “IV.” and insert “II.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the City of Saint John, in connexion with the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of Ireland, together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section I. insert the words “for the like benefit.”

At B in Section II. insert the words “saving the rights of such present Trustees and Her Majesty, and all other persons, bodies corporate or politic, or other claims or rights whatsoever.”

The

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 23^d April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills, as amended, were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the City of Saint John, in connexion with the Reformed Presbyterian Synod in Ireland :

A Bill to establish and fix the weight per Bushel of Grain, Potatoes and other Vegetables : and

A Bill to regulate the Fisheries in the Bay, Harbour and River Miramichi, and its Branches.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Brown, with a Bill to provide for opening and repairing Roads and erecting Bridges throughout the Province ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the House be put into Committee of the whole presently to take the said Bill into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Fisher, with a Bill to reduce the Fees on Militia Commissions; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the House be put into Committee of the whole presently to take the said Bill into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill; and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Fisher, with a Bill relating to the levying and collecting of Rates in the City of Fredericton; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to continue the Acts relating to Parish Schools.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Ritchie, with a Bill to reduce the costs in actions in the Supreme Court; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 24th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,

Mr. Black, President.

Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,

Mr.

Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,

Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill to provide for opening and repairing Roads and erecting Bridges in this Province :

A Bill to continue the Acts relating to Parish Schools : and

A Bill to reduce the Fees on Militia Commissions.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to these Bills without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill to reduce the Costs in actions in the Supreme Court, was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the House be put into Committee of the whole to-morrow, to take the said Bill into consideration.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Cranney, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill to regulate the Fisheries in the Bay, Harbour and River Miramichi, and its Branches.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the City of Saint John, in connexion with the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of Ireland.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Taylor, that the Assembly had agreed to the Bill sent down from this House, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act relating to the sale of certain Lands by the Trustees of Saint Stephen's Church, in the City of Saint John," without any amendment; also,

With a Bill to incorporate the Fredericton and Saint John Electric Telegraph Company; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the House be put into Committee of the whole presently to take the said Bill into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill relating to levying and collecting of Rates in the City of Fredericton.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made an amendment thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

The Chairman further reported, that on the question whether the following amendment do pass, viz :—

“That all that part of the fifth section of an Act made and passed in the eleventh year of Her Majesty’s Reign, intituled ‘An Act to incorporate the City of Fredericton,’ which makes the qualification of the Electors fifteen pounds, and taxes twenty shillings, be and the same is hereby repealed, and that from and after the passing of this Act the qualification of the said Electors shall be seven pounds ten shillings, in addition to the amount of rates, ten shillings ;”

The Committee divided—

CONTENT.

The Hon. Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Minchin.

NON-CONTENT.

The Hon. The President,
Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Davidson.

And so it passed in the negative.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

At A add a new Section :—

“VIII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall continue and be in force until the first day of April which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty two.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That it be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time tomorrow.

The Honorable Mr. Robertson presented to the House a Bill, intituled “An Act to establish the amount of certain Silver Coins which shall be taken in payment as a legal tender in this Province.”

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED,

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the House be put into Committee of the whole presently to take the said Bill into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill engrossed and read a third time.

The said Bill was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Title be—

An Act to establish the amount of certain Silver Coins that shall be taken in payment as a legal tender in this Province.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do carry the said Bill down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, and desire the concurrence of the Assembly thereto.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 25th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, and passed :—

A Bill relating to the levying and collecting of Rates in the City of Fredericton : and

A Bill to incorporate the Fredericton and Saint John Electric Telegraph Company.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to the first entered Bill, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly ; also, that they had agreed to the last entered Bill without any amendment.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to repeal certain Acts for the more effectual prevention of Fires in the City of Saint John, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.

The

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and recommended that the further consideration thereof be postponed for three months.

ORDERED, That the Report be received ; and it was thereupon

RESOLVED, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months.

On motion—

The House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill further to alter and amend the Act to provide for the erection of an Alms House and Work House, and to establish a Public Infirmary in and for the City and County of Saint John.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, had made certain amendments thereto, and recommended the Bill, as amended, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

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

At A in Section I. expunge the remainder of the Section, and also Sections II. and III. and insert as follows :—

“ The Commissioners of the Alms House and Work House for the City and County of Saint John, heretofore appointed or hereafter to be appointed under the provisions of an Act made and passed in the first year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled ‘ An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms House and Work House, and to establish a Public Infirmary in and for the City and County of Saint John,’ shall be subject to the order and control of the General Sessions of the Peace for the City and County of Saint John, in the same manner and to the same extent as any Overseers of the Poor of any Parish in this Province now are subject to any order of the General Sessions of the County to which such Parish may belong ; and that the provisions of the second Section of an Act made and passed in the ninth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled ‘ An Act relating to County and Parish Officers in the City and County of Saint John,’ shall be extended to and are hereby declared to apply to the said Commissioners of the said Alms House and Work House, in the same manner as if the said Commissioners were Parish or County Officers, appointed by the Justices of the Peace for the City and County of Saint John.

“ II. And be it enacted, That none of the said Commissioners shall receive any compensation or allowance, directly or indirectly, for his services as such, nor shall any of them be capable of holding any office, place or employment in, about or connected with the said Alms House and Work House, for or by means of which any salary, fee, emolument, compensation or perquisite can be derived ; nor shall any Commissioner, either by himself or his sureties, be engaged or interested in any way whatever, either as security or otherwise, in any contract for or on account of the said

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Alms House and Work House, or in procuring any supplies, goods, materials, provisions, or articles whatever, for the use thereof."

At B expunge "IV." and insert "III."

At C expunge Sections V. VI. VII. and VIII.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time.

The said Bill, as amended, was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with certain amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the Bill to reduce the costs in actions in the Supreme Court.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, and recommended that the further consideration thereof be postponed for three months.

ORDERED, That the Report be received; and it was thereupon

RESOLVED, That the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Hayward, that the Assembly had agreed to the Bill sent down from this House, intituled "An Act to establish the amount of certain Silver Coins that shall be taken in payment as a legal tender in this Province;" also,

With the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:—

A Bill for the reduction of Judicial Salaries: and

A Bill for the reduction of the Salary of the Master of the Rolls.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, that the Assembly had agreed to the amendments sent down from this House to the Bill relating to levying and collecting of Rates in the City of Fredericton.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Expenses of this House, presented a Report.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

The Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingencies of this House for the present Session, beg leave to report that they have attended to that duty, and find that they amount to the sum of Seven hundred and fifty one pounds
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nineteen shillings and ten pence, that the several accounts forming this aggregate are satisfactory, and they recommend the same to be allowed.

Respectfully submitted.

A. E. BOTSFORD,
JOHN ROBERTSON,
JAS. DAVIDSON.

Committee Room, April 24, 1850.

RESOLVED, That the Contingent Expenses of this House for the present Session amount to the sum of Seven hundred and fifty one pounds nineteen shillings and ten pence.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with a Bill relating to the Trade between this Province and the United States of America ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the House be put into Committee of the whole presently to take the said Bill into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time.

The said Bill was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Taylor, with the following Resolutions of Appropriation, dated the nineteenth day of April instant, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :—

To the Postmaster at Fredericton the sum of Five hundred and fifty three pounds one shilling and nine pence for the Postages of the Legislature during the present Session :

To the Clerk of the House of Assembly the sum of one thousand nine hundred and seventy three pounds eighteen shillings and three pence, being for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Council and this House during the present Session.

The said Resolutions being read were concurred in by the House.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House thereof.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 26th April, 1850.

PRESENT :

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Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Shore,
Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Davidson.*

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hazen,
Mr. Harrison,*

PRAYERS.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Woodward, with a Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the services therein mentioned ; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the same be read a second time.

The said Bill was read a second time.

ORDERED, That the twenty third Rule of this House be dispensed with, as regards this Bill, and that the House be put into Committee of the whole presently to take the said Bill into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Bill, and recommended the same, without amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received, and the Bill read a third time.

The said Bill was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Botsford, from the Joint Committee of this House and the Assembly appointed to make Rules and Regulations for the better management of the Legislative Library, presented a Report.

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows :—

Rules for the regulation and government of the Joint Library of the Legislature.

1st.—The Library shall be under the immediate care and control of a Committee of six Members of the Legislature, each House to appoint three.

2d.—The Committee may, if they deem it expedient, appoint a Secretary, who shall have the general care and supervision of the Library, but who shall receive no compensation for his services, except the privilege of access to the Library, and of taking Books therefrom.

3d.—The Committee shall appoint a Librarian, who shall at all times be under the direction of the standing Committee, and of their Secretary. It shall be his duty to attend in the Library daily during the sitting of the Legislature, from the hour of ten

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o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon, and from seven o'clock until nine o'clock in the evening; and during the recess, on every Wednesday, from twelve o'clock at noon until four o'clock in the afternoon; and he shall also be ready at any other time to open the Library, at the request of a Member of the Legislature.

4th.—The Librarian shall be held accountable for all Books in the Library. He shall keep a Register, in which he shall enter the number of every Book issued out of the Library, and the name of the person to whom it has been issued; and no Book shall, on any pretext, be taken out of the Library until the Librarian shall have so entered the same; and it shall be his duty also to see that all Books taken out be returned.

5th.—No person shall be allowed to take any Book from the shelves but through the Librarian.

6th.—No person shall be admitted into the Library for the purpose of reading while it is open, except upon the introduction (personally or by letter) of a Member of the Legislature. The name, &c. of the person so introduced shall be recorded by the Member, or by the Librarian, in a Book to be kept for that purpose in the Library. Such an introduction shall not continue in force longer than one week, and it shall not entitle the person so introduced to receive Books from the Library.

7th.—No Books shall be issued from the Library except to the following persons, and no more than two volumes shall be issued to each of them at any one time, which may be kept out one week during the sitting of the Legislature, or two weeks during the recess:—Members of the Legislature, Master of the Rolls, Judges of the Supreme Court, Executive Councillors who are not Members of the Legislature, Colonial Secretary, Attorney General, Solicitor General, Province Treasurer, Auditor General, Receiver General, Surveyor General, Officers of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, Clerk of the Executive Council, Governor's Private Secretary and Staff Officers, Commandant and Officers of the Garrison in Fredericton, former Members of the Councils or Assembly, Clergymen stationed in the City of Fredericton, Professors of the University of King's College, Principal Master of the Collegiate Grammar School, the Training School, and the Baptist Seminary, and the Queen's Printer.

8th.—The Newspapers taken by the respective Houses shall be deposited, during the recess, in the Library, and kept there on file for the use of the Members of the Legislature.

A. E. BOTSFORD,
W. B. KINNEAR,
R. L. HAZEN.

ORDERED, That the Rules be adopted by the House.

The House adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House resumed.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor came to the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through the Honorable the President, to let the Assembly know—"It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House."

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The House attended accordingly.

His Excellency then gave His assent to the following Bills, intituled—

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the local government of Counties, Towns and Parishes in this Province :

An Act to authorize limited Partnerships in this Province :

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Landlord and Tenant, and regulating proceedings in Replevin :

An Act to consolidate all the Laws now in force for the division of the Province into Counties, Towns and Parishes :

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to sick and disabled Seamen belonging to this Province, not being Paupers :

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws to provide for the administration of Justice in the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace :

An Act to continue an Act to authorize the granting of Mill Reserves in certain cases :

An Act to amend an Act, intituled, "An Act to provide for the summary punishment of persons committing trespasses upon Square Timber and other Lumber :"

An Act to provide for the greater safety of Passengers on Board of Steam Boats :

An Act to continue an Act to make provision for Seamen shipped on board of Vessels belonging to this Province :

An Act to continue several Acts providing for the more efficient inspection of Flour and Meal :

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Great Roads of Communication through this Province :

An Act to amend the Laws relating to Juries :

An Act to continue an Act to provide for the services of the Clerk of the Circuit Courts in this Province :

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Office of Sheriff :

An Act to limit the operations of an Act, intituled "An Act for the adjustment of claims of certain purchasers of Crown Lands :"

An Act relating to the Trade between this Province and the West Indies :

An Act relating to the Trade between this Province and the United States of America :

An Act to prevent the destruction of Moose in this Province :

An Act for the establishment and regulation of Inland Posts within this Province :

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to insolvent confined Debtors :

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to absconding, concealed and absent Debtors :

An Act to regulate the printing and distribution of the Acts of Assembly :

An Act to regulate the proof of certain documents in actions wherein Foreign Corporations doing business in this Province are parties :

An Act in further amendment of the Law :

An Act for the punishment of persons guilty of injuring Electric Telegraphs :

An Act to remove doubts as to the abbreviation of the names of parties and persons in proceedings at Law or in Equity :

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An Act to continue and amend an Act, intituled "An Act relating to the collection of Duty on Timber and other Lumber:"

An Act to remove doubts relating to Marriages in certain cases:

An Act to prevent desertion from Her Majesty's Forces:

An Act to provide for the holding a Circuit Court in the County of Victoria:

An Act to establish Polling places in the County of Victoria:

An Act relating to the Naturalization of Aliens in this Province:

An Act to reduce the Fees on Militia Commissions:

An Act to continue the Acts relating to Parish Schools:

An Act to establish the amount of certain Silver Coins that shall be taken in payment as a legal tender in this Province:

An Act to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the payment of the Ordinary Services of the Province:

An Act to provide for opening and repairing Roads and erecting Bridges throughout the Province:

An Act to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the services therein mentioned:

An Act to establish a Board of Health in the City and County of Saint John:

An Act to continue an Act to provide for the more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in the Town Plat of Saint Andrews:

An Act to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland for the time being to receive the Title of and hold a piece of Land in the Town of Newcastle, for the use of a Grammar School in the said Town:

An Act to prevent the spread of a Disorder now existing in certain parts of the Counties of Gloucester and Northumberland:

An Act for the regulation of the South Bay Canal:

An Act to enable the Commissioners of Highways to establish a Public Road two rods wide across the Great Marsh in the Parish of Hopewell, in the County of Albert:

An Act to provide for the establishment of a Grammar School in the County of Victoria:

An Act relating to the levying and collecting of Rates in the City of Fredericton:

An Act to regulate the Fisheries in the Bay, Harbour and River Miramichi, and its Branches:

An Act further to alter and amend the Act to provide for the erection of an Alms House and Work House, and to establish a Public Infirmary in and for the City and County of Saint John:

An Act to continue an Act relating to the Parish Church of Saint Andrews:

An Act relating to the Saint Andrews and Quebec Rail Road:

An Act to settle certain doubts raised under the last Will and Testament of Mark Varley, late of the City of Saint John, Brick Maker, but now deceased:

An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Church of Scotland in the Town of Saint Andrews to sell certain Lands, and vest the proceeds in other Lands:

An Act to authorize the Trustees of Saint Andrews Church, in the City of Saint John, to re-convey to the Crown a certain Tract of Land in the County of Albert, and for other purposes:

An Act to alter and amend the Act incorporating the Carleton County Agricultural Society:

An Act for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the Saint John Mechanics' Whale Fishing Company:

An Act to incorporate the Shediac Grindstone Manufacturing, and Mining Company:

An Act to incorporate the Fredericton Gas Light Company:

An Act to incorporate the Pirate Brook River Driving Company:

An Act to incorporate the Agricultural Society of Sunbury:

An Act further to encourage the erection of a Suspension Bridge over the River Saint John:

An Act further to amend and continue the Act to incorporate the Nashwaak Boom Company:

An Act to facilitate the operations of the New Brunswick Iron Company:

An Act to amend the Act relating to the sale of certain Lands by the Trustees of Saint Stephen's Church in the City of Saint John:

An Act to incorporate the Fredericton and Saint John Electric Telegraph Company:

An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the City of Saint John, in connexion with the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of Ireland:

An Act to incorporate the New Brunswick Society for the encouragement of Agriculture, Home Manufactures and Commerce throughout the Province, and to regulate and provide for the same:

An Act for the more effective auditing of Public Accounts: *With a suspending clause:*

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws establishing the value of Coins and a Legal Tender within the Province: *With a suspending clause:*

An Act to incorporate the Grand Falls Railway Company: *With a suspending clause:*

An Act to facilitate the making of a Railway from the Harbour of Shediac to the Bend of Petitcodiac: *With a suspending clause.*

His Excellency was then pleased to deliver the following Speech:—

“ Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

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

“ I congratulate you on having brought to a close the labours of the Session. The measures which have occupied your attention are of great importance in themselves, more especially those relating to the Post Office,—the consolidation and amendment of the Laws,—and the Audit of Accounts.

“ The organization of the new County of Victoria, is also a matter to which you have contributed, by your legislation, in the present Session.

“ I have by Proclamation done my best to carry out your wishes with regard to Inter-Colonial Trade.

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

“ I thank you for the Supplies you have granted. By continuing the Revenue Act of last year, you have, at any rate, avoided the serious evil of sudden and unexpected changes in the Import Duties.

“ Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

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

“ I trust that the lateness of the period to which you have been detained by your Legislative duties, will not interfere seriously with your private affairs; and I entertain no doubt that the Province will properly appreciate the services which you have rendered the Public during the present Session.”

After which, the President of the Council, the Honorable Mr. Black, by His Excellency's command, declared the Assembly prorogued until the last Tuesday in June next.

G. BOTSFORD, *Clerk Leg. Co.*

APPENDIX.

No. 1.

[See Journal 27th February, 1850.]

Returns from King's College at Fredericton, and the Collegiate School connected therewith, for the Year 1849.

KING'S COLLEGE.

NAMES, &c., OF PROFESSORS FOR THE YEAR 1849.

The Reverend Edwin Jacob, D. D., Professor of Classical Literature, History, Moral Philosophy, Metaphysics, and Divinity, and Principal of the College.

James Robb, Esquire, M. D., Professor of Chemistry and Natural History.

William B. Jack, Esquire, A. M., Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy.

Marshall d'Avray, Esquire, Teacher of Modern Languages.

NAMES OF STUDENTS DURING THE YEAR.

Resident and in attendance at Lectures.

Edward DuVernet,
Neville Parker,
Hugh B. Johnston,
Thomas D. Street,
Henry B. Nichols,

Thomas M. Johnston,
John Davidson,
George E. S. Keator,
George J. Chubb,
Stephen S. Smith.

Non-Resident and in attendance at Lectures.

Rev. W. H. Shore, A. M.,
J. S. Saunders,
J. L. Marsh,
G. G. Roberts,
T. A. Gregory,

T. T. Currie,
Charles F. Street,
W. H. Murray,
T. Rainsford,
B. Hart.

Non-Resident and keeping Terms.

J. R. Hea,
Henry Pope,
J. L. Marsh,
George Milligan,

Thomas W. Wood,
J. H. Read,
John J. Tracey,
Andrew J. Tracey.

COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.

George Roberts, Esquire, Head Master.

Charles G. Coster, Esquire, Second Master.

Mr. Hugh S. Moore, Assistant Teacher in the English Department.

Number of Scholars in attendance at the Collegiate School during the year, and number studying in each Department.

Total number of Scholars in attendance during the year,	76.
Average attendance,....	60.
Greatest number at one time,	66.
Number studying in the Classical Department, ...	46.
Number studying in the English Department,	30.

Of this number there have been 12 free Scholars.

CHARLES FISHER, *Registrar.*

The Chancellor, President and Scholars of King's College, at Fredericton, in the Province of New Brunswick, in Account Current with Charles Fisher, Registrar and Treasurer.

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1849. To paid Salaries, viz:—

Reverend Dr. Jacob,				
Quarter's Salary to 31st March,	£162 10 0	
Ditto 30th June,	...	...	162 10 0	
Ditto as Principal of the College to 30th Sept.	...	...	125 0 0	
Ditto do. to 31st December,	...	...	125 0 0	
Ditto as Professor of Divinity for a half year to 31st December,	...	...	25 0 0	
				£600 0 0
Doctor Robb,				
Quarter's Salary to 31st March,	...	...	£75 0 0	
Ditto 30th June,	...	...	75 0 0	
Ditto 30th September,	...	...	75 0 0	
Ditto 31st December,	...	...	75 0 0	
				300 0 0
William B. Jack,				
Quarter's Salary to 31st March,	...	...	£75 0 0	
Ditto 30th June,	...	...	75 0 0	
Ditto 30th September,	...	...	75 0 0	
Ditto 31st December,	...	...	75 0 0	
				300 0 0
				£1,200 0 0
<i>Carried forward,</i>				

	<i>Brought forward,</i>	...	...	...	£1,200	0	0
Marshall d'Avray,							
Quarter's Salary to 31st March,	...	...	...	£20	0	0	
Ditto 30th June,...	...	...	...	20	0	0	
Ditto 30th September,	...	...	...	20	0	0	
Ditto 31st December,	...	...	...	20	0	0	
							80 0 0
Samuel Fleming,							
Quarter's Salary to 1st March,...	...	...	...	£15	0	0	
Ditto 1st June, ...	...	...	...	15	0	0	
Ditto 1st September,	...	...	...	15	0	0	
							45 0 0
John Fleming,							
Quarter's Salary to 1st December,	...	...	...	...	...	...	15 0 0
Edwin J. Jacob,							
Quarter's Salary to 31st March,	...	...	...	£5	0	0	
Ditto 30th June,...	...	...	...	5	0	0	
							10 0 0
Charles Fisher,							
One year's Salary to 31st December, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100 0 0
Henry Wandless,							
Quarter's Salary to 31st March,	...	...	...	£10	0	0	
Ditto 30th June,...	...	...	...	10	0	0	
Ditto 30th September,	...	...	...	10	0	0	
Ditto 31st December,	...	...	...	10	0	0	
							40 0 0
George Turner,							
One year's Salary to 31st December, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 0 0
Lawrence Neville,							
Quarter's Salary to 31st March, ...	...	...	...	£2	10	0	
Ditto 30th June,...	...	...	...	2	10	0	
Ditto 30th September,	...	...	...	2	10	0	
Ditto 31st December,	...	...	...	2	10	0	
							10 0 0
<i>Scholarship's Account.</i>							
One quarter to H. B. Nichols to 31st March,	...	...	...	£6	5	0	
Ditto 30th June, ...	...	...	...	6	5	0	
Ditto 30th September,	...	...	...	6	5	0	
Ditto 31st December,	...	...	...	6	5	0	
							25 0 0
Paid N. Parker in full to 7th April,	...	...	...	...	...	...	6 14 8
G. E. Keator, 4 months to 6th January 1850,	...	...	...	...	...	...	5 0 0
S. H. Sinnott, Ditto	...	...	...	...	...	...	5 0 0
J. W. Johnston $\frac{1}{2}$ year from 22nd June to 22nd December,	...	...	...	...	...	...	7 10 0
<i>Carried forward,</i>	...	...	...	£1,559	4	8	

		<i>Brought forward,</i>	...	...	...	£1,559	4	8
<i>Library and Philosophical Apparatus.</i>								
June	9.	Paid Rankin, Gilmour & Co. Bill of Exchange for £169						
		5s. Sterling, for Telescope,	£206	16	1			
July	30.	For Bill of Exchange for £182 13s. Sterling, remitted to F. & J. Ryvington for Books,	224	5	1			
Oct.	8.	For Bill of Exchange for £42 Sterling, remitted to Richard Griffin & Co.,	51	11	4			
Nov.	1.	Rev. W. H. Tippit, freight of Skeleton,	0	4	0			
Dec.	15.	For Bill of Exchange for £25 Sterling remitted to Richard Griffin & Co.,	30	11	4			
		R. Rankin & Co. expenses of importing Telescope, freight, insurance, &c. &c.,	37	3	5			
		George Todd for work about Telescope,	5	5	7			
		A. H. Coy for Chemicals,	4	16	4			
Aug.		A. H. Clark, work for Telescope,	14	17	9	—	575	10 11

Incidental Expenses.

March	6.	Paid Andrew Gregg for work,	£2	10	0			
April	6.	Dr. Robb for Lectures on Agricultural Chemistry, by order of the College Council,	25	0	0			
		Samuel Fleming, for allowance of Fuel,	40	0	0			
April	6.	Jonathan G. Harding,	2	19	5			
July	24.	Jacob A. Cummings for planting Trees,	3	0	0			
Aug.	28.	John T. Lawrence, work at Museum,	29	18	9			
Nov.	1.	James Hogg, Printing Notices,	1	10	0			
Dec.		W. Cadwallader, Porter's Clothes,	6	13	10			
		H. Chubb & Co., Printing and Advertising for a number of years,	7	6	2			
		John Barrett, for Fence,	24	15	0			
		S. A. Akerley, for Coals for Library, and Glass,	4	9	9			
		Steamer Saint John, Freight,	0	4	9			
		Samuel Fleming, for Repairs,	8	9	0			
		Andrew Blair, for Surveying in 1848 and '49,	7	2	6			
		W. R. Witham, Repairs, &c.,	10	1	1			
		Pew Rent, Christ Church Cathedral,	7	13	1			
		C. Fisher's Account, drawing Leases to 30th June,	11	13	4			
		Postage for the year,	0	2	10	—	193	10 2

Expenses of the Collegiate School.

Paid Salaries as follows:—

George Roberts,								
	Quarter's Salary to 7th April,	£50	0	0				
	Ditto 7th July,	50	0	0				
	Ditto 7th October,	50	0	0				
	Ditto 7th January, 1850,	50	0	0	—	200	0	0
Charles George Coster,								
	Quarter's Salary to 31st March,	£25	0	0				
	Ditto 30th June,	25	0	0				
	Ditto 30th September,	25	0	0				
	Ditto 31st December,	25	0	0	—	100	0	0

Carried forward, £2,628 5 9

		<i>Brought forward.</i>				£2,628 5 9
	Hugh Moore,					
	Quarter's Salary to 31st March,	...	...	...	...	£12 10 0
	Ditto 30th June,	...	...	...	...	12 10 0
	Ditto 30th September,	...	...	...	...	12 10 0
	Ditto 31st December,	...	...	...	...	12 10 0
						50 0 0
<i>Incidental Expenses.</i>						
June 25.	Paid James T. Nash for Prize Books,	2 1 2
						£2,680 6 11
	Amount on hand carried down,	213 11 3
						£2,893 18 2

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Jan. 1.	By Balance on hand per last Account to date,	£180 9 1
Amounts received, viz:—						
	From Receiver General for Crown Grant to 31st March,					£277 15 6
	Ditto do 30th June,					277 15 6
	Ditto do 30th September,					277 15 6
	Ditto do 31st December,					277 15 6
						1,111 2 0
May 29.	From Provincial Treasurer on Account of Warrant,	...	...	...	...	£300 0 0
June 9.	Ditto do do					200 0 0
Aug. 3.	Ditto do do					300 0 0
Oct. 17.	Ditto do do					300 0 0
						1,100 0 0
April 17,	Ditto Hon. Judge Street an old balance,	...	...	...	...	55 10 0

Rent Roll.

Amounts received from—

Jan. 12.	F. W. Hatheway to 24th December, 1847,	...	...	...	...	£13 10 0
	Joseph Coulter in December,	...	...	...	...	4 0 0
	do. March 1849,	...	...	...	...	4 0 0
	Dennis O'Leary, on account,	...	...	...	...	3 0 0
	Joseph Hill, on account,	...	...	...	...	3 0 0
Jan. 28.	Patrick Kirlin for Wells' Estate to 24th September last,	...	...	...	...	3 16 3
Mar. 30.	M. Johnston to 24th March, 1849,	...	...	...	...	6 12 6
April 13.	J. Johnston, Bailey Lot 2 years, to 24th March,	...	...	...	...	4 9 2
" 19.	Timothy M'Carthy to 24th March,	...	...	...	...	7 1 3
May 3.	Nathaniel Cameron do.	...	...	...	...	2 0 0
	David Breen do.	...	...	...	...	8 0 0
" 9.	Patrick M'Grath to 24th March, 1849,	...	...	...	...	6 7 6
	J. M'Gowan, 30th December to 24th September, 1848,	...	...	...	...	7 10 0
	Mrs. Jennings. $\frac{1}{2}$ of Town Lot, to 24th March, 1849,	...	...	...	...	3 16 3
	Patrick M'Grath, to 24th September, 1848,	...	...	...	...	6 7 6
	Edward Fletcher,	...	...	...	...	2 19 11

Carried forward, £86 10 4

		<i>Brought forward,</i>	£86 10 4	
		Amounts received from—		
May	18.	Patrick Kirlin, for Wells' Estate, to 24th March, 1849, ...	3 16 2	
		Hon. Hugh Johnston, rent of Bailey Lot to 24th March, '49,	0 5 0	
June	6.	G. Anderson to 24th March, 1849,	6 1 3	
		William Watts, rent and stumpage for Wortman and Har-		
		ned's Lot,	9 17 0	
"	8.	Richard Sands, 2 years on perpt. Lease to 24th March, '49,	1 10 0	
"	28.	J. M'Gowan to 24th March, 1849,	7 10 0	
July	13.	John Hetherman, on 2 Pasture Lots to 24th December, '48,		
		40s. and 50s.,	4 10 0	
"	24.	S. D. M'Pherson, rent of M'Queen Lot, 5 acres, from 24th		
		March, 1846,	0 8 2	
"	27.	John Glass to 24th September, 1848,	3 15 0	
Aug.	6.	Executors of C. J. Peters for 3 years rent on Lot 8, Home-		
		stead, at 30s.,	4 10 0	
"	6.	Ditto for three years rent on six acre Lot, at 12s.	1 16 0	
		Ditto for three years rent on one acre Lot, at 1s.	0 3 0	
"	8.	Ditto Joseph Coulter, on account,	7 0 0	
Oct.	6.	Arthur Jennings to 24th September, 1849,	3 16 3	
"	8.	Margery Johnston, to ditto,	6 12 6	
"	9.	L. Neville, 2 Lots to 24th March, 1849,	5 0 0	
"	27.	Patrick M'Grath to 24th September, 1849,	6 7 6	
		Timothy M'Carthy to ditto,	7 1 3	
Nov.	1.	H. Caher for M'Elroy Lot to ditto,	33 2 6	
"	24.	Joseph Coulter on account,	5 0 0	
"	27.	William Greaves, rent of Ferry,	12 0 0	
		Charles Fisher, rent of Bliss Lot,	1 4 8	
		Ditto Taylor Lot,	2 10 0	
		Ditto Lewis Fisher Lot,	3 7 0	
		Ditto Lot in rear of Alms House,	1 9 0	
		Ditto Pasture Lot,	2 0 0	
"	28.	James M'Gowan,	7 10 0	
				£234 12 8

Interest, viz :—

Jan.	24.	Amount received from Executors of C. J. Peters, as follows :		
		Two years interest on £300 Mortgage to 24th March, '48,	£36 0 0	
		Ditto on £133 11 2 Mortgage to ditto,	16 0 0	

Amounts received from—

April	13.	Hon. Judge Street to 24th March,	24 0 0	
"	17.	W. F. F. Jones on account of interest,	10 0 0	
May	20.	L. B. Rainsford to 24th March, 1849,	12 0 0	
June	18.	W. B. Phair on Mortgage,	12 0 0	
Aug.	6.	Executors of C. J. Peters, interest on £300 Mortgage to		
		24th March last,	18 0 0	
		Mortgage on £133 11 2 to 24th March last,	8 0 3	
Oct.	23.	J. & T. Murray to 17th May, 1849,	30 0 0	
				166 0 3

Carried forward, £400 12 11

		<i>Brought forward</i>	£400 12 11
		<i>Rent Redemption.</i>	
May 15.	Amount received from Hon. Hugh Johnston for redemption of George Bailey's Lot held under perpetual lease from the College,	£37 3 1	
July 24.	S. D. M'Pherson, redemption of five acres, M'Queen Lot,	2 1 8	
			39 4 9
		<i>Library Fund.</i>	
Dec. 31.	Amounts received from Students for Books,	£3 16 0	
	Subscriptions to Library,	1 10 0	
			5 6 0
		<i>Plate Fund.</i>	
Dec. 31.	Amount received from Students for Subscriptions to date,		0 15 0
		<i>Dilapidation Account.</i>	
Dec. 31.	Amount received from Students on this Account,		0 18 5
			<u>£2,893 18 2</u>
1850. Jan. 1.	By amount on hand brought down,		<u>£213 11 3</u>

I do attest and declare that the within Account is a just and true statement of the Income and Expenditure of the College for the past year.

CHARLES FISHER, Registrar.

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