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OF THE

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

OF THE

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OF

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FROM THURSDAY THE 8TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, TO MONDAY THE 19TH DAY OF MARCH, 1827.



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(L. S.)

By His Excellency Major-General Sir HOWARD DOUGLAS,
Baronet, Lieutenant-Governor, and Commander-in-
Chief of the Province of New-Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

HOWARD DOUGLAS.

A Proclamation.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Tuesday the thirteenth day of this instant, June; I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued to the second Tuesday in September next ensuing.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Fredericton, the first day of June, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, and in the seventh year of His Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

WM. F. ODELL.

(L. S.)

By His Excellency Major-General Sir HOWARD DOUGLAS,
Baronet, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander-in-
Chief of the Province of New-Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

HOWARD DOUGLAS.

A Proclamation.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Tuesday the Twelfth day of September next; I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued to the Second Tuesday in December next ensuing.

Given under my hand and Seal at Fredericton, the thirty-first day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, and in the seventh Year of His Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

WM. F. ODELL.

(L. S.)

By His Excellency Major-General Sir HOWARD DOUGLAS,
Baronet, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander-in-
Chief of the Province of New-Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

HOWARD DOUGLAS.

A Proclamation.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Tuesday the Twelfth day of this instant, December; I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued to Thursday the twenty-fifth day of January next ensuing—*then to meet at Fredericton, for the dispatch of business.*

Given under my Hand and Seal at Fredericton, the fifth day of December in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, and in the seventh Year of Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

WM. F. ODELL.

(L. S.)

By His Excellency Major-General Sir HOWARD DOUGLAS,
Baronet, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander-in-
Chief of the Province of New-Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

HOWARD DOUGLAS.

A Proclamation.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Thursday the twenty-fifth day of this instant, January; I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued to Thursday the eighth day of February next—*then to meet at Fredericton for the dispatch of business.*

Given under my Hand and Seal at Fredericton, the second day of January, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, and in the seventh Year of His Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

WM. F. ODELL.



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PROVINCE OF NEW-BRUNSWICK.

Major-General Sir HOWARD DOUGLAS, Baronet, Lieutenant-Governor.

F R E D E R I C T O N,

THURSDAY, 8th February, 1827.

THE General Assembly having been by several Proclamations prorogued until this day, then to meet for the dispatch of business ;

The House being met,

A Message was delivered from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, requiring the immediate attendance of the House in the Council Chamber.—The House attended, and being returned;

Mr. Johnston moved for leave to bring in a bill to amend an Act intituled "An Act for ascertaining damages on Protested Bills of Exchange.

Leave granted.

Mr. Speaker then reported, that the House had attended His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in the Council Chamber, in obedience to His Command, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make a Speech to both Houses, and to prevent mistakes he had procured a copy of the same, which he read to the House, and is as follows :—

" Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council ;

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

I HAVE great satisfaction in keeping in existence to the completion of its Constitutional period, a Legislature whose efforts have been zealously, wisely, and harmoniously devoted to the Public welfare, in the deliberations

rations to which I have already called you ; and I open this, the last Session which the Constitution will admit of this present Assembly, with entire confidence that, at its close, I shall have again to exercise a pleasing duty in giving my concurrence to measures conceived in the spirit I so cordially greet, and calculated, as your former proceedings have eminently been, to advance the Public Interests.

“ With that good affection to the Parent State which has ever been known to animate the People of New-Brunswick, you will, I am well persuaded, deeply deplore the distress which has pervaded the Commercial and Manufacturing Districts of the Mother Countries, within the last Twelve Months : and whilst you commiserate the sufferings which have ensued, and pay just tribute to the exemplary patience with which they have been borne, you cannot fail to revere and admire the unbounded munificence and liberality of our Most Gracious Sovereign, and numerous classes of your fellow subjects at home, (in whose beneficence, this Province, in its yet recent calamity, has so largely participated,) in alleviating the distresses which have since fallen on our Parent Land.

“ With a shock so severe as this, the Commercial affairs of the Colony, as well as the feelings of a loyal and dutiful Population, could not but deeply sympathize. But the crisis has reacted upon this Province with particular force, from the inordinate extent, and rate, at which some of her enterprizes have been carried on, and from other disadvantageous circumstances resulting from those speculations which were of an improvident character.

“ Whilst I sincerely feel for those individuals who may thus have been brought into difficulty, it is quite consistent with the view I have ever taken of what constitute the real, solid interests of the Province, to look, without doubt or apprehension, to the ultimate effects of those corrections which, it was distinct to me, would unavoidably apply themselves to a branch of business under such undue excitement ; and which, perhaps, was proceeding to break with complicated severity, had the crisis not been accelerated by the sudden stagnations at home.

“ I console my solicitude for the Public welfare, then, with well-grounded assurances that the reductions which late events enforce in the extent and terms of that business, will powerfully support what I have invariably stated to you and to the Country ; and that those pursuits, when brought within our own inherent means of execution ; conducted with a judicious observance of these practical admonitions which may be gathered from passing events ; and adjusted to a proper degree of keeping with, and not paralyzing, the other great branches of our well-being, may, altogether, be made to establish a condition of industry, and a healthful state of Trade, which may be pursued with security and reasonable profit, and by which the real, substantial, general interests of the country may best be promoted.

“ The depression in commercial affairs which has so generally prevailed, and other causes which will be explained, have rendered the Revenue less productive than might have been expected. But I am happy to acquaint you, that it is only when compared with the unprecedented amount of the former year that this difference is very material ; and that this diminution arises chiefly from a remission of duties on some articles of importation. The state of the Provincial Finances is, upon the whole, such as to afford grounds for much congratulation, when we consider the very unpropitious character of the

the period which they embrace ; and I have further to congratulate you on the encouraging prospects, for extending the Trade and promoting the Fisheries of the Province, which present themselves from some late regulations in our inter-Colonial Trade.

“ The operations of the Parliamentary Act, granting the privilege with His Majesty’s Colonial Possessions, to such Foreign Nations as should place the Commerce and Navigation of Great Britain, and her Possessions abroad, upon the footing of the most favoured Nations, was postponed beyond the period stated in that enactment, for the purpose of affording Foreign Nations ample time to consider whether they would conform to the conditions contained in the British Acts.

“ That interval having long passed, without producing the adoption of measures necessary to place the Trade and Commerce of Great Britain with the United States, on the tendered terms of reciprocity, His Majesty’s Government, though resorting with great reluctance to any measure by which the freedom of Commerce with Foreign Countries might be restricted, could no longer delay enforcing the provisions of the British Acts ; and an Order in Council has accordingly been issued, closing the Ports of all our West India Possessions, and the Island of Newfoundland, against the shipping of the United States, but continuing to them the privilege of trading in their own vessels with the Ports of His Majesty’s Possessions on the Continent of North America.

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

“ I shall direct the Treasurer’s Accounts to be laid before you ; and I am happy to acquaint you, that, notwithstanding the unfavourable circumstances of the past year, the state of the Treasury is such as to enable you to make the usual provision for the Ordinary Services of the Province ; and likewise to provide for other important objects to which your liberality has already been extended.

“ *Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty’s Council ;*

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

“ I did not fail to transmit to His Majesty’s Secretary of State, to be laid before His Majesty, your Loyal and dutiful joint Address, on the attempts which had been recently made by certain American Land Agents, to disturb the Possession of His Majesty, and the jurisdiction of this Province, in certain tracts of the Country. His Majesty, with that gracious attention and regard to the rights and interests of His North American Dominions, for which they have so much reason to be grateful, received your Address most graciously, and directed that important document to be transmitted to His Majesty’s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, for further consideration.

“ Together with explanations given in reply to the representations made by His Majesty’s Minister Plenipotentiary, against those encroachments, very satisfactory assurances have been conveyed to His Majesty’s Government, that it is the earnest wish of the Government of the United States to reciprocate the conciliatory disposition and procedure observed on the part of the British Government ; and that the American Secretary of State had been directed by the President to inculcate on the Governments of the adjoining States, the observance of a like course of conciliation and forbearance ; and to be careful to do no act which might change the state of the question, as it existed when the Treaty of Ghent was executed. The communication
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further states, that respectful regard would be paid to the observances thus inculcated, and that no steps are in contemplation which can in any degree tend to produce further excitement.

“ Reviewing the past year, with all the devout sentiments and grateful feelings which are most due, when we carry that retrospect into the awful occurrences of the preceding period, and reflect upon the interpositions of Divine Mercy which we then experienced; considering, too, the profound state of suffering which has existed at home, the People of New-Brunswick have much reason to be thankful. The traces of the dreadful conflagration are rapidly disappearing; and the sturdy industry of our people, quickened and supported by the means which have been so generally contributed to their relief, and which your liberality has considerably augmented, have, in general, placed improved establishments on the sites of those which had been consumed; a season particularly auspicious has favoured the labours of the People; and, in most parts of the Province, has blessed their Agricultural Industry, with abundant returns.

“ The circumstances of the Country in its internal capacities, were highly susceptible of being made to take up all the hands disengaged from other pursuits, by the commercial embarrassments which I have stated; and in this transition, though sudden and severe, no individual distress, or want, have necessarily arisen among the labouring classes. In proportion as stagnations in external transactions recoiled upon the Province, I applied, with increasing effect, to the public works, means which had been placed at my disposal in the late Session, as well as those which I had reserved from former times, when they could not have been laid out with due care and circumspection.

“ By these, and other arrangements, which fortunately I have been enabled to make, I have kept all the Public Works and Institutions, the Public Buildings which had been undertaken, and other objects for the general improvement of the Country, in full and very effectual activity, notwithstanding certain highly disadvantageous circumstances, respecting the state of Cash payments into the Treasury, which I recommend you to consider.

“ I am happy to acquaint you, that a spirit of improvement in Agriculture continues to manifest itself in all parts of the Province, and that great advantages in modes of cultivation, increased production, and improvement in the breed of Cattle, have already been produced by those Institutions which you have enabled me to form: and I have further the satisfaction to acquaint you, that the measure of uniting the Emigrant and Agricultural Societies according to the constitution which has been given to them, has been found to produce very beneficial combinations in the settlement and cultivation of the Province in all the Districts in which those measures have been tried; and that a system has thus been matured, which will be eminently serviceable to the Province, should the proposed system of Emigration from the Mother Country, be directed in any extent, and with the means and facilities which have been recommended, to settle and cultivate the ungranted Lands of a Province, in the extent of whose local capacities, and in the industry and stedfast Loyalty of whose Population, the foundations and principles are firmly laid, of what is fast rising to be one of the most valuable Colonies of the British Empire.

“ The Colonial Trade on its present footing, promises to be so highly beneficial to the British North American Fisheries, generally, that the industry of this Province, encouraged to active participation in those benefits, and stimulated by the Bounties you so liberally award, will herereafter exert itself with

fair prospects of profit, and consequently with more enterprize, in cultivating this rich branch of your natural resources: and I shall promote, by all means and appliances in my power, a branch of Industry so appropriate and beneficial to this Maritime Province, and so congenial with the Power and Policy of the Great Naval Empire to which she belongs.

“ To the establishment and advancement of all Institutions of Education and Learning, I shall ever devote my best exertions, and show the warm interest I take in their well-doing; and I recommend all such Institutions to that continued liberality, without which those exertions were unavailing.

“ I have had under my consideration some further measures for improving our Militia system, in conformity with the provisions of the Militia Law; and am well satisfied with the progress making in the various important objects for which that Law provides. It will, however, require revision, and some amendments, which I recommend you to consider.

“ The Public Roads, in the laying out and management of which, much care, circumspection and system were required, have proceeded with evident improvement, and to a very considerable extent; and all grants for like purposes shall be laid out with similar safeguards.

“ To these, and all other objects of Public utility, which I have heretofore recommended to you, I request your continued protection and liberality.

“ When first I met the Legislature of the Province, I considered it indispensable to enumerate all those objects and Institutions, fully and specially, because I wished to lay before you the result of that full consideration which, to the best of my powers, I had devoted to your general affairs; so to develope, clearly and distinctly, the course which I should recommend, and, for myself, adopt, as that which, if steadily followed, would, I distinctly saw, lead this Province, through some menacing difficulties which did not appear to me to be sufficiently marked, to that high degree of solid condition and real prosperity, to which she may, most certainly, attain. With those views you have concurred; with that course of policy you have conformed; you have wisely and liberally provided for, and supported the measures which to this great end I have laid before you; and whenever it may appear to me to be necessary to present for your consideration, any details which might tend to promote, more effectually, these objects, I shall communicate with you by Special Message: but I need not here recapitulate, generally, views in the expediency of which you have acquiesced, nor dwell upon measures whose progress towards accomplishment you have already signaled in the improving condition of the Country.”

On motion of *Mr. C. Simonds*, Resolved, that a Committee of Trade be appointed, to take into consideration all matters which may effect the Commercial Interests of this Province, and to report thereon from time to time to the House.

Ordered, that *Mr. C. Simonds*, *Mr. Johnston*, *Mr. Slason*, *Mr. Parker*, and *Mr. Crane*, be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion of *Mr. C. Simonds*, Resolved that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in answer to his Speech.

Ordered, that *Mr. C. Simonds*, *Mr. M'Kay*, *Mr. Allen*, and *Mr. Parker*, be a Committee to prepare the Address.

Mr. Allen moved for leave to bring in a Bill to explain an Act, to empower the Justices of the General Sessions of the Peace in the several Counties in this

Province, to grant Licences to Tavern-Keepers, and Retailers of Spirituous Liquors, and also an Act for the better regulation of Licences to Inns, Taverns and Houses for selling strong Liquors by retail.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Parker* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to prevent unnecessary delay and expense in proceeding against Persons having privilege of the General Assembly.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Parker* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the registering of Judgments and Recognizances, which are intended to bind or affect Real Estates.

Leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Smith*, Ordered, that the Journals of this House, be daily (or as soon as a Copy of the same can be prepared by the Clerk) printed, and that the Printer do furnish one hundred copies thereof for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. *Allen*, Ordered, that one hundred copies of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech be printed for the use of the Legislature.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY 9th FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, Ordered, that a Committee be appointed, to examine what Laws have expired since the last Session, and now near expiring, and report thereon to the House.

And further Ordered, that Mr. *Parker*, Mr. *Smith*, and Mr. *Wetmore*, be a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. *Parker* pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to prevent unnecessary delay and expence in proceeding against persons having privilege of the General Assembly.

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. *M^cKay*, Ordered that no Petition be received, or Bill brought in after the second day of March next, except by special leave of the House.

Read a second time, a Bill to prevent unnecessary delay and expence in proceeding against persons having privilege of the General Assembly.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary Odell delivered the following Messages:—

“NEW-BRUNSWICK.

“MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

“FEBRUARY 9TH, 1827.

“HOWARD DOUGLAS.

“The Lieutenant-Governor acquaints the House of Assembly, that he transmitted to the Secretary of State, for the consideration of His Majesty's Government, a copy of the Resolution of the House of Assembly, made in the last Session, on the subject of the Customs Salaries. This subject has been under

under the consideration of His Majesty's Government, and the Lieutenant-Governor is in expectation of being enabled to make a satisfactory communication, either in this, or the next Session of the Legislature.

“ H. D.”

“ NEW-BRUNSWICK.

“ MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

“ FEBRUARY 9TH, 1827.

“ HOWARD DOUGLAS.

“ The Lieutenant-Governor acquaints the House of Assembly, that he did not fail to recommend to His Majesty's Government, the cancelling of the Bonds which had been taken for Licences to cut Timber on the Crown Reserves, as stated in the Address of the House in the last Session; and has the satisfaction to acquaint the House that he has been duly authorized to comply with the Address of the House of Assembly, by cancelling the Bonds in question, and assures the House that this shall be done forthwith.”

“ H. D.”

Mr. Secretary *Odell* also by command of His Excellency, laid before the House, the Treasurer's Accounts for the last year.

And then Mr. Secretary *Odell* withdrew.

Mr. *Smith*, by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas Woods, of the Parish of Borsford, in the County of Westmorland, accompanied by a certificate from the Trustees of Schools for the said Parish, praying that the sum of £20 may be granted him for teaching a School at Cape Tormentine District, for one year.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from John M'Ewan, of the Parish of Newcastle, in the County of Northumberland, praying to be remunerated for rebuilding a bridge over Mill-Brook, in the said Parish, which bridge was destroyed by fire on the 7th October, 1825.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Parker* pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to provide for the registering of Judgments and Recognizances which are intended to bind or affect Real Estates.

Which was read a first time.

Ordered, that Mr. *Johnston*, Mr. *Smith*, and Mr. *Slason*, be a Committee to examine the Treasurer's Accounts, and report thereon to the House.

Mr. *M. Wilmot* by leave presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of the Parishes of Dorchester and Sackville, in the County of Westmorland, praying that the North-eastern parts of the said Parishes may be erected into a separate Town or Parish.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *M. Wilmot*, moved for leave to bring in a Bill to erect the North-eastern parts of the Townships of Dorchester, and Sackville, in the County of Westmorland, into a distinct Town or Parish.

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr.

M. C. *Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Justices of the Peace in and for the City and County of Saint John, accompanied by two Accounts for the last year, praying that the Overseers of the Poor, for the Parish of Portland, may be remunerated for expences incurred in the years 1824, 1825 and 1826, for support of Transient Poor and Black Refugees in the said Parish.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition with the Accounts, be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Parker*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Justices of the Peace, in and for the City and County of St. John, accompanied by several Accounts, praying to be remunerated for expences incurred for the support of Transient Poor in the said City, during the years 1824, 1825, and 1826.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition, with the Accounts, be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from John Kinnear, of the City of Saint John, praying that the sum of £ 70, being the amount of duty twice paid on Rum, imported into this Province, may be refunded.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Campbell* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to render and make valid, certain Marriages, heretofore solemnized before Magistrates and other Lay persons.

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. *Allen*, by leave, presented a Petition from Charles S. Putnam, Esq. praying that provision may be made for him in his office, as Clerk of the Crown in the Supreme Court.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Crane*, by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas Estabrooks, praying to be remunerated for work done on the Great Road leading to Nova Scotia, under and by direction of the late Benjamin Wilson Esquire, a Supervisor of that Road.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Johnston* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to exclude ignorant and unskilful Persons from the practice of Physic and Surgery," and to make more effectual Provision for the same.

Leave granted.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Read a second time, a Bill to provide for the registering of Judgments and Recognizances, which are intended to bind or affect Real Estates.

Ordered

Ordered that the said Bill be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Thursday next.

Mr. Parker from the Committee appointed to examine what Laws have expired, or near expiring, made the following Report :

Which he read in his place :—

“An Act to maintain an armed Cutter for the protection of the Revenue of the Province.” Passed the 7th March, 1825, will expire on the 31st day of March next.

“An Act to authorize the Justices of the County of Northumberland to regulate the grazing and depasturing of certain tracts of Land within that County.” Passed the 7th March, 1826, will expire on the 7th March next.

“An Act for the better examining and auditing the Public Accounts of this Province.” Passed the 17th March, 1825, will expire on the 31st March next.

“An Act to regulate the Herring Fisheries in the Parishes of West-Isle, Campo-Bello, Pennfield, and St. George, in the County of Charlotte.” Passed the 24th March, 1819.

And also, an Act, in addition thereto. Passed the 21st March, 1821; which Acts were continued by Act 5 Geo. 4, c. 2, will expire at the end of the present Session.

“An Act for raising a Revenue in this Province.” Passed 21st March, 1822.

Also, “An Act to continue and amend an Act intituled “An Act for raising a Revenue in this Province.” Passed 11th March, 1824.

Also, An Act to continue and revise the Revenue Laws of the Province.” Passed the 7th March, 1826.

Also, “An Act to impose a duty on Horses imported into this Province, and for other purposes.” Passed the 7th March, 1826, will expire on the 1st April next.

“An Act for regulating the inspection of Fish, to be consumed within the Province.” Passed 27th March, 1823, will expire at the end of the present Session.

“An Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of Saint Andrews.” Passed 20th March, 1820, and continued by Act 4 Geo. 4, c. 15, will expire at the end of the present Session.

“An Act to provide for calling in the Arms issued to the Militia of this Province.” Passed 27th March, 1823, will expire at the end of the present Session.

“An Act to provide for, and encourage the settlement of Emigrants in this Province.” Passed 29th March, 1820, and continued by Act 3 Geo. 4, c. 10, will expire at the end of the present Session.

“An Act for the better extinguishing Fires which may happen in the Towns of Fredericton and Saint Andrews.” Passed the 20th March, 1821, will expire at the end of the present Session.

“An Act for the preservation of the red and fallow Deer.” Passed the 20th March, 1821, will expire at the end of the present Session.

“An Act to provide for the Services of the Speaker of the House of Assembly, and for defraying the expences and travelling charges of the Members of

the said House, attending in General Assembly." Passed 20th March, 1821, will expire at the end present Session.

The Report being again read at the Clerk's Table,

Ordered that it be received and lie on the Table.

Read a second time, a Bill to erect the North-eastern parts of the Townships of Dorchester and Sackville, in the County of Westmorland, into a distinct Town or Parish.

Ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented several Petitions from Gilmour, Rankin, and Co., Wm. Abrams, and Co., Salter, Robson, and Salter, and Gilbert Henderson, Merchants of Miramichi, praying for remission of Duties on Articles consumed by fire, on the 7th October, 1825 : Also, a Petition from Thomas C. Allen, Merchant, of Miramichi, praying for remission of Duties on articles consumed by fire on the 7th October, 1825, and 4th July, 1826 : And a Petition from Ledden and Abbot, Merchants of Miramichi, praying for remission of duties on articles consumed by Fire, on the 10th December, 1826 : and having read the said Petitions severally in his place,

Ordered that they be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Johnston*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for ascertaining Damages on Protested Bills of Exchange."

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from Archibald McQueen, formerly Master of the Grammar School in the County of Northumberland, praying to be reimbursed the expence of building the Grammar School House, in the said County, and also, to be paid a half years' Salary, due to him as Teacher of the said School, and which he was not able to obtain in consequence of the title not being vested in the Trustees.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Doze*, by leave, presented a Petition from Nicholas Cunliffe, of the Parish of Woodstock, in the County of York, praying for a Premium on Agricultural improvement in addition to that allowed under and by virtue of the Acts of the General Assembly, now in force for granting Bounties on Grain raised on new Land.

Which he read in his place.

And upon the question that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply, the House divided, and it was carried in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. *C. Simonds*, Resolved, that a select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon all questions which may arise, and which may be supposed to affect the privileges of the House.

Ordered, that Mr. *C. Simonds*, Mr. *M. Kzy*, Mr. *Wetmore*, Mr. *Parkery*, and Mr. *Johnston*, be a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. *Speaker* laid before the House a Report from the Committee of Correspondence, stating that during the recess they had been in correspondence with the Agents for the Province, for the purpose of obtaining information upon subjects of great importance to this Colony ; and that they had received in reply, a Letter from them, accompanied by Documents of an interesting nature.

Ordered,

Ordered, that the Report, with the Letter and Documents referred to, lie on the Table for the information of the House.

Mr. *Johnston*, pursuant to leave brought in a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to exclude ignorant and unskillful Persons from the practice of Physic and Surgery," and to make more effectual Provision for the same.

Which was read a first time.

Read a second time, a Bill to render and make valid certain Marriages heretofore solemnized before Magistrates and other Lay persons.

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole House on Tuesday next.

Read a second time, a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for ascertaining damages on Protested Bills of Exchange."

Mr. *Campbell*, by leave, presented a Petition from Cadwallader Curry, of Campo-Bello, in the County of Charlotte, Merchant, praying that the drawback on 55 puncheons of Rum, exported to the United States, in the year 1821, amounting to £250, may be granted to him.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned until Monday morning next, at 10 o'clock.

MONDAY 12th FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *C. Simonds*, Chairman of the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in answer to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech, at the opening of the Session, Reported that they had prepared a draft thereof; which he read, and it being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read:

And on motion of Mr. *C. Simonds*, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, in consideration of the said Address.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the draft of the Address reported by the Select Committee, and had agreed to the same, with an amendment.

The Address, as amended, being read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as follows:

To His Excellency Major-General Sir HOWARD DOUGLAS, *Baronet*, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Province of New-Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

May it please your Excellency,

THE Speech which your Excellency was pleased to make at the opening of this, the last Session of the present Legislature, demands the cordial thanks of the House of Assembly, and will have the effect of powerfully exciting their best exertions in advancing the Public Interests.

The House of Assembly, in common with the Loyal People of New-Brunswick,

Brunswick, with the most painful feelings of commiseration, heard of the sufferings which fell so heavily upon the Commercial and Manufacturing Districts of our Parent State; Sufferings which have been borne with the most persevering fortitude, resulting from unshaken loyalty and affection to our most Gracious Sovereign, and the unrivalled Constitution by which they are Governed: It is however a source of consolation to us, that those sufferings have been greatly alleviated by the Royal munificence, and the characteristic liberality of our fellow subjects at Home, to whom this Province, in her recent calamities, was also so deeply indebted.

“The intimate connexion between this Province and the Parent State, caused the late commercial embarrassments to be severely felt here; but it must at the same time be admitted, that a great measure of our distress has been produced by the same causes which so greatly contributed to the sufferings at Home, namely, excessive speculations in Trade; Speculations far beyond what the Commercial capital of the Province could, under ordinary circumstances, have warranted; the pernicious consequences of which, will no doubt have a salutary effect in correcting our future enterprizes, and in pointing to the propriety of depending more upon the natural resources of the Country.

“The House were, from the Commercial embarrassments of the Country, prepared to hear of deficiencies in the Revenue compared with several preceding years: They have great satisfaction in learning from your Excellency, that the decrease is not so great as might have been expected from the operation of causes not within the controul of this Province, and that a great part of it, is owing to a remission of duties upon certain articles of import.

“The recent measures which have been adopted by His Majesty’s Government for regulating the Trade to the West India Colonies, will, if persevered in, soon restore the Commerce of this Province to a state of prosperity equal to that of any former period, and will give an immediate excitement to several branches of Industry, and especially to our Fisheries, to the prosecution of which, we may safely direct the energies of a portion of our population, with certainty of ultimate benefit.

“We thank your Excellency for directing the Treasurer’s Accounts to be laid before us, and we have great pleasure in the assurance, that the state of the Treasury will enable us to provide for the Ordinary Services of the Province, and other important objects.

“The information conveyed to us by your Excellency upon the several subjects which gave rise to the joint Address of both branches of the Legislature to His Majesty, at the last Session, is of the most gratifying nature; and we beg leave to express to your Excellency, our full and firm reliance, that His Majesty’s Government will not compromise the just and undoubted rights of this Province; and we take this opportunity to convey to your Excellency, the high sense which we entertain of the eminent services which your Excellency has rendered to this Colony, in placing this long disputed question of Boundaty in its true light, a question which had hitherto not been much investigated, or understood, even in this Province, where the highly important nature of the disputed points had been generally overlooked.

“Comparing the past with the present, we feel deeply, that we have most abundant cause to be thankful to the Giver of All Good, for his merciful interpositions: The labours of the Agriculturist have been so generally successful, that

that our Land is filled with plenty ; the traces of recent calamities are fast disappearing, and the condition of the Country evidently improving.

“ We are rejoiced to learn that the application of the Grants placed in the hands of your Excellency, for the construction of various Public Works, has, to the fullest extent, been productive of the desired and intended effects, and that such of the labouring classes as would have been destitute of the means of support, by the unprecedented depression of our Commerce, have found steady employment upon these works.

“ The House are fully aware of the necessity of preserving Public Credit, and it is to be regretted that any disadvantageous circumstances should have existed, in the payments into the Treasury : This subject shall have our diligent attention.

“ The spirit of Agricultural improvement which begins to manifest itself throughout the Province, is in a great measure to be attributed to the formation of Agricultural Societies ; and the union of those, with the Emigrant Societies, has been attended with very beneficial effects in many parts of the Province : To your Excellency, as the founder, and Patron of these Societies, this Province will ever feel most deeply indebted ; and we doubt not, that by following those measures which your Excellency, on first meeting the Legislature of this Province, pointed out with almost Prophetic certainty, as necessary to be followed, this Province will rapidly rise in importance, and comparative rank with the other British Colonies.

“ That the advancement of Literature is a real blessing to mankind, cannot be doubted, the miseries consequent upon the neglect of this most important object, are sufficiently manifested in the present condition of certain parts of Europe : we will continue to give every encouragement to our Institutions of Education, which their high importance demands.

“ The Militia system shall also have our careful consideration.

“ The measures which have been adopted for the improvement of the Public Roads are highly satisfactory : This great object, as well as all others of Public utility, shall have our continued protection.

“ In supporting the several measures recommended by your Excellency, when you first met the Legislature of this Province, the House indulged the hope that they were promoting the best interests of the Colony ; that hope has now ripened into certainty ; and we are sanguine in believing, that those measures, if steadily pursued, will ultimately lead us through all the difficulties which have fallen upon us, by the recent stagnation of Commerce.

Such objects as your Excellency may be pleased to recommend from time to time, by Special message, shall have our early and distinct attention.”

Thereupon, Resolved unanimously, that the Address be engrossed, signed by the *Speaker*, and presented to His Excellency by the whole House.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Commissioners for the Sick and Disabled Seamen fund at Miramichi, praying that the sum of £311 may be granted from the Province Treasury, to enable them to pay the Accounts remaining unsettled from the 10th day of April, 1826, to the 31st day of December, in the same year.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House according to the order of the day went into Committee of the whole, on a Bill to erect the North-eastern parts of the Townships of Dorchester and Sackville, in the County Westmorland, into a distinct Town or Parish.

Mr. *R. Simonds* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Simonds*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with an amendment.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

Mr. *Allen* moved for leave to bring in a Bill in amendment of an Act, passed in the thirty-second year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs."

Leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, in consideration of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech at the opening of the Session.

Mr. *M^cKay* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *M^cKay* from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of His Excellency's Speech, and that he was directed to report that the Committee had passed three Resolutions, which he read, and delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again severally read, and agreed to by the House, and are as follow :

1st, Resolved, that such part of His Excellency's Speech as relates to the Cash payments into the Treasury, be referred to the Committee of Trade, to report thereon by Bill or otherwise.

2d, That the Law now in force for the organization and regulation of the Militia of this Province, be referred to a Select Committee to revise and amend.

3d, That a Committee be appointed, consisting of a Member from each County, to enquire and ascertain what monies may be necessary for the further improvement of all the communications through the Country, and opening Roads to new Settlements.

And Mr. *M^cKay* further reported that he was directed by the Committee to ask for leave to sit again.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from Elizabeth Tilton, praying for further pecuniary Legislative aid.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Read a second time, a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to exclude ignorant and unskillful Persons from the practice of Physic and Surgery," and to make more effectual provision for the same.

Mr. *J. Wilnot*, by leave, presented a Petition from Wm. Chipman, of the Province of Nova Scotia, praying for drawback on Rum, Sugar and Molasses, exported to Nova Scotia, and the United States, in 1819, and which was not endorsed on a Bond entered by the Petitioner and one John M^cLeod, to secure the duties at the time of importation.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered,

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *M'Kay*, by leave, presented a Petition from James and John Chaffey, of the County of Charlotte, Merchants, praying for drawback on two puncheons of Rum, exported to the United States in 1823.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Crane*, by leave, presented a Petition from Malcolm M'Eachran, of Dorchester, in the County of Westmorland, praying to be compensated for work done on the Shediac road, in 1821, and 1822, by direction of the late Benjamin Wilson, Esq. the then Supervisor for the said road.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from John Fraser, Esq. and others, praying for aid to assist in rebuilding the Presbyterian Church at Newcastle, in the County of Northumberland, the former one being destroyed by fire of 7th October, 1825.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. *M'Kay*, Ordered, that a Committee, to consist of a Member from each County, be appointed to take into consideration what sums may be necessary for the improvement of all the communications throughout the Province, and for opening Roads to new Settlements.

And further Ordered, that Mr. *M'Kay*, Mr. *Allen*, Mr. *C. Simonds*, Mr. *Wetmore*, Mr. *Smith*, Mr. *R. Simonds*, Mr. *Scovil*, and Mr. *Miles*, be a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from Charles Mills, of Miramichi, praying for remission of duties on articles destroyed by the fire of 7th October, 1825, and for extention of credit on a Bond, given for duties, yet remaining due.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 13th FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Freeholders and Inhabitants of Richibucto, in the County of Northumberland, praying for an Act to pass, regulating the Bass Fishery in the River Richibucto, and its branches.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

According to the order of the day, The House went into Committee of the whole, on a Bill to provide for the registering of Judgments and Recognizances, which are intended to bind or affect Real Estates.

Mr.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith* from the Committee Reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted, and the bill as amended engrossed.

Mr. *McKay*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to know when His Excellency would be pleased to receive the House with their Address, in answer to His Speech at the opening of the Session; Reported, that they had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would receive the House with their Address, at his residence, this afternoon at three o'clock.

The House having waited upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with their Address, in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session: And being returned: Mr. *Speaker* reported, that His Excellency was pleased to make the following Reply thereto:—

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

“ I HAVE the greatest degree of satisfaction in receiving this Address.

“ Your steady support of the measures which I recommended to you when I first met the Legislature, and the assurances you now give me, that the hopes then expressed have ripened into certainty, afford me infinite pleasure, and in pursuing, with affectionate solicitude for the public welfare, the course I have hitherto taken, I shall continue to rely on the cordial and liberal aid of the House of Assembly.”

Mr. *Crane* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act, intituled “ An Act for the encouragement of Parish Schools in this Province.”

Leave granted.

Mr. *Campbell* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to continue an Act, intituled “ An Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of Saint Andrews.”

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. *Parker*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, praying that a sum of money may be specifically appropriated out of the Grant for the Great Road leading from the said City to Westmorland, by the Marsh, for widening the said Road.

Which he read in his place,

And upon the question that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads,

The House divided, and it was carried in the affirmative.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Commissioners of Highways for the Parish of Newcastle, praying for aid towards re-building a bridge at Mill Cove, which Bridge was destroyed by fire on the 7th October, 1825.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Ordered, that the order of the day for going into Committee of the whole House

House on a Bill, to render and make valid certain Marriages heretofore solemnized before Magistrates and other Lay persons, be discharged,

And further Ordered, that the House do go into Committee on the said Bill to-morrow.

Mr. *Allen* by leave, presented a Petition from the Settlers of the lower Caverhill Settlement, in the Parish of Queensbury, in the County of York, praying that a sum of money may be granted towards finishing a Road to that Settlement.

Which he read in his place.

And upon the question being put, that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

The House divided, and it was carried in the negative.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

According to the order of the day, The House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill, to render and make valid, certain Marriages, heretofore solemnized before Magistrates and other Lay persons.

Mr. *J. Wilmot* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *J. Wilmot* from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and leave granted.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, moved for leave to bring in a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to authorize the Justices of Northumberland to regulate the grazing and depasturing of certain tracts of Land within that County."

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. *C. Simonds*, moved for leave to bring in a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to maintain an armed Cutter for the protection of the Revenue of the Province."

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. *Crane* pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Parish Schools in this Province."

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Slason* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for regulating the inspection of Fish, to be consumed within the Province."

Leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *M. Wilmot*, the House went into Committee of the whole; on the re-commitment of a Bill to erect the North-eastern parts of the Townships of Dorchester and Sackville, in the County Westmorland, into a distinct Town or Parish.

Mr. *R. Simonds* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Simonds* from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration

deration of the bill referred to them, and made further amendments thereto, and had agreed to the same, under the title of "a Bill to erect the North-eastern part of the County of Westmorland, into a distinct Town or Parish, and also, to authorize the appointment of Parish Officers, at the November General Sessions in each year."

Ordered, that the Report be accepted, and the bill engrossed, under the title as amended.

Mr. *Crane*, by leave, presented a Petition from Benjamin Charters, of Dorchester, in the County of Westmorland, praying that the sum of £46:17:6 may be granted him; it being a balance stated in an Account accompanying the Petition, to be due him for building a bridge over Memramkook River, in the said County.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Scott* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to encourage the destruction of Bears in this Province.

Leave granted.

Ordered, that the Bill to prevent unnecessary delay and expence in proceeding against persons having privilege of the General Assembly, be referred to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Ordered, that the Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for ascertaining damages on Protested Bills of Exchange," be referred to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Read a second time, a Bill to continue "An Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of Saint Andrews."

Ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Mr. *Wetmore* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for calling in the Arms issued to the Militia of this Province."

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in was read a first time.

Mr. *Campbell* moved for leave to bring in a Bill for appointing Firewards in the Town of Saint Andrews, and ascertaining their power and duty, and more effectually to prevent Fires in the said Town.

Leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to revise and amend the Militia Law.

Ordered, that Mr. *Johnston*, Mr. *M'Kay*, Mr. *Allen*, and Mr. *Scott*, be a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, moved for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Bass Fishery in the River Richibucto, and its branches.

Leave granted.

Mr. *M'Kay* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Herring Fisheries in the Parishes of Grand Manan, West-Isles, Campo-Bello, Penfield, and Saint George, in the County of Charlotte, and to provide for the inspection of Smoked Herrings in the said Parishes.

Leave granted.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY

THURSDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to provide for the registering of Judgments and Recognizances which are intended to bind or affect Real Estates.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass, and Ordered that Mr. *Parker*, and Mr. *J. Wilmot*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a second time, a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Parish Schools in this Province."

Read a second time, a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to authorize the Justices of Northumberland, to regulate the grazing and depasturing of certain tracts of Land within that County."

Read a second time, a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to maintain an armed Cutter for the protection of the Revenue of the Province."

Ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole House on Thursday, the 22d instant.

Read a second time, a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for calling in the Arms, issued to the Militia of the Province."

Ordered, that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

The House, according to the order of the day, went into Committee of the whole, on a Bill to prevent unnecessary delay and expense in proceeding against Persons having privilege of the General Assembly.

Mr. *Crane* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Crane*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and had agreed to the same.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

The House according to the order of the day, went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for ascertaining damages on Protested Bills of Exchange."

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith* from the Committee Reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

Mr. *Slason* by leave presented a Petition from the Rector, Wardens and Vestry, of Christ Church, in the Parish of Fredericton, praying that an Act may pass authorizing their conveying a certain part of the Glebe of the said Parish, to the Honorable Thomas Baillie, in exchange for other Lands.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, The House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to exclude ignorant and unskilful Persons from the practice of Physic and Surgery," and to make more effectual provision for the same.

Mr. *J. Wilmot* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Wilmot* from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with an amendment.

Ordered, that the report be accepted, and the Bill as amended engrossed.

Mr. *Parker* moved for leave to bring in a Bill for the more easy assessment of damages in actions on Bonds, payable by instalments, and other similar instruments, and for the more convenient service of Writs of *scire facias*.

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to prevent unnecessary delay and expence in proceeding against persons having privilege of the General Assembly.

Resolved that the Bill do pass, and Ordered, that Mr. *Parker*, and Mr. *J. Wilmot*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

On motion of Mr. *R. Simonds*, the House went into Committee of the whole, on a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to authorize the Justices of Northumberland, to regulate the grazing and depasturing of certain tracts of Land within that County."

Mr. *Crane* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Crane* from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

Mr. *Crane* moved for leave to bring in a Bill, to alter and amend all the Laws now in force, relating to the establishment, regulation and improvement of the Great Roads through the Province, and to make more effectual provision for the same.

Leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of Saint Andrews."

Mr. *Wetmore* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Wetmore* from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

Mr. *M'Kay*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to regulate the Herring Fishery in the Parishes of Grand Manan, West-Isles, Campo-Bello, Pennfield, and Saint George, in the County of Charlotte, and to provide for the inspection of Smoked Herrings, in the said Parishes.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Allen* by leave, presented a Petition from Patrick Donally, a Licenced Schoolmaster, praying to be remunerated for teaching a School in the Parish of Kingsclear, in the County of York, from 1st August, 1822, to the month of July, 1823.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Scott*, pursuant to leave to brought in a Bill to encourage the destruction of Bears in this Province.

Which was read a first time.

Read

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to authorize the Justices of Northumberland, to regulate the grazing and depasturing of certain tracts of Land within that County."

Resolved, that the Bill do pass, and Ordered that Mr. *R. Simonds* and Mr. *Munro*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of Saint Andrews."

Resolved that the Bill do pass, and Ordered, that Mr. *Campbell* and Mr. *McKay*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from the principal Fishermen of Saint John, praying that an Act passed in the 60th year of the Reign of His late Majesty, to prevent the taking of Fish in the different Harbours of the Province, may be repealed.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *Johnston* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to prevent the taking of Fish in the different Harbours and Rivers of this Province with drift Nets."

Leave granted.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 16th FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to exclude ignorant and unskilful Persons from the practice of Physic and Surgery," and to make more effectual provision for the same.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered, that Mr. *Parker* and Mr. *Johnston*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a second time, the following Bills:—

A Bill to encourage the destruction of Bears in this Province.

A Bill for the more easy assessment of damages in actions on Bonds, payable by instalments, and other similar instruments, and for the more convenient service of Writs of *scire facias*.

And a Bill to regulate the Herring Fishery in the Parishes of West-Isles, Campo-Bello, Pennfield, and Saint George, in the County of Charlotte, and to provide for the inspection of Smoked Herrings, in the said County.

Mr. *Slason*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for regulating the inspection of Fish to be consumed within the Province."

Which was read a first and second time.

Ordered, that Mr. *Nevers* be added to the Committee on Public Roads, in the place of Mr. *Miles*, who is absent from indisposition.

According to the order of the day, The House went into Committee of the whole, on a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for calling in the Arms issued to the Militia of this Province."

Mr. *R. Simonds* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Simonds*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

Mr. *M-Kay* moved for leave to bring in a Bill for more effectually preventing the stealing or carrying away of Saw Logs in the Rivers Saint Croix, and Magaguadavic, within the County of Charlotte.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Nevers*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of a Settlement in the rear of the Parish of Burton, in the County of Sunbury, praying for further aid to assist in making a road thereto.

Which he read in his place.

And upon the question being put, that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

The House divided, YEAS, 8. NAYS, 9.

It was therefore carried in the negative.

On motion of Mr. *Crane*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Parish Schools in this Province."

Mr. *Vail* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Vail*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and leave granted.

Mr. *Johnston*, Chairman of the Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's Accounts, submitted the following Report,

Which he read in his place.

No. 1. Is the Province Treasurer's General Account with the Province, shewing a Balance in the Treasury in Bonds and Cash, on the 31st of December last, of	}	£33,912 : 15 : 2
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No. 2, Is a particular Account of the Duties on West India Produce, Wine, Gin, Brandy, &c. imported into St. John, between 1st of January, and 30th April, 1826, amounting to	}	3,813 : 0 : 0
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No. 3, Is a particular Account of Duties on West India produce, Wine, Gin, Brandy, &c. imported into St. John, between 1st May, and 30th December, 1826, amounting to	}	10,117 : 2 : 8
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No. 4, Is an Account of the Money paid to the Province Treasurer, by the Collector and Comptroller of the Customs at Saint John, for Duties collected by them in 1826, under the present Act of Parliament, amounting to	}	10,766 : 16 : 4
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This Account is not accompanied by any Statement from the Collector and Comptroller of the Duties collected by them, during the past year : And your Committee recommend that such Statement should be called for.

Carried forward,	£24,696 : 19 : 0	Brought
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Brought forward, £24,696 : 19 : 0

No. 5, Is an Account of the Light House }
 Duty collected at St. John, in 1826, amount- } £961 : 19 : 0
 ing to

From which deduct
 Keepers Salary, £150 : 0 : 0
 Supples furnished by }
 William Donald, } 237 : 19 : 2

£887 : 19 : 2 — 573 : 19 : 10

No. 6, Is the Account of Auction Duty collected }
 at St. John, in 1826, amounting to } 241 : 15 : 2

Amount of Revenue collected at Saint John,.....£25,512 : 14 : 0

No. 7, Is an Abstract of Receipts into, and Payments out of the Province Treasury, on Account of the Savings' Bank at Saint John, shewing a balance due to that Institution on the 1st January last; of £1576 : 1 : 3

No. 8, Is an Account of Drawbacks allowed and paid at the Province Treasury, in the year 1826, amounting to £1370 : 8 : 10

No. 9, Is an Account of Dutiable Articles cleared for exportation at St. John, for which Certificates have not yet been returned, amounting to £915 : 4 : 0

No. 10, Is the Account of contingent expences incurred at the Treasurer's Office, in 1826, amounting to £239 : 16 : 1

Two Accounts of John Chaloner, for }
 Gauging and Weighing Dutiable Articles, } £122 : 9 : 0
 Salary of Alexander Miller, Tide Waiter, 91 : 5 : 0
 Treasurer's Account for Stationary, Post- }
 tage, &c. } 26 : 2 : 1

£239 : 16 : 1

The whole of the Province Treasurer's Accounts are, as usual, correct.

No. 11, Is the Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer at Saint Andrews, with the Province Treasurer, shewing a balance in his hands in Bonds and Cash on the 31st December last, £4923 : 4 : 3

No. 12, Is a particular Account of Duties on West India Produce, Wine, Gin, Brandy, &c. secured at Saint Andrews, between the 1st January, and 30th April, 1826, amounting to } £450 : 6 : 4

No. 13, Is a further Account of the Duties on the same Articles, collected at Saint Andrews, between 1st May and 31st December, 1826, amounting to } £3,332 : 18 : 10

No. 14, Is an Account of the Collector and Comptroller of His Majesty's Customs at St. Andrews, of the Duties collected by them under the late Acts of Parliament, between the 5th October, 1825, and 5th January, 1826; and paid to the Deputy Treasurer there, amounting to } 40 : 10 : 0

Carried forward £3,823 : 15 : 2

Brought

Brought forward..... £883 : 15 : 9

No credit is given by the Treasurer for any money received from the Collector and Comptroller of His Majesty's Customs at St. Andrews, for duties collected at that Port in 1826, under the present Act of Parliament : A particular Statement of all Duties collected by them, during that period, your Committee recommend being called for.

No. 15. Is the account of Duties collected at St. Andrews on Cattle in 1825, amounting to	}	£80 : 0 : 0
No. 16, Is an Account of Seizures made in Charlotte County, between 31st Dec. 1825, and 31st Dec. 1826, the Provincial share of which is		334 : 10 : 0

Amount of Revenue collected at St. Andrews, in 1826,.....£4188 : 5 : 2

No. 17, Is an Account of Money paid on Merchandize, exported from Saint Andrews, between 1st January, and 31st December, 1826, amounting to

£538 : 15 : 11

No. 18, Is an Account of Dutiable Articles cleared for exportation at Saint Andrews, for which Certificates have not been returned, amounting to

£209 : 11 : 4

No. 19, Is D. W. Jack's Account for Gauging and Weighing at the Port of Saint Andrews, between 1st January and 31st December, 1826, amounting to

£34 : 12 : 6

No. 20, Is an Account of Interest paid on deposits from the Savings' Bank at Saint Andrews, between 1st January and 31st December, 1826, amounting to

£19 : 6 : 5

These Accounts are also correct.

No. 21, Is the Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer at West Isles for the year ending 31st December, 1825, shewing a balance in his hands in Bonds at that time of

£415 : 4 : 8

No. 22, Is a particular Account of Duties collected by the Deputy Treasurer at West Isles, in 1825, amounting to

£244 : 4 : 0

No. 23, Is the Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer at West Isles, for the year ending 31st December, 1826, shewing a balance in his hands in Bonds at that time, of

£637 : 8 : 7

No. 24, Is the particular Account of duties collected by the Deputy Treasurer at West Isles, in 1826, amounting to

£391 : 12 : 11

No. 25, Is the Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer at Miramichi with the Province Treasurer, shewing a balance in his hands in Bonds, on the 31st December, 1826, amounting to

£5628 : 6 : 6

No. 26, Is a particular account of the duties on West India Produce, Wine, Brandy, &c. &c. imported into Miramichi in 1826, amounting to

£4034 : 18 : 11

Annexed to this account is a statement of money paid by the Sub-Collector at Miramichi, to the Deputy Treasurer, for Duties collected under the Act of Parliament, amounting to

£599 : 11 : 6

He charges £1882 : 6 : 2, amount of Bonds sent to the Attorney-General for collection.

These Accounts are likewise correct.

No. 27, Is the Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer at Richibucto, showing a balance in his hands on the 31st Dec. 1826, in Cash and Bonds, amounting to £640 : 1 : 3

In this Account he gives credit for £122 : 0 : 1 received from the Sub-Collector of H. M. Customs of that Port, between the 5th July, and 31st December 1826, duties collected by him, under the Act of Parliament.

He also states, that Bonds to the amount of £823 : 18 : 8, had been sent by him to the Attorney-General, for collection.

No. 28, Is the particular Account of duties collected by the Deputy-Treasurer at Richibucto, in 1826, amounting to £526 : 12 : 11

No. 29, Is the Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer at Fredericton, shewing a balance in Bonds, in his hands, on the 1st January, 1827, amounting to £213 : 10 : 9

No. 30, Is an Account of Duties collected on Horses and Cattle at Fredericton, in 1826, amounting to £12 : 10 : 0

No. 31, Is an Account of money received by the Deputy Treasurer from the Sub-Collector at Woodstock, for Duties collected there, under the Act of Parliament, during the year 1826, amounting to £52 : 2 : 3

No. 32, Is an account of Auction Duty, paid by Asa Coy, of Fredericton, for Goods sold by him at Auction between 11th August, 1825, and 10th August, 1826, amounting to £2 : 1 : 0

All the above accounts are correct.

No. 33, Is an Abstract of the Warrants paid at the Province Treasury in the year 1826, amounting to £29015 : 2 : 1

The following is an Abstract of the Revenue raised at the undermentioned places in 1826, viz :

At Saint John,.....	£25512	: 14	: 0
Saint Andrews,.....	4188	: 5	: 2
West Isles,.....	891	: 12	: 11
Miramichi,.....	4604	: 10	: 5
Richibucto,	326	: 12	: 11
York,.....	66	: 13	: 8

£35,090 : 8 : 8

No returns from Westmorland, St. Peters, Shediac, or Restigouche.

All of which is respectfully submitted to this Honorable House.

HUGH JOHNSTON, Jun.

RUFUS SMITH.

JEDEDIAH SLASON.

The Report being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read, and Ordered to be accepted.

On motion of Mr. Parker, Resolved, that an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct particular Returns of all Duties collected at the several Custom-Houses, throughout this Province, by virtue of the late Act of Parliament during the last year, to be laid before the House; and that until such particular Returns can be furnished, an abstract of the gross amount collected at the several Ports, be laid before the House.

Ordered, that Mr. Parker, Mr. Johnston, and Mr. Crane, be a Committee to present His Excellency with the Address.

Mr. *Allen* pursuant, to leave, brought in a Bill to explain an Act, to empower the Justices of the General Sessions of the Peace in the several Counties in this Province, to grant Licences to Tavern Keepers, and Retailers of Spirituous Liquors, and also an Act for the better regulation of Licences to Inns, Taverns and Houses for selling strong Liquors by retail.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Slason*, by leave, presented a Petition from Richard Ketchum and Thomas Phillips, of Woodstock, in the County of York, praying that the sum of £100 granted in the year 1825, for finishing and securing the Meduxnieck Bridge, in the said Parish, may be re-appropriated and granted to them, they having completed the said Bridge.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Allen* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act against the profanation of the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday," and to make more effectual provision for the same.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Allen*, by leave, presented a Petition from James Morris, praying for a premium for erecting a Flour and Hulling Mill, at Lake George, in the County of York.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 17th FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to erect the North-eastern part of the County of Westmorland, into a distinct Town or Parish, and also, to authorize the appointment of Parish Officers, at the November General Sessions in each year.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered, that Mr. *M. Wilmot* and Mr. *Smith*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for calling in the Arms issued to the Militia of this Province."

Resolved that the Bill do pass, and Ordered, that Mr. *Wetmore* and Mr. *J. Wilmot*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. *M. Kay* pursuant to leave brought in a Bill for the more effectually preventing the stealing or carrying away of Saw Logs in the Rivers Saint Croix, and Magaguadavic, within the County of Charlotte.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Parker*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Address of the House, requesting a Return of the duties collected at the Custom-Houses, under the Act of Parliament,—Reported, that the Committee had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would immediately furnish the House with
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an Abstract of the amount of the said duties; and that a particular account should be laid before the House in the customary manner, as soon as the same can be prepared.

Mr. *Slason*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of Queensbury, in the County of York, praying that so much of the Act passed in the Third year of His Majesty's Reign, providing for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House, in the County of York, as relates to the said Parish of Queensbury, may be repealed.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill for the more easy assessment of damages in actions on Bonds, payable by instalments, and other similar instruments, and for the more convenient service of Writs of *scire facias*.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Odell* delivered the Message:—

“Mr. *Speaker*,

“I am commanded by His Excellency to lay before the House of Assembly, a Report from the Commissioners of Light Houses for the Province, accompanied with a Plan and Estimate for building Light Houses on Point Lepreau, in the County of Saint John, and on Point Escuminac, in the County of Northumberland:—Also, an Abstract of duties collected at the several Custom Houses throughout the Province, for the year ending 5th January, 1827, in compliance with the Address of this House. And also, returns from the Custom Houses at St. John, and Saint Andrews, of Imports and Exports, and the number of Ships and Vessels employed in the Trade, for the year 1826; and the number and tonnage of Ships and Vessels built within the same period.”

Mr. *Vail*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of the Parish of Hampton, in Kings County, praying that provision may be made for Surveying and marking out the Division lines between that County, and the Counties of Saint John and Westmorland.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. *Crane*, The House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to amend an Act, intituled “An Act for the further encouragement of Parish Schools in this Province.”

Mr. *Vail* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Vail*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with amendments.

Ordered, that the report be accepted, and the Bill, as amended, engrossed.

Mr. *Johnston*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to amend an Act, intituled

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“An Act to prevent the taking of Fish in the different Harbours and Rivers of this Province with drift Nets.”

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, Resolved, that the House do on Tuesday next, go into Committee of the whole in consideration of Ways and Means of raising a Revenue in this Province.

The House then adjourned until Monday morning next, at 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Slason*, by leave, presented a Petition from Anthony Lockwood, jun., setting forth, that he had, at great labour and expence, compiled and published a Map of this Province, more accurate than any heretofore published, (one of which Maps accompanies the Petition,) and praying that a sum of money may be granted to reimburse him for the great expence he has incurred in the execution of the work.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Vail*, by leave, presented a Petition from George Pitfield, jun., praying that the sum of £10 may be granted him, being a balance due for building a bridge on the Great Road near Samuel Morton's, in the Parish of Sussex, under and by direction of the late Benjamin Wilson, Esq., the Supervisor for that Road.

Which he read in his place,

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Read a second time, the following Bills:—

A Bill for the more effectually preventing the stealing or carrying away of Saw Logs in the Rivers St. Croix and Magaguadavic within the County of Charlotte.

A Bill to explain an Act, to empower the Justices of the General Sessions of the Peace in the several Counties in this Province to grant Licences to Tavern Keepers and Retailers of Spiritous Liquors; and also, an Act for the better regulation of Licences to Inns, Taverns, and Houses for selling strong Liquors by retail.

And a Bill to repeal an Act intituled “An Act to prevent the taking of Fish in the different Harbours and Rivers of this Province, with drift Nets.”

On motion of Mr. *Slason*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to continue an Act, intituled “An Act for regulating the inspection of Fish to be consumed within the Province.”

Mr. *Crane* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Crane*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

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Mr. *Smith*, Chairman of the standing Committee appointed to examine, liquidate and report on Public and Private Accounts, submitted the following Report, Which he read in his place.

A, Is the Account from the Commissioners for managing the Revenue Cutter Elizabeth, by which it appears that the expense of maintaining that Vessel, for the past year, has amounted to the sum of £1760 : 19 : 7½, the vouchers were produced by the Treasurer of the Province to the Committee appointed to examine his Accounts, and were satisfactory to them.

In reporting upon this Account, the Committee think it proper to observe, that they have some doubts as to the expediency of continuing to support a Cutter at so great an expense, as no information is furnished by the Commissioners of adequate benefit to the Revenue, and they recommend to the House, to consider whether the Revenue could not be more effectually protected by the employment of Boats, of a proper description, under the direction of a person competent to the duty.

B, Is an Account of the Commissioners for Light Houses, for expenses incurred by them in examining the South-east coast of Grand Manan, in order to ascertain the best site for a Light House, amounting to £27 : 8 : 2½. The requisite vouchers for this Account were forwarded last year by Captain Scott, and are now in some of the Public Offices, but the Committee do not know where to apply for them.

The Report being handed in at the Clerk's Table, and there again read, was Ordered to be accepted.

Mr. *Scott*, by leave, presented a Petition from Abraham Bass, and others, composing the Grand Jury at the General Sessions, held for the County of Westmorland, in November last, praying that a Bill may pass, giving power to Grand Juries of the different Counties, to inspect and examine the accounts of expenditures of County Rates and Assessments.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *Smith*, by leave, presented a Petition from John Morice, and others, Inhabitants of the County of Westmorland, praying that an Act may pass, authorizing the Grand Juries of the said County, at the respective Courts of General Sessions to be holden therein, to examine all Public Books, Vouchers and other Documents, relating to its internal welfare, receipts and expenditures.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *M. Wilmot*, by leave, presented a Petition from George W. H. Turner, and others, Inhabitants of the Parish of Hopewell, in the County of Westmorland, praying that an Act may pass, rendering it compulsory, that the Public Books, Vouchers, and other documents relating to the receipts and expenditures of the said County, be laid before the Grand Juries at the respective Courts of General Sessions, to be holden therein, for their inspection.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *Scott* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend an Act, intituled "An Act for assessing, collecting and levying County rates."

And upon the question for granting leave, the House divided, and it was carried in the affirmative.

Mr. *C. Simonds*, from the Committee appointed to take into consideration

all matters which may affect the Commercial Interests of this Province; submitted a Report, which he read in his place, and it being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read, and is as follows:

"That by an Abstract of Duties received by the several Collectors of the Customs in the Province; It appears that £18278 : 12 : 3½ has been collected between the 5th January 1826, and 5th January 1827, under the means and powers of the Act of 6 Geo. 4, c. 114, equal in the Currency of this Province, to the sum of £20309 : 11 : 5.

"By the Treasurer's Accounts, it appears that of the above sum of £20309 : 11 : 5, only £11613 : 13 : 8½ has been paid into the hands of the Treasurer and his Deputies, leaving still in the hands of the Collectors of the Customs, unaccounted for, the sum of £8695 : 17 : 8½.

"The Acts above referred to, directs that the produce of the Duties collected by the means, and under the powers thereof, "shall be paid by the Collectors of the Customs, into the hands of the Treasurer or Receiver General of the Colony, or proper Officer authorized to receive the same, in the Colony in which the same shall be levied, to be applied to such uses as shall be directed by the local Legislatures of such Colonies respectively."

"The Committee therefore recommend, that the House take immediate steps to ascertain by what authority the Collectors in this Province have been induced to retain so large a portion of the whole amount of duties collected by them as aforesaid.

"The above sum of £18278 : 12 : 3½ if collected upon the principle that the Spanish Dollar is equal in value to no more than 4s. 4d. sterling, would amount, in Currency, to £21090 : 18 : 4, and the sum unaccounted for, or retained by the Collectors, would be £9477 : 4 : 7½."

Ordered that the report be accepted and lie on the table.

Mr. *Speaker* laid before the House a Letter from the Province Agents, to the Committee of Correspondence, upon the subject of the appropriation of the Duties collected at the Custom Houses, under and by virtue of the late Acts of Parliament.

Ordered that the said Letter lie on the Table for the information of the House.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to prevent the taking of Fish in the different Harbours and Rivers of this Province with drift Nets."

Mr. *Allen* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Allen*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and that in the Committee it was moved, that the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed for three months.

And upon the question being put thereon,

The Committee divided equally, and that he had decided the question in the affirmative.

There being a Meeting of the Central Agricultural and Emigrant Society, The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this day.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and adjourned again until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 20th FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Johnston*, Chairman of the Committee appointed to examine the Treasurers Accounts, made a further Report, which he read in his place, and is as follows :

No. 34, Is the Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer at St. Peters, showing a balance in his hands on the 31st Dec. last, of £15 : 14 : 5.

He credits £46 : 1 : 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ received from the Sub-Collector at St. Peters for duties collected at that Port under the Act of Parliament, and charges a Commission of 10 per cent for receiving the same.

No. 35, Is a particular Account of the duties secured by the Deputy-Treasurer at St. Peters, amounting to £144 : 14 : 7

He states that the Tonnage Duty for the year 1826, amounted to £21 : 10 : 7, but does not give credit for any part of that sum in his Account Current.

No. 36, Is the Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer at Shediac, shewing a balance in his hands, on the 2d January, in Bonds and Cash, of £40 : 6 : 3

No. 37, Is a particular Account of the Duties collected at Shediac in 1826, amounting to £0 : 18 : 8

He credits £14 : 19 : 8, amount of tonage duty received in 1826, and charges £2 paid for Medical advice to a sick Seaman.

(Signed)

HUGH JOHNSTON, Jun.

RUFUS SMITH.

JEDEDIAH SLASON.

The Report being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read, and Ordered to be accepted.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, The House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to encourage the destruction of Bears in this Province.

Mr. *M'Kay* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *M'Kay*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

Mr. *Scott*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of the Parish of Hopewell, in the County of Westmorland, praying for aid to assist in providing for a Courier between New Horton and the Bend of Petticodiac.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *C. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from George Thompson, of the City of Saint John, Merchant and Ship owner, praying that an Act may pass, giving to him, for a term of years, the exclusive privilege of discharging vessels arriving in the Harbour of Saint John, of their ballast.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *M'Kay*, by leave, presented a Petition from Beverley Robinson, Esq., a Commissioner of Highways for the Parish of Saint Andrews, praying for aid towards repairing that part of the Great Road from Fredericton to Saint Andrews,

draws, between Bradferd's and Connick's, and for rebuilding the bridge over Stewart's Brook.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. *Robinson* delivered the following Message :

" Mr. *Speaker*,

" I am directed to inform this House, that the Council have agreed to the Bill to continue the Act to authorize the Justices of Northumberland to regulate the grazing and depasturing of certain tracts of Land within that County."

And that they have also agreed to

A Bill to continue an Act, intituled " An Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of Saint Andrews," with amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House."

And then Mr. *Robinson* withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, The House went into Committee of the whole, in further consideration of a Bill to render and make valid, certain Marriages heretofore solemnized before Magistrates and other Lay persons.

Mr. *J. Wilmot* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Wilmot*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments, under the title of a Bill " to render and make valid certain Marriages, heretofore solemnized in this Province."

Ordered, that the Report be accepted, and the Bill as amended, engrossed under the title as amended.

Mr. *McKay*, by leave, presented a Petition from James and John Chaffey, and others, Merchants and Ship Owners in the Parish of West-Isles and Campo-Bello, in the County of Charlotte, praying that the Office of Deputy Treasurer at West-Isles, may be continued, and that the Deputy Treasurer there may be empowered to take Bonds for Duties on articles entered at his Office.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from James Long and John Anderson, Commissioners of Highways for the Parish of Wellington, in the County of Northumberland, praying for aid towards improving the Road Cogne, to Buctouch.

And also, a Petition from John Wright and George Taylor, Commissioners of Highways for the Parish of Chatham, in the said County of Northumberland, praying for aid to assist in building a bridge over Black Brook.

And having read the said Petitions in his place,

Ordered that they be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Allen*, by leave, presented a Petition from Solomon Whitlock, and others, Inhabitants of the Penyack settlement, in the Parish of Saint Mary's, in the County of York, praying for aid to rebuild the bridge over the Penyack stream.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Scott*, by leave, presented a Petition from William D. Reid, and others, inhabitants of the Parish of Hopewell in the County of Westmorland, praying for aid to assist in making a road from the Settlement at Cape Enrage, to the Road leading to New Horton.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *C. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from James Brittain, and others, of Kings County, praying that a Great Road may not be laid out through their intervale Lands, at the head of Long Reach.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from William Broad, of Miramichi, Merchant, praying that the sum of £23 : 15 sterling, be refunded him, being amount of duties paid on Flour imported into that Port, which Flour was consumed by the Fire of 7th October, 1825.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Crane*, by leave, presented a Petition from John Smith, and others, inhabitants of the south side of the Lake Settlement in the Parish of Hopewell, in the County of Westmorland, praying for aid to open a new Road from William Tingley's to Thomas Dixon's.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from James Jones, and others, (accompanied with a plan) praying for aid towards making a Road from the head of the upper Lake Lomond, in the County Saint John, to their Farms in the interior.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Allen*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Justices of the Peace for the County of York, praying that an Act may pass authorizing an assessment to be levied upon the County, for building a new Gaol, and that a sum may be granted from the Treasury, to assist in erecting the said building.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *J. Wilmot*, by leave, presented a Petition from John Howard, and others, of the Parishes of Portland, and Saint Martin, in the County of Saint John, (accompanied with a plan,) praying for aid towards making a Road from John M'Bratines', near the Negro Settlement in the Parish of Portland, to Quacco.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Slason*, by leave, presented a Petition from John Ingraham, and George West, a Committee for erecting a Church on the Glebe Lots, in the Parish of

Prince William, in the County of York, praying for aid to assist in completing the said Church.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Parker* moved for leave to bring in a Bill, further to alter and amend an Act, intituled "An Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce, and for preventing and punishing Incest, Adultry and Fornication."

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. *Vail*, by leave, presented a Petition from Wm. Long, and others, inhabitants on the rear Lands on the East side of Long Reach, in Kings County, praying for aid to assist in making a road from Holder's, to the said Wm. Long's upper line.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Allen*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill in amendment of an Act, passed in the thirty-second year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs."

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, Ordered, that the order of the day for going into Committee on Ways and Means of raising a Revenue in this Province, be discharged, and further Ordered, that the House do go into Committee on the same to-morrow.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 21st FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestry of Saint George Church in the Parish of Carleton, in the City of Saint John, praying for Legislative aid to assist in building the Parsonage House, and in erecting a fence around the Burying ground.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Wetmore*, by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas Flewelling, and Thomas Richards, Commissioners of Highways for the Parish of Greenwich, in Kings County, and other Inhabitants of the said Parish, praying for aid to assist in repairing Roads and Bridges, and making Causeways, in that Parish.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Nevers*, by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas Hart, praying for aid to assist him in building a Bridge over the North Branch of the Oromocto, in the County of Sunbury.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Read

Read a second time, a Bill further to alter and amend an Act intituled "An Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce, and for preventing and punishing Incest, Adultry, and Fornication."

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, The House went into Committee of the whole, upon the re-consideration of a Bill to render and make valid certain Marriages heretofore solemnized in this Province.

Mr. *J. Wilmot* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Wilmot*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same without making any further amendment thereto.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, the House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for ascertaining damages on Protested Bills of Exchange."

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, Reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and that in the Committee the following Resolution was moved:—Resolved, that the the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for three months.

And upon the question being put thereon,

The Committee divided, YEAS, 6. NAYS, 11.

And it was carried in the negative.

And that he was directed to report that they had made further progress therein, and to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and leave granted.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from William Kerr, and William Lock, Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of Newcastle, in the County of Northumberland, praying that a grant may pass to them for the sum of £203 : 1 : 0, to reimburse that sum paid for the support of sick and disabled Seamen, for the half year ending in March last.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *M'Kay*, by leave, presented a Petition from Allen Shaw, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, at St. Andrews, praying that an Act may pass for erecting a Light House on the Westernmost Seal Island, and that a sum may be granted from the Province Treasury for building the same, and for the maintenance thereof.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Odell* delivered the Message:—

"Mr. *Speaker*,

"I am commanded by His Excellency, to lay before the House the Provincial Auditor's Report for the last year: Also, Reports from theseveral Supervisors of Great Roads throughout the Province."

Ordered

Ordered, that the House do to-morrow go into Committee of the whole on a Bill to regulate the Herring Fishery in the Parishes of Grand Manan, West-Isles, Campo-Bello, Pennfield, and Saint George, in the County of Charlotte, and to provide for the inspection of Smoked Herring in the said County.

Read a second time, a Bill in amendment of an Act passed in the thirty-second year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act, to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs."

Mr. *Fraser*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of the Parishes of Woodstock, Northampton, Wakefield and Kent, in the County of York, praying that an Act may pass, erecting those Parishes into a separate County.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. *Allen*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to explain an Act, to empower the Justices of the General Sessions of the Peace in the several Counties in this Province, to grant Licences to Tavern Keepers and Retailers of Spiritous Liquors; and also, an Act for the better regulation of Licences to Inns, Taverns, and Houses for selling strong Liquors by retail.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, under the title of a Bill in amendment of the Acts relating to the granting of Licences to Tavern Keepers and Retailers, and their better regulation.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted, and the Bill engrossed under the title as amended.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill for the more easy assessment of damages in actions on Bonds, payable by instalments, and other similar instruments, and for the more convenient service of Writs of *scire facias*.

Resolved that the Bill do pass, and Ordered, that Mr. *Parker*, and Mr. *Scott*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Parish Schools in this Province."

Resolved, that the Bill do pass, and Ordered that Mr. *Crane* and Mr. *Smith*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Council to the Bill to continue an Act intituled "An Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of St. Andrews."

The amendments being read at the Clerk's Table, and the question put for passing the same, they were not concurred in by the House.

The House according to the order of the day, went into Committee of the whole, in consideration of Ways and Means of raising a Revenue in this Province.

Mr. *M'Kay* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *M'Kay*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that he was directed by the Committee to report that they had passed the following Resolution:—

"Resolved,

“ Resolved, that in the opinion of this Committee, the Revenue Laws of the Province be referred to the Committee of Trade, to report thereon by Bill or otherwise.”

And that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

Mr. *Scott*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to alter and amend an Act, intituled “ An Act for assessing, collecting and levying County rates.”

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Slason* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church, in the Parish of Fredericton, to convey a certain piece of the Glebe Land of the said Parish, in exchange for other Land.

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in was read a first time.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 22d FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill further to alter and amend an Act intituled “ An Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce, and for preventing and punishing Incest, Adultry, and Fornication.”

Mr. *Crane* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Crane*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with amendments.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

Mr. *Allen*, by leave, presented a Petition from Adam B. Sharp, James Sharp, and Robert Phillips, of the Parish of Northampton, in the County of York, setting forth, that in the year 1820 they erected and finished a School House in the upper district of the said Parish, at their own expense, which was shortly afterwards accidentally burned, and that they have also, since then, erected, finished and furnished a second building, and praying to be remunerated.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Slason* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal an Act intituled “ An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same,” as far as respects the Parish of Queensbury.

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Read a second time, the following Bills:—

A Bill further to alter and amend an Act, intituled “ An Act for assessing, collecting, and levying County Rates.”

And a Bill to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry, of Christ Church, in the Parish of Fredericton, to convey a certain piece of the Glebe Land of the said Parish, in exchange for other Land.

Mr. *Allen*, by leave presented a Petition from Jacob Eligood, and Thomas Jones, Esquires, and others, Inhabitants of the Parish of Prince William, praying that an Act may pass, relieving them from the provisions of the Act of 3 Geo. 4, intituled "An Act for the erection of an Alms and Work-House, within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same," until such time as they send Paupers thereto, and that they may be allowed to provide for the support of their Poor, within the Parish.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *Slason*, by leave, presented a Petition from the officiating Minister, Church Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of Saint Mary, in the County of York, setting forth, that previous to the division of the said Parish, the sum of £100 was voted to enable its Inhabitants to erect a Church therein, and that this sum has been subsequently appropriated to the erection of a Church, in the upper part of the said Parish of St. Mary, now the Parish of Douglas, and praying that a similar grant may now be made to assist in building a Church on the Nashwalk, in the said Parish of St. Mary.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *J. Wilmot* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for the better examining and auditing the Public Accounts of this Province."

Leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *McKay*, The House according to the day, went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to regulate the Herring Fishery in the Parishes of Grand Manan, West-Isles, Campo-Bello, Pennfield, and Saint George, in the County of Charlotte, and to provide for the inspection of Smoked Herrings in the said Parishes.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and leave granted.

The House according to the order of the day, went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to maintain an armed Cutter for the protection of the Revenue of the Province."

Mr. *Vail* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Vail*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from William Joplin, Wm. Abrams, and J. T. Williston, Esquires, and others, Inhabitants of Miramichi, praying that an Act may pass, authorizing the removal of the Shire Town, and the building and establishing the Court-House and Gaol in Chatham.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *J. Wilmot*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to continue an Act, intituled

intituled "An Act for the better examining and auditing the Public Accounts of this Province."

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. *McKay*, The House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill for the more effectually preventing the stealing or carrying away of Saw Logs in the Rivers St. Croix and Magaguadavic within the County of Charlotte.

Mr. *R. Simonds* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Simonds*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered, that the report be accepted, and the Bill, as amended, engrossed.

Mr. *Wetmore*, by leave, presented a Petition from Jared Bostwick, and others, Inhabitants of the Parish of Kingston, in Kings County, praying for aid to assist in building a bridge over Dunham's Mill-Stream, and for opening drains across the Road adjacent thereto.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 23d FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Odell* delivered the Message:—

"Mr. *Speaker*,

"I am commanded by His Excellency, to lay before the House of Assembly a Letter from the Province Treasurer, recommending the appointment of a Tide Surveyor, to be stationed at West-Isles, instead of a Deputy Treasurer: Also, a Representation from the Commissioners of the Revenue Cutter."

Read a second time, a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for the better examining and auditing the Public Accounts of this Province."

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill for the more effectually preventing the stealing or carrying away of Saw Logs in the Rivers Saint Croix, and Magaguadavic, within the County of Charlotte.

Resolved that the Bill do pass, and Ordered that Mr. *McKay*, and Mr. *Clarke*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill further to alter and amend an Act, intituled "An Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce, and for preventing and punishing Incest, Adultry, and Fornication."

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Parker*, and Mr. *Johnston*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, the House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to encourage the destruction of Bears in this Province.

Mr. *McKay* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr.

Mr. *McKay*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered, that the report be accepted, and the Bill as amended engrossed.

Mr. *Speaker* laid before the House, a Statement of the affairs and business of the Saint John Marine Insurance Company, to the 30th June, 1826.

Ordered that the said Statement lie on the Table, for the information of the House.

On motion of Mr. *McKay*, the House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to regulate the Herring Fishery in the Parishes of Grand Manan, West-Isles, Campo-Bello, Pennfield, and Saint George, in the County of Charlotte, and to provide for the inspection of Smoked Herrings, in the said Parishes.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with amendments.

Ordered, that the report be accepted, and the Bill as amended engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, the House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for ascertaining damages on Protested Bills of Exchange."

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, Reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and that in the Committee it was Resolved, that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for three months.

Ordered that the report be accepted.

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Justices of the Peace for the City and County of Saint John, and others, Inhabitants of the said City, praying for a loan of a sum of Money from the Province Treasury, to improve the Streets therein.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the Table.

On motion of Mr. *Slason*, The House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church in the Parish of Fredericton, to convey a certain piece of the Glebe Land of the said Parish, in exchange for other Land.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted, and the Bill engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Slason*, the House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for regulating the inspection of Fish to be consumed within the Province."

Mr. *Crane* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Crane*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with amendments, under the title of a Bill to continue and amend an Act for regulating the inspection of Fish, to be consumed within the Province.

Ordered

Ordered, that the report be accepted, and the Bill as amended engrossed under the title as amended.

On motion of Mr. *Allen*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill in amendment of an Act passed in the thirty-second year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs."

Mr. *R. Simonds* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Simonds*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill further to alter and amend an Act, intituled "An Act for assessing, collecting, and levying County Rates."

Mr. *Vaill* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Vaill*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and that in the Committee it was moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for six months.

And upon the question being put,

The Committee divided as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. R. SIMONDS.
Mr. PARKER.
Mr. JOHNSTON.
Mr. C. SIMONDS.
Mr. SCOVIL.
Mr. WETMORE.
Mr. M'KAY.
Mr. J. WILMOT.
Mr. ALLEN.
Mr. CAMPBELL.

NAYS.

Mr. SMITH.
Mr. CRANE,
Mr. SCOTT.
Mr. M. WILMOT.
Mr. SLASON.
Mr. CLARKE.
Mr. NEVERS.
Mr. DOW.
Mr. FRASER.

And it was carried in the affirmative.

Ordered that the report be accepted.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Odell* delivered the following Message:—

"NEW-BRUNSWICK.

"MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

" 23d FEBRUARY, 1827.

"HOWARD DOUGLAS.

"The Lieutenant-Governor directs to be laid before the House of Assembly, a Copy of a Dispatch from the Right Honorable Earl BATHURST, dated 28th April, 1826, enclosing a copy of a Minute of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, dated the 25th of the same month, on the subject of the establishment of the Customs in North America, and the West Indies, and the payment of the expences of those establishments out of the Produce of the duties of Customs which they are appointed to collect."

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Mr. *C. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from Joe Brand, and others, Inhabitants and Proprietors of Land, situate between Barns' Mills in Kings County, and the head of the third Lake Lomond, in the County of Saint John, praying for aid to improve the Road between those places.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from Peter Duffus, and others, Proprietors of Lands on the banks of the Black River, in the County of Saint John, praying aid for the purpose of clearing out obstructions and otherwise improving the navigation of that River.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from Persons residing at Red-Head, (Mispeck,) and other settlements on the sea coast, in the County of St. John, praying for aid towards completing the Road over the Marsh at Little River.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *C. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from John Cunningham, and others, Inhabitants of Black River Settlement, in the County of St. John, praying for aid to improve the Road thereto.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Allen*, by leave, presented a Petition from Aaron Easty, and others, Inhabitants of the Parish of Douglas, in the County of York, praying for aid towards opening a Road from the Cardigan Settlement, in the said Parish, to the South-West branch of Miramichi River.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Campbell* moved for leave to bring in a Bill further to continue an Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of Saint Andrews."

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. *Scovil*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of the Parish of Waterborough, in Queens County, praying for a division of the said Parish.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *Fraser* moved for leave to bring in a Bill for erecting the upper part of the County of York into a separate County.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Allen* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of York, to erect a new Gaol in the said County.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Scovil* moved for leave to bring in a Bill for dividing the Parish of Waterborough, in Queens County.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Scott* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize Dissenting Ministers of the Gospel being Ordained and Settled to solemnize Matrimony in this Province.

Leave granted.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Scovil*, by leave, presented a Petition from John Humphrey's, Esq., and others, Inhabitants of the Butternut Ridge Settlement, in Queen's County, praying that a sum of money may be granted to enable them to open a road from that Settlement to the Mill-Stream Settlement.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Read a second time, the following Bills:—

A Bill further to continue "An Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of Saint Andrews.

And a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same," as far as respects the Parish of Queensbury.

Mr. *Parker* moved for leave to bring in a Bill in further amendment of an Act, intituled "An Act subjecting Real Estates in the Province of New-Brunswick to the Payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriff in his proceedings therein."

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in was read a first time.

Mr. *McKay*, by leave, presented a Petition from James Emery, and others, Inhabitants at New River, in the Parish of Pennfield, in the County of Charlotte, praying for aid towards opening a road from that Settlement to the Great Road leading to St. John.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Nevers*, by leave, presented a Petition from William Carr, praying that the sum of £30, may be granted to remunerate him for expenses incurred, and labour performed in clearing out windfalls in the Road leading from the Gary Settlement, to the Brizley Creek, and for rebuilding in part a Bridge across the said Creek, the former one having been destroyed by fire.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill further to continue "An Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of Saint Andrews."

Mr.

Mr. *C. Simonds* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Simonds*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted, and the Bill engrossed.

Mr. *M^cKay* by leave, presented a Petition from William M^cLean, of Campo Bello, in the County of Charlotte, Merchant, praying that the sum of £13:17:6 may be granted him, being the amount of Drawback on three puncheons of Rum, shipped to Nova Scotia in the year 1823.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Nevers*, by leave, presented a Petition from Lemuel Nason, of the County of Sunbury, praying to be reimbursed the sum of £20 for rebuilding a bridge across the Morancey stream in the Parish of Lincoln.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *Clarke* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Laws now in force for regulating the exportation of Fish and Lumber."

Leave granted.

Mr. *Allen* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House, and Work-House within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same," so far as respects the Parish of Prince William.

And upon the question being put for granting leave, it was carried in the negative.

Mr. *Fraser* by leave presented a Petition from John Bedell, Esq. and others, Inhabitants of the County of York, praying for aid towards the further improvement of the navigation of the upper part of the River Saint John.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *M^cKay*, by leave, presented a Petition from John Wilson, and Benjamin F. Church, setting forth that they had at an expense of £2000 erected a Paper Manufactory at Chamcook, in the County of Charlotte, and praying Legislative aid towards the support of the Establishment.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Clarke* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the driving of Logs and Timber down the Rivers St. Croix, Magaguadavic, and Digdeguash, in the County of Charlotte.

Leave granted.

The House then adjourned until Monday morning next, at 10 o'clock.

MONDAY,

MONDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Ozell* delivered the Message:—

“Mr. *Speaker*,

“I am commanded by His Excellency, to lay before the House of Assembly, the Report, together with the annual Account from the Commissioners of the Marine Hospital.”

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from John Irish, and George Lockhart, of the City of Saint John, praying for drawback on a puncheon of Rum, they not being able to procure the necessary certificate of exportation, the property having been lost at sea.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Vail*, by leave, presented a Petition from Edward Fryers, and others, Inhabitants of the Parish of Sussex, in Kings County, praying for aid to improve the Road from the upper Settlement on Ward's creek, to the old Cumberland Road, and for building Bridges on the said Road.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to render and make valid certain Marriages, heretofore solemnized in this Province.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *M'Kay*, and Mr. *Campbell*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. *Crane*, by leave, presented a Petition from Gideon Smith, and others, Inhabitants of the Parish of Dorchester, in the County of Westmorland, praying that the sum of £250 may be granted, to assist in building a new aboideau over Brown's Creek.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from Wm. Austin, and others, of the City of Saint John, praying that an Act may pass, imposing further Duties on certain articles imported from Foreign Countries, as a protection to the Manufactories of the Province.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *M'Kay*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of the Parishes of St. Stephens, Saint David, and St. James, in the County of Charlotte, praying that an Act may pass, erecting those Parishes into a separate County.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Read a second time, a Bill in further amendment of an Act, intituled “An Act subjecting Real Estates in the Province of New-Brunswick to the payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriff in his proceedings thereon.”

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas Millidge, Esq., and others, Inhabitants of the City of Saint John, praying that a Law may pass to authorize the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the said City, to lay out a Road of the width of thirty feet from South Market Wharf, to the Wharf of Charles J. Peters, Esquire, the same having been contemplated at the time of leasing the Lots adjoining the said Wharf.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the Table.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, the House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act to maintain an armed Cutter for the protection of the Revenue of the Province."

Mr. *Vaill* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Vaill*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and that in the Committee it was moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for three months.

And upon the question being put thereon,

The Committee divided, and it was carried in the affirmative.

Ordered that the report be accepted.

Mr. *Allen*, by leave, presented a Petition from Samuel Buchannan, formerly Door-Keeper to His Majesty's Council, praying for further relief, in consequence of his advanced age and infirmities.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Odell* delivered the Message.

"Mr. *Speaker*,

"I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to lay before the House of Assembly, a Report from James A. Macclachlan, Esq., Supervisor of the Great Road leading from Fredericton to the Canada line, together with a plan of the same."

Mr. *Allen*, moved for leave to bring in a Bill to lay a Tax on Dogs, in the Parish of Fredericton.

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in was read a first time.

Mr. *M. Wilmot*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of the Parish of Hopewell in the County of Westmorland, praying that an Act may pass, requiring the Office of Register of Deeds and Wills to be kept at Dorchester, it being the Shire Town of the said County.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the Table.

Mr. *Slason* moved for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulating Gaols in this Province.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Clarke* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to erect and constitute the Parishes of Saint Stephens, Saint Davids, and Saint James, in the County of Charlotte, into a separate and distinct County.

And upon the question being put for granting leave, it was carried in the negative.

Mr.

Mr. R. Simonds, by leave, presented three several Petitions from Messrs. Duncan and Lock, Nathan Richey, and McIntosh, and Stewart, of Miramichi, Merchants, praying for remission of Duties on articles consumed by the fire of the 7th October, 1825.

And having read the said Petitions severally in his place,

Ordered that they be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. M. Walmot, by leave, presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of the Parish of Monkton, and its vicinity, in the County of Westmorland, praying that an Act may pass, requiring the Office of Register of Deeds and Wills to be kept at Dorchester, it being the Shire Town of the said County.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the Table.

Mr. Vail, by leave, presented a Petition from John Barbarie, and Oliver Barbarie, Proprietors of the Salt Works, in the Parish of Sussex, in Kings County, praying for aid to assist them in improving those Works.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Nevers, by leave, presented a Petition from John Nason, of the County of Sunbury, praying to be reimbursed for building Bridges on the North Branch of the Oromocto.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. R. Simonds, by leave, presented a Petition from John Joseph, and Michael Samuel, of Miramichi, Merchants, praying for remission of Duties on articles consumed by fire on the 7th October, 1825.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. C. Simonds by leave, presented a Petition from Hugh Johnston and Company, of the City of Saint John, Merchants, praying that the sum of £60 : 15 : 11 may be granted them, being amount of Duty on Hides imported from Africa, in the month of May last.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. R. Simonds, by leave, presented a Petition from Francis Flinn, praying that the sum of £25 may be granted him, being a balance due for Work done on the Great Road leading from Newcastle to Nepisiquit, in the year 1822, under direction of the late Benjamin Wilson, Esquire, the Supervisor for that Road.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. R. Simonds, by leave, presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of the upper Settlement, on the South-West Branch of Miramichi River, praying for assistance to open a Road to the Cardigan Settlement in the County of York.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from Darby Gillan, a Settler on the Nerepis Road, praying for aid to enable him to build an addition to his present establishment for the better accommodation of Travellers.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Crane* pursuant to leave brought in a Bill, to alter and amend all the Laws now in force, relating to the establishment, regulation and improvement of the Great Roads through the Province, and to make more effectual provision for the same.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *C. Simonds* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to grant to George Thompson, the exclusive right to discharge Ballast from Ships afloat, in the Harbour of Saint John, with Vessels or Lighters, upon a new and improved construction.

Leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *J. Wilmot*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for the better examining and auditing the Public Accounts of this Province."

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, Reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Fraser*, Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to enquire and examine what part of the appropriations for the three last years, remain unpaid, in order to ascertain what amount the House will be able to appropriate this Session.

Ordered, that Mr. *Fraser*, Mr. *Johnston*, and Mr. *C. Simonds*, be a Committee for that purpose.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Johnston*, by leave, presented a Petition from Persons residing on the St. Andrews road, and in the neighbourhood of Lepreau Harbour, praying Legislative aid towards improving the Communication from the said St. Andrews Road, to the head of Lepreau Harbour, aforesaid, and for building a Bridge over Lepreau River.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *J. Wilmot*, by leave, presented a Petition from Archibald M'Laughlan, a Settler on the Great Road between Saint John and Saint Andrews, praying for Legislative aid to enable him to continue an establishment on the said Road, for the accommodation of Travellers.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. C. Simonds, by leave, presented a Petition from Richard Bradley, of the County of Saint John, setting forth that he had entered into a Contract with Thomas Wyer, Esquire, the Supervisor for the Great Road from St. John to Saint Andrews, to widen and repair a certain part of that Road, that in consequence of the Route having been changed, he had to work the Road; through a wilderness; and praying that a sum of money may be granted in addition to the amount of the Contract, to compensate him for the additional labour performed.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Read a second time, the following Bills:—

A Bill to lay a Tax on Dogs, in the Parish of Fredericton,

And a Bill to alter and amend all the Laws now in force, relating to the establishment, regulation and improvement of the Great Roads through the Province, and to make more effectual provision for the same.

Read a time, as engrossed, a Bill to regulate the Herring Fishery in the Parishes of Grand Manan, West-Isles, Campo-Bello, Pennfield, and Saint George, in the County of Charlotte, and to provide for the inspection of Smoked Herrings, in the said Parishes.

Resolved that the Bill do pass, and Ordered that Mr. McKay, and Mr. Clarke, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church in the Parish of Fredericton, to convey a certain piece of the Glebe Land of the said Parish, in exchange for other Land.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. Slason, and Mr. Allen, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to encourage the destruction of Bears in this Province.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered, that Mr. Scott and Mr. M. Wilmot, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a time, as engrossed, a Bill to continue and amend an Act for regulating the inspection of Fish to be consumed within the Province."

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. Slason, and Mr. Wetmore, carry the said bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. C. Simonds, by leave, presented a Petition from Patrick O'Brien, setting forth that he had entered into a Contract with Thomas Wyer, Esquire, the Supervisor for the Great Road from Saint John to Saint Andrews, to work a part of the said Road; that in consequence of an alteration being made therein, he had a greater distance to work than when the Contract was first entered into, and praying that the sum of £25 may be granted to him, as a compensation for the additional labour performed.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. Slason, the House went into Committee of the whole

on a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same," so far as relates to the Parish of Queensbury.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with amendments, under the title of a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same," so far as respects the Parishes of Queensbury and Prince William.

Ordered, that the report be accepted, and the Bill, as amended, engrossed.

Mr. *C. Simonds*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to grant to George Thompson, the exclusive right to discharge Ballast from Ships afloat in the Harbour of Saint John, with Vessels or Lighters, upon a new and improved construction.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *M. Wilmot* moved for leave to bring in a Bill for directing the Registry Offices in the several Counties of this Province, to be kept in the Shire or County Towns.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Scovil*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill for erecting the North-western part of the Town or Parish of Waterborough, in Queens County, into a separate Town or Parish.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from David M'Elmon, of Richibucto, in the County of Northumberland, setting forth that a suit at Law was commenced and carried on in the Supreme Court against him, for a Trespass alleged to have been committed by him, as a Militia Officer, when acting under the express orders of his Commanding Officer; that Judgment was obtained, and execution issued to levy the sum of £93 : 2 : 4, which sum was paid by him, and praying to be reimbursed that amount.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. *M'Kay*, Resolved, that a select Committee be appointed to enquire into the expediency of re-establishing the Office of Deputy Treasurer at West-Isles, in the County of Charlotte, and to report thereon to the House.

Ordered, that Mr. *M'Kay*, Mr. *Johnston*, and Mr. *J. Wilmot* be a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. *M. Wilmot*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill for directing the Registry Offices in the several Counties of this Province to be kept in the Shire or County Towns.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Fraser*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill for erecting the upper part of the County of York into a separate County.

And upon the question being put, that the said bill be read a first time, the House divided, and it was carried in the negative.

Mr.

Mr. *Johnston* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Province Treasurer to loan the sum of Five Thousand Pounds to the Corporation of the City of Saint John, for the purpose of improving the streets of the said City.

And upon the question being put for granting leave, the House divided, and it was carried in the negative.

Mr. *Johnston* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Province Treasurer to borrow the sum of Five Thousand Pounds from the Saint John Marine Insurance Company of the City of Saint John, for the use of the Province.

And upon the question for granting leave, the House divided, and it was carried in the negative.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from Wm. Joplin, Esquire, Supervisor of the Great Road leading from Chatham to Chediac, praying for a sum of money to reimburse him for Public property that was destroyed by the fire of 7th October, 1825, and which he had to pay for.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. *J. Wilmot*, "Resolved, that the House do go into Committee of the whole, on Friday next, for the purpose of taking into consideration the several Messages of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, relative to the appropriations of the Revenue collected at the Custom Houses in this Province, by virtue of the late Act of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill in further amendment of an Act, intituled "An Act subjecting Real Estates in the Province of New-Brunswick to the payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriff in his proceedings thereon."

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, Reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with amendments.

Ordered that the report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

Mr. *Munroe* by leave, presented a Petition from the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Parish of Newcastle, and other parts of the County of Northumberland: And also, three several Petitions from the Inhabitants of the Parish of Ludlow, and of the North-West Branch of Miramichi, in the said County, praying that the Shire Town may not be removed to Chatham.

And having read the said Petitions severally in his place,

Ordered that they be received and lie on the Table.

Mr. *C. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from George Matthews, and Peter Duffus, Commissioners to expend the money granted for the Road leading from Little River Bridge to the Black River Settlement, and praying to be reimbursed the sum of £39 : 0 : 10, being an amount expended over and above the sum granted for the improvement of that Road.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. *J. Wilmot*, Ordered, that the House do, to-morrow, go into Committee of the whole, in consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

On motion of *Mr. Crane*, Ordered that the House do, on Thursday next, go into Committee of the whole on a Bill to alter and amend the Laws now in force relating to the establishment, regulation, and improvement of the Great Roads through the Province, and to make more effectual provision for the same."

On motion of *Mr. Allen*, The House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill in amendment of an Act passed in the thirty-second year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs."

Mr. R. Simonds took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Simonds, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments, under the title of a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs," and to make more effectual provision for the prevention thereof.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted, and the Bill as amended engrossed, under the title as amended.

Mr. Campbell, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill for appointing Firewards in the Town of Saint Andrews, and ascertaining their power and duty, and more effectually to prevent Fires in the said Town.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. R. Simonds, by leave, presented a Petition from John M. Johnston, one of the Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of Chatham in the County of Northumberland, praying that the sum of £44 : 8 : 2 may be granted them, being the amount expended for the support of sick and disabled Seamen prior to the appointment of Commissioners for that purpose.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Slason moved for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House, within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same."

Leave granted.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 28th FEBRUARY, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Read a second time, the following Bills:—

A Bill for erecting the Northwestern part of the Town or Parish of Waterborough, in Queens County, into a separate Town or Parish.

A Bill for appointing Firewards in the Town of Saint Andrews, and ascertaining their power and duty, and more effectually to prevent Fires in the said Town.

A Bill for directing the Registry Offices in the several Counties of this Province, to be kept in the Shire or County Towns.

And

And a Bill to grant to George Thompson, the exclusive right to discharge Ballast from Ships afloat in the Harbour of Saint John, with Vessels or Lighters, upon a new and improved construction.

On motion of Mr. *J. Wilmot*, the House according to the order of the day, went into Committee of the whole, in consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, Reported, that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that in the Committee a number of Resolutions were made, which he read, and delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again severally read, and agreed to by the House, and are as follow :

Resolved, that there be granted to the Chaplain of the Council in General Assembly, the sum of £25.

To the Chaplain of the House of Assembly the sum of £25.

To the Clerk of the Council in General Assembly, the sum of £50, and 20s. per diem during the present Session.

To the Clerk of the Council, the sum of £25 for defraying the expenses of an Assistant during the present Session.

To the Clerk of the House of Assembly, the sum of £100 and 20s. per diem during the present Session.

To the Clerk Assistant of the House of Assembly, the sum of 20s. per diem, during the present Session.

To the Sergeant at Arms attending the Council in General Assembly, the sum of 20s. per diem, during the present Session.

To the Sergeant at Arms, attending the House of Assembly, the sum of 20s. per diem, during the present Session.

To the Door-Keepers and Messengers, attending the Council and Assembly, the sum of 12s. : 6d. per diem, each, during the present Session.

To John Chaloner, Tide Surveyor in the City of St. John, the sum of £100 for his services and expences from the 1st day of March, 1826, to the 1st day of March, 1827.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for defraying the contingent expences of the Province, a sum not exceeding £250, for the year 1827.

To John Robinson, Esq. Treasurer of the Province, for his services from the 1st day of March, 1826, to the 1st day of March, 1827; the sum of £600.

To the Speaker of the House of Assembly, the sum of £150, and to the Members of the said House of Assembly, the sum of £40 each, for defraying their expences of attendance, during the present Session, and 20s. per diem, travelling charges, reckoning twenty miles for each day's travel, to be certified by the Speaker agreeably to a Law of this Province.

To John Chaloner, for Gauging and Weighing in the year 1826, the sum of £122 : 9 : 0.

To the Treasurer of the Province to defray the expences incurred by him for Stationary, Blanks, Advertising and Postages, the sum of £26 : 2 : 1.

To Richard Winter, the sum of £20 for airing and taking care of the Province Hall, for the year 1826.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the purpose of enabling the Treasurer to pay a Tide Waiter in the City of Saint John, for his services

from

from the 28th day of March, 1826, to the 28th day of March 1827, the sum of £92.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the sum of £175 for the support of the Master of the Grammar School in the County of Westmorland, for the year 1827, agreeably to the two Acts of the General Assembly.

To the President and Directors of the Public Grammar School in the City of Saint John, the sum of £250 for the year 1827, agreeably to the two Acts of the General Assembly.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the sum of £175 for the support of a Master of the Grammar School in Kings County, for the year 1827, agreeably to the two Acts of the General Assembly.

To the President and Directors of the Saint Andrews Grammar School, the sum of £200 for the year 1827, agreeably to the two Acts of the General Assembly.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the sum of £175 for the support of a Master of the Grammar School in Queens County, for the year 1827, agreeably to the two Acts of the General Assembly.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the sum of £175 for the support of a Master of the Grammar School, in the County of Sunbury, for the year 1827, agreeably to the two Acts of the General Assembly.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the encouragement of Schools, the sum of £3000, agreeably to a Law of the Province.

To the Keeper of the Light House on Partridge Island, the sum of £150, for his services for the year 1827.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the sum of £175 for the support of a Master for the Grammar School in the County of Northumberland, for the year 1827, agreeably to the two Acts of the General Assembly.

To the Governor and Trustees of the College of New-Brunswick, the sum of £250 for the year 1827, agreeably to the two Acts of the General Assembly.

To the Governor and Trustees of the College of New-Brunswick, for the present year, the sum of £75, in further aid and support of the Grammar School in Fredericton.

To John Bainbridge, and Henry Bliss, Esquires, such sum as will procure Bills of Exchange on England, for £200 sterling, for their services as Agents for the Province.

To His Majesty's Attorney-General, for his services for the year 1826, the sum of £100.

To His Majesty's Solicitor-General, for his services for the year 1826, the sum of £50.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the sum of £100, to be applied towards the support of the Light House on Brier Island, in the Province of Nova Scotia, for the year 1827.

To the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, the sum of £4000, to be paid for the encouragement of the Fisheries of this Province, for the year 1827.

To the Lieutenant Governor or Commander-in-Chief, a sum not exceeding £3000, to be paid for the encouragement of raising Grain on New Land, agreeably to a Law of this Province.

And Mr. *Smith* further Reported, that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

On

On motion of Mr. Scott—"Whereas it appears to the House, by a Communication from the Postmaster at Fredericton, that several Letters addressed to the Hon. S. D. Street, Auditor of Provincial Accounts, had been received at the Post-Office, and were sent to him; but refused acceptance, in consequence of the Postage not being paid; and after remaining in the Office the usual time, were sent as dead Letters to the General Post-Office at Quebec: And whereas there is no doubt from the information conveyed to the House, that these Letters contained Returns and Vouchers from several of the Supervisors and Commissioners of Roads; and that great injury will be sustained by those persons, should any accident happen to such Letters; Thereupon Resolved, that an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct proper steps to be taken for getting back the said Letters: and that this House will defray the expense of the same."

Ordered, that Mr. Scott, Mr. Johnston, and Mr. Allen, be a Committee to present the said Address to His Excellency.

On motion of Mr. M. Wilmot—"Resolved, that it is the opinion of this House, that the Trustees of Grammar Schools in the different Counties in this Province, shall yearly during the sitting of the House, and shortly after the opening of the same, forward to the Secretary of the Province, a specific statement of the situation of the School House, the name of the Master, whether he is in Holy Orders, the number of Scholars in each School, with the number of Free Scholars, and their names, with the reason of their being admitted as such, with the rate of tuition money paid by the Scholars, and by whom received, to be by the said Secretary handed to the House as soon as received."

Mr. Johnston, by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas Thomas, sen., and others, Inhabitants at Mispick in the County of Saint John, praying for aid to assist in building a Bridge over the Mispick River.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. Johnston by leave, presented a Petition from John Robertson, of the City of Saint John, Merchant, praying for drawback on two puncheons of Rum exported to the United States in the year 1822.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. Allen, The House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to lay a Tax on Dogs, in the Parish of Fredericton.

Mr. Johnston took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Johnston, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and leave granted.

Mr. Smith, moved for leave to bring in a Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue, for the Ordinary Services of the Province.

Leave granted.

Mr. Slason by leave presented a Petition from Allen M'Lean, praying that a sum expended by him, when Supervisor of the Great Road from Fredericton to Restigouche, together with a balance due on his Accounts as audited in 1825, may be granted.

Which

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill for appointing Firewards in the Town of Saint Andrews, and ascertaining their power and duty, and more effectually to prevent Fires in the said Town.

Mr. *C. Simonds* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Simonds*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered that the report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *M. Wilmot*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill for directing the Registry Offices in the several Counties of this Province, to be kept in the Shire or County Towns.

Mr. *Wetmore* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Wetmore*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered, that the report be accepted, and the Bill engrossed.

Mr. *Parker* moved for leave, to bring in a Bill in addition to an Act, further to provide for the security of the City of St. John against the Ravages of Fire.

Leave granted.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave presented a Petition from Duncan M. Grigor, praying that a grant of £125, may be made to him, for services performed as Courier between Fredericton and Newcastle, for the year 1826.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Fraser*, Chairman of the Committee appointed to examine into the amount of the several Grants for the last three years, which now remain unpaid, with a view to ascertain the probable amount of disposable Funds of the Province for the Current Year, submitted the following Report:—

That of the Grant made at the last Session for Great Roads, there remain unpaid,	£3000 : 0 : 0
That of the Bye Road Grant, there is unpaid,	5700 : 0 : 0
The Grant for Government-House is still unpaid,	10,000 : 0 : 0
The College Grant is still unpaid,	8,000 : 0 : 0
There remain unpaid for Parish Schools,	1,200 : 0 : 0
" " for Grammar Schools,	600 : 0 : 0
" " for Madras Schools,	700 : 0 : 0
Of the Grant for Fish Bounties will be required,	1,500 : 0 : 0
Of the Grant for Grain Bounties, there is unpaid, in 1825,	3,000 : 0 : 0
" for do. 1826,	3,000 : 0 : 0
The Grant for relief of the Sufferers by fire, the whole remain unpaid	5,000 : 0 : 0
The Grant for expences of Judges, &c. is still unpaid,	500 : 0 : 0

£40,200 : 0 : 0

Of the above Grant, the following sums will not be required in the current year, viz,

Of the College Grant,	£5000 : 0 : 0
Government-House Grant,	6000 : 0 : 0—11,000 : 0 : 0

29,200 : 0 : 0

It there.

It therefore appears that of the former Grants which remain unpaid, and which will be required for the Services of the Current Year, £29,200 : 0 : 0

The Balance in the Treasury at St. John, in Bonds and Cash, on } £33,912 : 15 : 2
the 31st December last, was

The Balance in the hands of the Deputy Treasurer at Miramichi,.....5,628 : 6 : 6

The Balance in the hands of the Deputy Treasurer at St. Andrews,.... 3,332 : 18 : 10

£42,874 : 0 : 6

To which may be added for what will probably be received into } 10,000 : 0 : 0
the Treasury during the current Year, in Cash,

£52,874 : 0 : 6

From which deduct amount due on former Grants, as above stated....29,200 : 0 : 0

£23,674 : 0 : 6

And the probable funds now at the disposal of the House, will not exceed the sum of £23,674, as above stated.

The Committee therefore recommend that the appropriations of the present Session do not exceed the sum of £23,674 as above stated,

P. FRASER.
HUGH JOHNSTON, Jun.
CHARLES SIMONDS.

The Report being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there read, and Ordered to be received and lie on the table.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Odell* delivered the following Message:—

“Mr. *Speaker*,

“I am commanded by His Excellency, to lay before the House of Assembly, the Report of the Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Indians in New-Brunswick, together with the statements of monies disbursed out of the Royal Bounty for the encouragement of Indians in settlement and agricultural pursuits; and of the Provincial Grant for the relief of aged and infirm Indians.

“Also, a Report from the Commissioners for the purchase of Furniture for Government-House.”

Mr. *McKay*, Chairman of the Committee appointed to enquire into the expediency of re-establishing the Office of Deputy Treasurer at West-Isles, submitted the following Report,

Which he read in his place:—

“That they have had under their consideration various representations from the Ship Owners and resident Merchants at West Isles and Campo-Bello, setting forth many serious inconveniences which they experience in carrying on their West India Trade, in consequence of the removal of the Deputy Treasurer from West Isles; they state that under the existing regulations, all their transactions with the Treasury must be performed in person at Saint Andrews, distant nearly twenty miles from their homes and business, and only accessible by water, that during the Winter season it is often quite impossible to proceed there for many days:—They are therefore subjected to much loss of time, serious detention of their vessels, much unnecessary expence, and very great personal inconvenience; and are of opinion, that the present system tends

greatly to discourage enterprize in this branch of Trade, so important to the Revenue of this Province.

“ These statements are fully supported by the representations of most of the respectable Merchants in Saint Andrews.

“ Your Committee therefore, after a careful and attentive consideration of the matter referred to them, are of opinion, that no injury can accrue to the Province from a Deputy Treasurer being appointed at West Isles, or Campo-Bello, at a moderate Salary, and that the Mercantile Interest in that quarter will be much benefitted by the appointment; and do recommend the same accordingly.”

HUGH M'KAY.

HUGH JOHNSTON, Jun.

JOHN M. WILMOT.

The Report being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read.

Ordered that it be received and lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Crane, “ Whereas in the Session of the General Assembly of 1822, an Humble Address was made by this House to His Excellency the then Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to appoint some fit person to revise the first volume of the Laws of the Province, and that he would give direction that 200 copies thereof should be printed for the use of the Province, for which this House would make provision, to which His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would comply with the wishes of the House.

“ And whereas in answer to the Humble Address of this House to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in the Session of 1825, relative to the delay in the publishing of the Laws of the Province, His Excellency was pleased to say that he would not fail to adopt effectual measures to remedy the evil complained of.

“ And whereas the said Revised Edition of the Laws does not yet appear to be ready; and in consequence of the extraordinary and unexpected delay which has taken place in the publication thereof, very great and serious inconvenience has been sustained in every part of the Country.

“ Therefore Resolved, that an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to adopt such efficient measures, as in his wisdom, may be deemed meet to remedy the evil complained of.”

Ordered, that Mr. Crane, Mr. Parker and Mr. Johnston, be a Committee to present the said Address to His Excellency.

Mr. Allen, by leave, presented a Petition from William Segee, of Fredericton, in the County of York, praying payment of his Account, amounting to £66 : 11 : 6, for repairing and raising the bridge at Mill-Creek, in the year of 1819.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Ordered that the House do, to-morrow, go into Committee of the whole, on a Bill to grant to George Thompson, the exclusive right to discharge Ballast from Ships afloat in the Harbour of Saint John, with Vessels or Lighters, upon a new and improved construction.

Mr. Allen, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to repeal an Act intituled “An Act

Act against the profanation of the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday," and to make more effectual provision for the same.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Parker*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill in addition to an Act, further to provide for the security of the City of St. John against the Ravages of Fire.

Which was read a first time.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 1st MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Crane*, the House, according to the order of the day, went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to alter and amend the Laws now in force relating to the establishment, regulation, and improvement of the Great Roads through the Province, and to make more effectual provision for the same.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with amendments.

Ordered that the report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

Mr. *J. Wilmot* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to ratify the purchase made of a House and Lot for a Marine Hospital, for the City and Port of Saint John, and to secure the title thereof for that use.

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to regulate the Bass Fishery in the River Richibucto, and its branches.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Crane*, by leave, presented a Petition from Samuel W. Rand, of the Parish of Hopewell, in the County of Westmorland, praying that the Provincial allowance may be granted him for teaching a School in that parish for one year.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Allen*, by leave, presented a Petition from Wm. Payne, praying to be remunerated for services performed as Provincial Tidewaiter at Fredericton, for the past year.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Clarke*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Laws now in force for regulating the exportation of Fish and Lumber."

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland, praying that an Act may pass, authorizing an assessment to be made upon the Inhabitants for building a Court-

House.

House and Gaol, and for Legislative aid to assist in erecting the said buildings.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Read a second time, the following Bills:—

A Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act, against the profanation of the Lord's day commonly called Sunday," and to make more effectual provision for the same."

A Bill in addition to an Act, further to provide for the security of the City of Saint John, against the ravages of fire.

And a Bill to ratify the purchase made of a House and Lot for a Marine Hospital for the City of St. John, and to secure the title thereto for that use.

Mr. *Munroe*, by leave, presented a Petition from James Forein, of Nepisiquit, in the County of Northumberland, praying that a sum may be granted him, in aid of an individual subscription for services performed as a Courier between Newcastle and Bathurst.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Slason* pursuant, to leave, brought in a Bill for the better regulating Gaols in this Province.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Campbell*, by leave, presented a Petition from George M^r Kenzie, of the Parish of Saint James in the County of Charlotte, praying that the Provincial allowance may be granted him for teaching a School at the Basswood Ridge Settlement in the said Parish, for one year, ending 21st March, 1826.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Munroe* by leave presented a Petition from Edward Bradley, a Licenced School Master, praying that the Provincial allowance may be granted him for teaching a School in the Parish of Saumarez and Saint Peters, in the County of Northumberland, for two years.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Crane*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Address of the House, on the subject of the Printing and Revising the Laws of the Province: Reported, that they had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, he is not yet in possession of such information on the subject, as to enable him to furnish the House with a correct statement of the cause of the delay that has arisen in revising and printing the same; but that the same shall be laid before the House to-morrow.

Mr. *Clarke* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the construction of Sluiceways through the several Mill Dams upon the River Saint Croix, for the more easy transit of Timber and Logs down the said River.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Scott*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-

Lieutenant-Governor, with the Address of the House relative to Letters addressed to the Hon. S. D. Street, Auditor of Provincial Accounts, and that were sent as dead Letters to Quebec; Reported, that they had attended to that duty, and His Excellency was pleased to say, he would direct immediate steps to be taken for getting back the Letters referred to.

Mr. *M'Kay*, from the Committee appointed to take into consideration what sums of money may be necessary for the improvement of all the Communications throughout the Province, and for opening Roads to new Settlements, Reported that they had attended to the duty required of them, and had agreed to the following Report:

Which he read in his place:—

“ The Committee considering the present state of the Treasury, are of opinion that not more than £5000 should be applied to the improvement of the Great Roads, for the present year; and that for the Bye-Roads the same sum of £5000 ought to be granted for the same period, making for all the Public Roads in the Province the sum of £10,000,

Which they recommend to be appropriated as follows, viz:—

GREAT ROADS.

From Fredericton to the Canada line.....	£650 : 0 : 0
“ “ to the Restigouch,.....	750 : 0 : 0
“ “ to Saint John by the Nerepis,.....	1000 : 0 : 0
“ “ to the Finger Board,.....	200 : 0 : 0
From Saint John to Saint Andrews,.....	600 : 0 : 0
“ “ to Westmorland,.....	600 : 0 : 0
From Chediac to Chatham.....	600 : 0 : 0
From Dorchester to Chediac.....	100 : 0 : 0
From Fredericton to Saint Andrews,.....	200 : 0 : 0
From Saint John to the head of the Bellisle,.....	200 : 0 : 0
From the Bend of the Petticodiac, to Chediac,.....	100 : 0 : 0
	£5000 : 0 : 0

BYE ROADS.

To be expended in York County,.....	£813 : 0 : 0
“ “ Sunbury,.....	312 : 0 : 0
“ “ Quecns,.....	500 : 0 : 0
“ “ Kings,.....	625 : 0 : 0
“ “ Saint John,.....	625 : 0 : 0
“ “ Charlotte,.....	625 : 0 : 0
“ “ Westmorland,.....	688 : 0 : 0
“ “ Northumberland,.....	812 : 0 : 0
Bye Roads,	£5000 : 0 : 0
Great Roads,	5000 : 0 : 0
	£10,000 : 0 : 0

HUGH M'KAY.
 JOHN ALLEN.
 CHARLES SIMONDS.
 D. B. WETMORE.
 RUFUS SMITH.
 RICHARD SIMONDS.
 SAMUEL SCOVIL.
 SAMUEL NEVERS, Jun.

The Report being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read, and Ordered to be accepted. Q The

The House, according to the order of the day, went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to grant to George Thompson, the exclusive right to discharge Ballast from Ships afloat in the Harbour of Saint John, with Vessels or Lighters, upon a new and improved construction.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Specker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

Mr. *Clarke*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to regulate the driving of Logs and Timber down the Rivers St. Croix, Magaguadavic, and Digdeguash, in the County of Charlotte.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Scott*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to authorize Dissenting Ministers of the Gospel, being ordained and settled, to solemnize Marriage in this Province.

Which was read a first time.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 2d MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same," so far as respects the Parishes of Queensbury and Prince William.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Stinson*, and Mr. *Dow*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill in amendment of the Acts relating to the granting of Licences to Tavern Keepers, and Retailers, and their better regulation.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered, that Mr. *Allen*, and Mr. *Smith*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill further to continue "An Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of St. Andrews."

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Campbell* and Mr. *McKay*, carry the said bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a second time, the following Bills:—

A Bill to regulate the Bass Fishery in the River Richibucto, and its branches.

A Bill to authorize Dissenting Ministers of the Gospel, being ordained and settled, to solemnize Marriage in this Province.

A Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Laws now in force for regulating the exportation of Fish and Lumber."

A Bill to regulate the driving of Logs and Timber down the Rivers Saint Croix, Magaguadavic, and Digdeguash, in the County of Charlotte.

And a Bill for the better regulating Gaols in this Province.

Mr.

Mr. *M'Kay*, by leave, presented a Petition from John M'Carrick, a settler on the Great Road leading from Fredericton to Saint Andrews, praying that a sum of money may be granted to remunerate him for expences incurred in support of Poor Travellers on that road.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Allen*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of York, to build a new Gaol in the said County.

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. *Scovil*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill for erecting the Northwestern part of the Town or Parish of Waterborough, in Queens County, into a separate Town or Parish.

Mr. *Scott* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Scott*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered that the report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Slason*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill for the better regulating Gaols in this Province,

Mr. *M'Kay* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *M'Kay*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made further progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and leave granted.

Mr. *Allen* moved for leave to bring in a Bill further to amend and alter the Laws now in force for assessing, collecting and levying of rates for Public Charges.

Leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Allen*, The House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to lay a Tax on Dogs, in the Parish of Fredericton.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

Read, as engrossed, the Resolutions of Appropriation, made and passed the 28th February.

Ordered that Mr. *Vail* and Mr. *Crane*, carry the said Resolutions to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. *R. Simonds* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "An Act for the better ascertaining and confirming the Boundaries of the several Counties within this Province, and sub-dividing them into Towns and Parishes."

And upon the question being put for granting leave, the House divided, YEAS 10.—NAYS 12, and it was carried in the negative.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee appointed to revise and amend the Militia

Militia Law, reported that they had attended to that duty, and prepared a bill for that purpose, under the title of a Bill in amendment of the Act for regulating the Militia, so far as respects the City of Saint John.

The Bill as reported by the Committee being handed in at the Clerk's Table, Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. *Clarke*, The House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Laws now in force for regulating the exportation of Fish and Lumber.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, Ordered, that the order of the day for going into Committee of the whole on the several Messages received from his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, upon the subject of the appropriations of the Revenue collected at the Customs in this Province, by virtue of the late Act of Parliament, be discharged; and further ordered, that the House do go into Committee of the whole in consideration of the said Messages on Monday next.

Mr. *M'Kay*, by leave, presented a Petition from the Rev. Jerome Alley, Rector of the Parish of Saint Andrews, and the Trustees of the said Saint Andrews Parish School, setting forth that a tract of Land situate at Chamcook, in the said Parish of Saint Andrews, was by Letters Patent, granted to the Justices of the Peace for the County, in trust for the use and benefit of the Rector, and of the said Parish School, that a division had been made of the said Land, and the Parties put in possession of their respective shares, and praying that an Act may pass confirming such division.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. *Clarke*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to regulate the driving of Logs and Timber down the Rivers Saint Croix, Magaguadavic and Digdeguash, in the County of Charlotte.

Mr. *J. Wilmot*, took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Wilmot*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

Mr. *M'Kay* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to confirm a division made of certain Lands, situate at Chamcook, in the Parish of Saint Andrews, granted to the Justices of the County of Charlotte, in trust for the use and benefit of the Rector or Minister and Parish School of the same Parish.

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. *R. Simonds* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace in the County of Northumberland, to assess the Inhabitants of that County, for erecting a Court-House and Gaol.

Leave granted.

Mr. *Fraser* by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas Gill, senior, and others, inhabitants of the Parish of Saint Mary, setting forth that the Commissioners of Highways for that Parish, have changed the present line of the Road leading to Saint John, from where it now is, along the Bank of the River; and that the Commissioners are about to make application to the Legislature for aid towards building a bridge over Sterling's creek, where the new Road would cross the same, and praying that the Legislature will not grant money for that purpose.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the Table.

Mr. *Slason*, by leave, presented a Petition from Samuel Carman, and Allan M'Lean, Commissioners of Highways, for the Parish of Saint Mary, and other Inhabitants of the said Parish, setting forth that it was found necessary, that an alteration should be made on the Road below the Nashwalk, to extend along the Bank of the River Saint John, and that the same was established as required by Law, and praying that a sum may be granted to build a Bridge at Sterling's creek, in the same Parish where the said road crosses the same.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. *C. Simonds*, by leave, presented a Petition from Lloyd Johnston, of the Parish of Fredericton, Architect, praying that a sum may be granted him, for making plans and estimates for Government-House.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Slason* by leave, presented a Petition from William Wilmot, Esq. and others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Town and Parish of Fredericton, praying that an Act may pass establishing certain Public Landings in the said Town, and making them subject to the same Rules and Regulations, as the Streets and Highways in the said Parish are by Law subject to.

Which he read in his place.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. *Slason* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to establish and regulate Public Landing places in the Parish of Fredericton.

Leave granted.

Mr. *C. Simonds* Chairman of the Committee of Trade, to whom was referred that part of His Excellency's Speech, at the opening of the Session, relative to the Cash payments into the Treasurer: Reported that they had taken into their consideration this important subject, and had prepared a Bill under the title of "a Bill to repeal certain enactments, relative to the Revenue of this Province; and also to make provision for the better security of the said Revenue."

The Bill reported by the Committee, being handed in at the Clerk's table, was read a first time.

Mr. *Slason* pursuant to leave brought in a Bill to alter and amend an Act, to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House, within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same."

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Johnston* moved for leave, to bring in a Bill to alter and amend an Act for regulating the exportation of Fish and Lumber, and for repealing the Laws now in force regulating the same.

Leave granted.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 3d MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *C. Simonds* from the Committee of Trade, to whom was referred the Revenue Laws of the Province, Reported that they had attended to that duty, and had prepared a Bill under the title of a Bill to continue and amend an Act, intituled "An Act for raising a Revenue in this Province."

The Bill as reported being handed in at the Clerk's Table,
Was read a first time.

Read a second time, the following Bills:—

A Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of York, to build a new Gaol in the said County.

And a Bill to alter and amend "An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same."

Mr. *Campbell*, by leave, presented a Petition from Harris Hatch, Wm. Ker, and David W. Jack, Esqrs., Commissioners for the Sick and Disabled Seamen Fund, at the Port of Saint Andrews, setting forth that the present rate of the Tonnage Duty is not equal to the support of the Institution, and praying that an Act may pass laying a further duty of one penny per ton on vessels arriving at that port.

Which he read in his place, and satisfactory reason being given to the House, for the said Petition not having been offered within the time for receiving Petitions.

Ordered that the Petition be received and lie on the Table.

Mr. *Campbell*, moved for leave, to bring in a Bill to make additional provision for Sick and Disabled Seamen, not being paupers belonging to this Province.

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. *M'Kay*, by leave, presented a Petition from James M'Math, and others House Carpenters, residing in the Town of Saint Andrews, praying that an Act may pass, prohibiting all Aliens, being House Carpenters, employing Journeymen, or Apprentices in this Province.

Which he read in his place, and a satisfactory reason being given to the House for the said Petition not having been offered within the time limited for receiving Petitions,

Ordered that the Petition be received and lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill in addition to an Act, further to provide for the security of the City of Saint John, against the ravages of fire.

Mr. *R. Simonds* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr.

M. Simonds from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with amendments.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted, and the Bill as amended engrossed.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill for directing the Registry Offices in the several Counties of this Province, to be kept in the Shire or County Towns.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that *Mr. M. Wilmot* and *Mr. Scott*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to grant to *George Thompson*, the exclusive right to discharge Ballast from Ships afloat in the Harbour of Saint John, with Vessels or Lighters, upon a new and improved construction.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that *Mr. C. Simonds*, and *Mr. Johnston*, carry the said bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill in further amendment of an Act, intituled "An Act subjecting Real Estates in the Province of New-Brunswick to the payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriff in his proceedings thereon."

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that *Mr. Parker*, and *Mr. Crane*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill for appointing Firewards in the Town of Saint Andrews, and ascertaining their power and duty, and more effectually to prevent Fires in the said Town.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that *Mr. Campbell*, and *Mr. Clarke*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs," and to make more effectual provision for the prevention thereof."

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered, that *Mr. Allen*, and *Mr. Dow*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. Smith, Chairman of the Committee appointed to examine, liquidate and report on Public and Private Accounts, submitted a further Report.

Which he read in his place, and is as follows:—

C. Is the Account of *Wm. F. Odell, Esq.*, for issuing 590 Warrants, at 5s. each, amounting to £147 : 10 : 0, between the 9th of February, 1826, and the 13th February 1827.

D. Is the annual Account from the Commissioners of the Marine Hospital at Saint John, with a Report and Vouchers, which are in all respects satisfactory.

By this Account it appears, that the Commissioners have expended in the support of that Institution, in the year 1826, the sum of £598 : 2 : 8 and they give credit for money received from the Province Treasurer, from 1st January, to 31st August 1826, to the amount of £465, leaving a balance due to the Commissioners of £133 : 2 : 8.

A letter accompanied the above Report, from the Medical Officer, in which he recommends the purchase of an additional piece of ground adjoining the Hospital, for reasons which he states in the Letter, and which appears to be satisfactory.

The Report being again read, at the Clerk's Table, was Ordered to be accepted.

Mr. *McKay*, moved for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the erection of a Light House on the Western Seal Island, in the Bay of Fundy.

And upon the question being put for granting leave, it was carried in the negative.

On motion of Mr. *J. Wilmot*, the House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Laws now in force for regulating the exportation of Fish and Lumber.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Odell* delivered the Message.

"NEW-BRUNSWICK,

"MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

"3d MARCH, 1827.

"HOWARD DOUGLAS.

"The Lieutenant-Governor in answer to the Address of the House on the subject of a revised Edition of the Province Laws, directs to be laid before the House, the accompanying statement, made by the Gentleman who had been employed on this service.

"The House will perceive by this statement, that the order already made, extends only to the Printing of the Laws up to the end of the Session of 1823. The Lieutenant-Governor recommends the House of Assembly to make Provision for the completion of the whole to the close of the present Session.

"H. D."

The House then adjourned until Monday morning next, at 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, 5th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, The House went into Committee of the whole on the Report of the select Committee appointed to ascertain what sums would be required for the improvement of Roads throughout the Province.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that he was directed to report that the Committee had passed the following Resolution:—

"Resolved, that in the opinion of this Committee, the Report of the Committee appointed to take into consideration what sums may be necessary for the improvement of all the Communications throughout the Province, and

"for

for opening Roads to new Settlements, be sustained, and that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply."

Ordered that the Report be accepted.

Read a second time, the following Bills:—

A Bill in amendment of the Act for the regulation of the Militia, so far as respects the City of Saint John.

A Bill to make further provision for sick and disabled Seamen, not being Paupers, belonging to this Province.

A Bill to continue and amend an Act, intituled "An Act for raising a Revenue in this Province."

A Bill to repeal certain enactments, relative to the Revenue of this Province; and also, to make provision for the better security of the said Revenue."

And a Bill to confirm a division made of certain Lands, situate at Chamcook, in the Parish of Saint Andrews, granted to the Justices of the County of Charlotte, in trust for the use and benefit of the Rector or Minister and Parish School of the same Parish.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for the better examining and auditing the Public Accounts of this Province."

And upon the question that the Bill do pass, the House divided equally, and it was decided from the Chair in the affirmative.

Ordered that Mr. *J. Wilmot*, and Mr. *M'Kay*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill for erecting the Northwestern part of the Town or Parish of Waterborough, in Queens County, into a separate Town or Parish.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Scovil* and Mr. *Peters*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to alter and amend the Laws now in force relating to the establishment, regulation, and improvement of the Great Roads throughout the Province, and to make more effectual provision for the same.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Crane*, and Mr. *Smith*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. *R. Simonds* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to extend an Act, intituled "An Act to prevent the bringing of infectious Distempers into the City of Saint John," to the County of Northumberland.

Leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Slason*, the House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill for the better regulating Gaols in this Province.

Mr. *M'Kay* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *M'Kay*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made further progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the report be accepted and leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Clarke*, the House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Laws now in force for regulating the exportation of Fish and Lumber.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and that in the Committee it was moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for three months.

And upon the question being put thereon, the Committee divided,

And it was carried in the affirmative.

Ordered that the Report be accepted.

On motion of Mr. *Clark*, The House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to regulate the driving of Saw Logs and Timber down the Rivers Saint Croix, Magaguadavic and Digdeguash, in the County of Charlotte.

Mr. *J. Wilmot*, took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Wilmot*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, The House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to lay a Tax on Dogs, in the Parish of Fredericton.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with amendments, under the title of a Bill to lay a Tax on Dogs, in certain parts of the Parishes of Fredericton and Saint Andrews.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted, and the Bill as amended engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, Ordered, that the order of the day for going into Committee of the whole House, in consideration of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Messages, relating to the appropriations of the Revenue collected at the Custom Houses in this Province, by virtue of the late Act of Parliament, be again discharged.

Ordered, that the House do go into Committee on the said Messages, on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. *R. Simonds*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to regulate the Bass Fishery in the River Richibucto, and its branches.

Mr. *Allen* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Allen*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered that the report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 6th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill in amendment of the Act for the regulation of the Militia, so far as respects the City of St. John.

Mr.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

There not being sufficient Members in attendance,

The House adjourned until twelve o'clock.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to make further provision for sick and disabled Seamen, not being Paupers, belonging to this Province.

Mr. *Vail* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Vail*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with amendments.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Odell* delivered the Message.

“NEW-BRUNSWICK.

“MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

“6th MARCH, 1827.

“HOWARD DOUGLAS.

“The Lieutenant-Governor directs to be laid before the House of Assembly, a Report from the Governor and Trustees of the College of New-Brunswick of the Contract entered into by them, for the erection of a College building.”

“H. D.”

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to confirm a division made of certain Lands situate at Chamcook, in the Parish of Saint Andrews, granted to the Justices of the County of Charlotte, in trust for the use and benefit of the Rector or Minister and Parish School of the same Parish.

Mr. *C. Simonds* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Simonds*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered that the report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Odell*, by command of His Excellency, laid before the House a Report from R. C. Minette, Esq., of the Survey made by him, in obedience to the Command of His Excellency, of a new line of Road from the Miramichi River to the Towns of Bathurst and Dalhousie, on the Bay of Chaleur, together with plans of the Survey, and also a plan of a Town Plot, laid out at the forks of the Miramichi River.

On motion of Mr. *Clarke*, the House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to regulate the driving of Logs and Timber down the Rivers St. Croix, Magaguadavic, and Digdeguash, in the County of Charlotte.

Mr.

Mr. *J. Wilmot* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Wilmot*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments, under the title of a Bill to empower the Justices of the County of Charlotte, to make regulations for the driving Timber and Logs down the Rivers Saint Croix, Magaguadavic, and Digdeguash, and their branches.

Ordered that the report be accepted and the bill as amended engrossed.

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. Justice *Botsford* delivered the following Message :

“ Mr. *Speaker*,

“ I am directed to inform this House, that the Council have agreed to

A Bill to prevent unnecessary delay and expence in proceeding against persons having privilege of the General Assembly.

A Bill to continue the Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of St. Andrews.

A Bill in further amendment of an Act, subjecting Real Estates to the payment of Debts.

A Bill to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church in Fredericton, to convey a certain piece of the Glebe Land.

A Bill to continue and amend an Act for regulating the inspection of Fish.

A Bill for the more easy assessment of damages in actions on Bonds, payable by instalments :

And the Council have also agreed to a Bill to provide for the registering of Judgments and Recognizances, which are intended to bind or affect Real Estates, with amendments, and to which they desire the concurrence of this Honourable House.”

And then Mr. Justice *Botsford* withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, The House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to authorize Dissenting Ministers of the Gospel, being ordained and settled, to solemnize Marriage in this Province.

Mr. *Parker* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Parker*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments, under the title of a Bill to authorize certain Ministers of Congregations, dissenting from the Established Church, to solemnize Marriage.

Ordered that the report be accepted, and the Bill as amended engrossed.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 7th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*—“ Resolved that an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to give directions to the Commissioners appointed under the Act passed at the last Session, to provide for the re-building of Government-House, to lay before this House a statement of the Contracts they have entered into

into for that purpose, and further praying that His Excellency will be pleased to inform the House whether any, and what monies have been placed at the disposal of the said Commissioners, in addition to the sum appropriated by the Legislature."

Ordered, that Mr. *Parker*, Mr. *Johnston*, and Mr. *Smith*, be a Committee to present the said Address to His Excellency.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*—Resolved that the Report of the College Board, laid before the House by Message, from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report thereon.

Ordered that Mr. *Parker*, Mr. *C. Simonds*, and Mr. *Johnston*, be a Committee for that purpose.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to regulate the Bass Fishery in the River Richibucto, and its branches.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Scott*, and Mr. *M. Wilmot*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to lay a Tax on Dogs in certain parts of the Parishes of Fredericton and Saint Andrews.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Slason*, and Mr. *Campbell*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill in addition to an Act, further to provide for the security of the City of Saint John, against the ravages of fire.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Parker* and Mr. *Johnston*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to empower the Justices of the County of Charlotte, to make regulations for the driving Timber and Logs down the Rivers Saint Croix, Magaguadavic, and Digdeguash, and their branches.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered, that Mr. *M. Kay*, and Mr. *Clarke*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Council, to the Bill to provide for the registering of Judgments and Recognizances, which are intended to bind or affect Real Estates.

Which amendments being severally read, and the question put thereon, Resolved that the House do agree to the same.

Ordered that Mr. *Parker*, and Mr. *Smith*, do return the Bill with the amendments to the Council, and inform them that the House have concurred therein.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, The House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to ratify the purchase made of a House and Lot for a Marine Hospital, for the City and Port of Saint John, and to secure the title thereto for that use.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments, under the title of a Bill to ratify the purchase made of a House and Lot for a Marine Hospital, for the City and Port of Saint John, and for vesting the

title thereto, in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, for the purpose aforesaid.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. *Shore* delivered the following Message:

“ Mr. *Speaker*,

“ I am directed to inform this House, that the Council have agreed to a Bill to regulate the Herring Fishery in the Parishes of Grand Manan, West-Isles, Campo-Bello, Pennfield, and Saint George, in the County of Charlotte, and to provide for the inspection of Smoked Herrings, in the said Parishes, with amendments, to which amendments they request the concurrence of this Honourable House.

And then Mr. *Shore* withdrew.

The House then proceeded to take into consideration the said amendments, and they being severally read and the question put thereon,

Resolved that the House do agree to the same.

Ordered that Mr. *Clarke*, and Mr. *Smith* do return the Bill with the amendments to the Council, and inform them that the House have concurred therein.

On motion of Mr. *Slason*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of York, to build a new Gaol in the said County.

Mr. *J. Wilmot*, took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Wilmot*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and that in the Committee it was resolved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for three months.

Ordered that the Report be accepted.

On motion of Mr. *Slason*, The House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to alter and amend “ An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same.”

Mr. *C. Simonds* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Simonds*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made progress therein, and that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered. that the report be accepted and leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Allen*, Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Honorable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had upon a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled “ An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House within the County of York and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same,” as far as respects the Parishes of Queensbury and Prince William.

Ordered that Mr. *Allen*, and Mr. *Slason*, be a Committee for that purpose.

There being a Meeting of the New Brunswick Agricultural and Emigrant Society,

The House adjourned for one hour.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Ordered, that the order of the day for going into Committee of the whole House, in consideration of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Messages, relating

relating to the appropriations of the Revenue collected at the Custom Houses in this Province, by virtue of the late Act of Parliament, be again discharged.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 8th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.
Mr. Secretary *Odell* delivered the following Messages.

“NEW-BRUNSWICK.

“MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

“FREDERICTON, 7th MARCH, 1827.

“HOWARD DOUGLAS.

“The Lieutenant-Governor has much gratification in acquainting the House of Assembly, that the Bonds given in the years 1818, 1819, 1820, and 1821, for Licences to cut Timber on Crown Lands, amounting to £8201 : 13 : 4 have been cancelled agreeably to the direction of Earl BATHURST, of the 31st July last, in compliance with the Address of the House of Assembly, transmitted to His Lordship : And the Lieutenant-Governor has directed to be laid before the House, a list of those Bonds, with the Certificates of the cancelling of them.”

“H. D.”

“NEW-BRUNSWICK.

“MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

“FREDERICTON, 7th MARCH, 1827.

“HOWARD DOUGLAS.

“The Lieutenant-Governor acquaints the House of Assembly, that with a view to ascertain the practicability of removing certain obstructions and impediments in the River Saint John, the main channel of the internal communication of the Country, the Lieutenant-Governor has caused Surveys, Plans, Sections, and Reports, to be made, on the nature of those obstructions and impediments, and on the means of removing them. These Plans and Documents are herewith laid before the House. For the expense of these preliminary operations, the House of Assembly have already made provision; and the Lieutenant-Governor is persuaded that whenever he can present to the House any well ascertained method, and accurately estimated rate of cost, by which the great object in view may be accomplished, that the House of Assembly will apply to so important and useful a Work, whatever it may be prudent to expend upon it, with just regard to the other claims, and to the state of the finances.”

“H. D.”

On motion of Mr. *Crane*, Resolved that a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Honorable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had on a Bill to amend an Act, intituled “An Act for the encouragement of Parish Schools in this Province.”

Ordered that Mr. *Crane*, and Mr. *Scott*, be a Committee for that purpose.

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The House went into Committee of the whole, in further consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, Reported; that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that in the Committee a number of Resolutions were made, which he read, and delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again severally read, and agreed to by the House, and are as follow :

Resolved that there be granted to three such Commissioners as His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Commander-in-Chief may appoint, the sum of £150, for the support of a Packet, to ply between Digby and Saint John, for one year, to commence the 5th day of April next, provided no Packet is established at the exclusive expense of the General Post-Office.

To John Boyd, Inoculating Surgeon, for the Vaccine Institution, the sum of £40 for services performed in the year 1826.

To the Adjutants of the Militia of the different Counties of this Province, a sum not exceeding £225, for the year 1827.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, the sum of £400 as a Provision for two Officers to inspect and instruct the several Regiments and Battalions of Militia in this Province, for the year 1827.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in-Chief, a sum not exceeding £125, to pay the Sergeant-Majors of Militia of this Province, for the time being, who are actually employed ; provided that each Serjeant-Major, who shall appear by a Certificate from his Commanding Officer to have faithfully performed his duty, shall receive a sum not exceeding £7 : 10 in each year.

To the Adjutant-General of the Militia Forces, the sum of £100 for the duties of his Office, for the year 1827.

To David W. Jack, Tide Surveyor, at the Port of Saint Andrews, for his services from the 1st day of April, 1826, to the 1st day of April 1827, the sum of £182 : 10.

To James Bennet, Tide Surveyor, at the Port of Saint John, for his services from the 1st day of February, 1826, to the 1st day of February 1827, the sum of £182 : 10.

And further Resolved, that in the opinion of this Committee the grant to the Tide Surveyor at Saint Andrews is much too high, and far beyond what would be an equitable compensation for the duties of that office, and that the grant of the present Session, shall not be drawn into a precedent for making further grants for such offices : And the Committee are further of opinion, that £100 per annum would be an ample compensation to such officers.

That there be granted to William Abrams, and William Ball, the sum of £91 : 5 : 0, each for their services as Tide-Waiters at the Port of Saint John, from the 1st day of February, 1826, to the 1st day of February, 1827.

And Mr. *Smith* further reported, that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

Mr. *Allen*, from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings had been had upon a Bill to repeal an Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House, within

within the County of York, so far as respects the Parishes of Queensbury and Prince William: Reported that they had attended to that duty, and found the following entry:—

“*Council Chamber, Tuesday, 6th March, 1827.*”

“Resolved that the further consideration of the Bill to repeal an Act, intituled “An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same,” so far as respects the Parishes of Queensbury and Prince William, be put off for three months.”

On motion of Mr. Scott, Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Honorable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had upon a Bill to encourage the destruction of Bears in this Province.

Ordered that Mr. Scott, and Mr. M. Wilmot, be a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. Parker, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Address of the House respecting the rebuilding of Government-House. Reported that they had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to make the following Report:—

“*Fredericton, 8th March, 1827.*”

“The Lieutenant-Governor, in answer to the Address of the House of Assembly, acquaints the House, that he will immediately give directions to the Commissioners appointed under the Act past in the last Session, to provide for the building of Government-House, to lay before the House a statement of the Contracts they have entered into for that purpose. The Lieutenant-Governor also acquaints the House, that no monies have been placed at the disposal of the said Commissioners, in addition to the sum appropriated by the Legislature, but that the Secretary of State, in answer to an application from the Lieutenant-Governor, has expressed a disposition to recommend to His Majesty to grant some aid towards the expense to be incurred by the Province in the erection of a new Government-House, in the event of the King’s Revenue continuing to maintain itself without diminution.”

On motion of Mr. Allen, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled “An Act against the profanation of the Lord’s day, commonly called Sunday,” and to make more effectual provision for the same.”

Mr. Johnston took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Johnston, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments, under the title of a Bill to repeal an Act intituled “An Act against the profanation of the Lord’s day, commonly called Sunday, and for the suppression of immorality,” and to make more effectual provisions for the prevention and punishment of such offences.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted, and the Bill as amended engrossed.

Mr. C. Simonds moved for leave to bring in a Bill for erecting and maintaining a Light House on Point Le Preau, in the Bay of Fundy.

And upon the question for granting leave, it was carried in the negative.

Mr. R. Simonds, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace in the County of Northumberland, to assess the inhabitants of that County for erecting a Court-House and Gaol.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to extend an Act, intituled "An Act to prevent the bringing of infectious Distempers into the City of Saint John," to the County of Northumberland.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *McKay* moved the following Resolution:—

"Whereas it has been considered necessary by this House, that a Deputy Treasurer should be appointed at West Isles and Campo Bello, in the County of Charlotte, for the convenience of the resident Merchants and Ship Owners in that part of the Province engaged in the West India Trade.

"Therefore Resolved, that an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Province Treasurer to appoint a suitable person to discharge the duties of Deputy-Treasurer at either of the aforesaid places."

And upon the question being put thereon,

The House divided, YEAS 9. NAYS 10.

It was carried in the negative,

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. *Hurd* delivered the following Message:

"Mr. *Speaker*,

"I am directed to inform this House, that the Council have agreed to a Bill further to alter and amend An Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce, and for preventing and punishing Incest, Adultery, and Fornication.

And a Bill to alter and amend the Laws relating to the establishment, regulation, and improvement of the Great Roads.

And they have likewise agreed to a Bill to continue an Act, intituled "An Act for the better examining and auditing the Public Accounts of this Province."

And a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs," and to make other and more effectual provision for the prevention thereof, with amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honourable House."

And then Mr. *Hurd* withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment, made by the Council to the Bill to continue an Act intituled "An Act for the better examining and auditing the Public Accounts of this Province."

And the amendment, being read and the question put thereon, it was not concurred in by the House.

The House proceed to take into consideration the amendments made by the Council to the Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs," and to make other and more effectual provision for the prevention thereof.

The amendment, being severally read, and the question put for passing the same.

Resolved that the House do concur therein.

Ordered that Mr. *Allen*, and Mr. *C. Simonds*, do return the Bill with the amendments to the Council, and inform them that the House have concurred therein.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, Ordered that the House do go into Committee of

the whole, on Bill to repeal certain enactments relative to the Revenue of this Province, and also to make provision for the better security of the said Revenue, to-morrow.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 9th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Read a second time,

A Bill to extend an Act intituled "An Act, to prevent the bringing of infectious Distempers into the City of Saint John," to the County of Northumberland.

And a Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland, to assess the Inhabitants of that County, for erecting a Court-House and Gaol.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*,—"Whereas much of the time of the House is unnecessarily taken up in discussions on Bills of a private or local nature, introduced sometimes without any Petitions from the Counties and Persons which they are intended to affect; and frequently containing such provisions as are not justified by the Petitions: Therefore Resolved, that in future it be a standing Rule of this House, not to be departed from, except in very particular cases; that no Bill of a private or local nature shall be received by the House, unless such Bill has been previously read at some General Sessions of the Peace for the County interested in such Bill; and a Certificate be endorsed thereon by the Clerk of the Peace, that the same was so read in open Court."

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill for the better regulating Gaols in this Province.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Stason*, and Mr. *J. Wilmot*, carry the said Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill in amendment of the Act for the regulation of the Militia, so far as respects the City of St. John.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *M^r Kay* and Mr. *Johnston*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to make further provision for sick and disabled Seamen, not being Paupers, belonging to this Province.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered, that Mr. *Campbell*, and Mr. *Munro*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to authorize certain Ministers of Congregations, dissenting from the Established Church, to solemnize Marriage.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered, that Mr. *Scott*, and Mr. *M. Wilmot*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to ratify the purchase made of a House and Lot for a Marine Hospital, for the City and Port of Saint John, and for vesting the title thereto in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, for the purpose aforesaid.

Resolved

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Parker*, and Mr. *J. Wilmot*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to confirm a division made of certain Lands situate at Chamcook, in the Parish of Saint Andrews, granted to the Justices of the County of Charlotte, in trust for the use and benefit of the Rector or Minister and Parish School of the same Parish.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Campbell*, and Mr. *Clarke*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. *C. Simonds* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for erecting and maintaining a Light House on Point Escuminac, in the County of Northumberland, and for other important objects connected with the Navigation of the Gulf of Saint Lawrence.

And upon the question for granting leave, it was carried in the negative.

On motion of Mr. *R. Simonds*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland, to assess the Inhabitants of that County, for erecting a Court-House and Gaol.

Mr. *Vail* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Vail*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with an amendment, under the title of a Bill to provide for the erection of a new Court-House and Gaol in the County of Northumberland.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *R. Simonds*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to extend an Act, intituled "An Act to prevent the bringing of infectious distempers into the City of Saint John," to the County of Northumberland.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, under the title of a Bill to make more effectual provision for preventing the importation or spreading of infectious distempers within the Towns or Settlements on the River Miramichi.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and the Bill engrossed, under the title as amended.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, The House, according to the order of the day, went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to repeal certain enactments relative to the Revenue of this Province; and also to make provision for the better security of the said Revenue.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered that the report be accepted, and the bill engrossed.

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. Justice *Botsford* delivered the following Message:—

“Mr.

Mr. Speaker,

I am directed to inform this House, that the Council have agreed to the following Bills :

A Bill to empower the Justices of Charlotte, to make regulations for driving Timber and Logs down the Rivers St Croix, Maguadavic, and Digdeguash.

A Bill for erecting the Northeastern parts of Westmorland, into a distinct Town or Parish.

A Bill for erecting the Northwestern part of the Town or Parish of Waterborough, into a separate Town or Parish.

And a Bill to regulate the Bass Fishery in Richibucto;

And they have likewise agreed to

A Bill to lay a Tax on Dogs in certain parts of the Parishes of Fredericton and Saint Andrews, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this Honourable House."

And then Mr. Justice *Botsford* withdrew.

The House then proceeded to take into consideration the said amendments and they being severally read and the question put thereon, they were not concurred in by the House.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, the House went into Committee of the whole on a Bill to continue and amend an Act, intituled "An Act for raising a Revenue in this Province."

Mr. *Crane* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Crane* from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

Mr. *Allen* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the better support of the poor in the Parishes of Fredericton and Saint Andrews.

Leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *Campbell*, Resolved that a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Honorable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had on on a Bill for appointing Firewards in the Town of Saint Andrews, and ascertaining their power and duty, and more effectually to prevent Fires in the said Town.

Ordered that Mr. *Campbell* and Mr. *Clarke*, be a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. *Crane*, from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Honorable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings were had upon a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Parish Schools in this Province,"

Reported that they had attended to that duty, and found the following entry :—

" Council Chamber, Monday, 5th March, 1827.

" Read a second time, the Bill to amend the Act for the encouragement of Parish Schools.

" On motion—Resolved, that the further consideration of this Bill, be put off for three months."

Mr. *Scott*, from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Honorable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had upon a Bill to encourage the destruction of Bears this Province,

Reported that they had attended to that duty, and found the following entry :—

“ Council Chamber, Tuesday 6th March, 1827.

“ Resolved that the further consideration of the Bill to encourage the destruction of Bears in this Province, be put off for three months.”

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 10th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*—Ordered that the House do on Monday next go into Committee of the whole in consideration of the Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, relating to the Appropriations of the Revenue collected at the Custom Houses in this Province, by virtue of the late Act of Parliament.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to repeal an Act intituled “An Act against the profanation of the Lord’s day, commonly called Sunday, and for the suppression of immorality,” and to make more effectual provision for the prevention and punishment of such offences.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Allen*, and Mr. *Dow*, carry the said Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Vail*, The House went into Committee of the whole, in further consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that in the Committee a number of Resolutions were made, which he read, and delivered them in at the Clerk’s Table, where they were again severally read, and agreed to by the House, and are as follow :

Resolved that there be granted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, for the time being, the following sums for the improvement of the Great Road, of Communication, throughout the Province :

The sum of £650 for the Great Road from Fredericton to the Canada Line, that £400 of the said sum be expended in improving the Great Road from Fredericton to the Ferry at Wolverton’s and the remaining sum of £250 be expended in improving the Great Road from thence to the Presqu’ Isle, leading to the Canada line.

The sum of £750 for the Great Road from Fredericton to Restigouche; £350 of this sum to be laid out on that part of the said Great Road which lies between the River Miramichi and Bathurst ; and that the amount due to Robert Doak, be paid out of the balance.

The sum of £200 for the Great Road from Fredericton to the Finger-board.

The sum of £600 for the Great Road from Saint John to Saint Andrews.

The sum of £100 for the Great Road from Dorchester to Chediac, £46:17:6 of the said sum to be paid to Benjamin Charters, to complete the bridge on the said Great Road over Memramcook River.

The sum of £200 for the Great Road from Saint John to the head of the Bellisle.

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The sum of £100 for the Great Road from the Bend of the Peticodiac to Chediac.

The sum of £200 for the Great Road from Fredericton to St. Andrews, £150 of the said sum to build a Bridge over Steward's Creek, and to repair the Road from Bradford's to Connick's and the remainder for exploring a new line of Road.

The sum of £1000 for the Great Road from Fredericton to Saint John, by way of the Nerepis.

The sum of £600 for the Great Road from Chediac to Chatham; £200 of this sum to be expended between Richibucto and Chediac, and £100 to be expended in repairing the Bridge over Chediac River.

The sum of £600 for the Great Road from Saint John to the River Misse-quash.

That the sum of £500 be granted in addition to the sum already appropriated for the Great Road from Fredericton to Saint John, by way of the Nerepis, provided the like sum of £500 from the Casual Revenue, be applied to the same purpose.

And further resolved, that there be granted the following sums for the improvement of Bye Roads and Bridges in the several Counties throughout the Province:—

KINGS COUNTY.

The sum of £35 for the road from Pickett's Mill to the Kenebeckasis.

The sum of £30 for the road from near Mabee's to the Kenebeckasis.

The sum of £15 for the new road from Nicholas Roache's to the North Branch of Hammond River.

The sum of £15 for the road from Benjamin Parlee's to the head of the settlement on Trout Creek.

The sum of £30 for the road from John Hennigar's to Hammond River.

The sum of £20 for the road from Henry Repert's to the late William Spence's Farm.

The sum of £10 for the road from Salmon River near Hallett's to Joseph Darling's.

The sum of £20 for the road from Snider's to Keirstead's Millstream on the Kenebeckasis.

The sum of £15 for the road from Nelson Nelson's to Isaac Perry's.

The sum of £15 for the road from Barnes' to the road near Smith's Saw Mill.

The sum of £10 for the road from Holder's to William Long's upper line.

The sum of £15 for the road from near James Campbell's on the North Branch to the Kenebeckasis.

The sum of £10 for the road from Henry Stockton's to Beaches's.

The sum of £15 for the road from Brittain's Millstream to the Nerepis Vale.

The sum of £15 for the road from the head of Bellisle to Gutheries.

The sum of £15 for the road from the Lake on the North Branch to the North Stream on Hammond River.

The sum of £15 for the road from the Widow Shaw's to the Main Road near Worden's Ferry.

The sum of £10 for the road from Nathaniel Johnston's to Joseph Darling's.

The sum of £10 to assist in completing the Bridge over Salmon River near Peter Cogle's.

The sum of £10 for the road from James Parker's to the old Cumberland road.

The sum of £10 for the road from David Hayward's to Currey's.

The sum of £10 for the road from Elias Snider's to the head of the Settlement on Salmon river.

The sum of £10 for the road from Widow Flewelling's to Robert Conley's.

The sum of £10 for the road from James Ryan's to James Nowland's.

The sum of £10 for the road from Gondola Point to John Wright's.

The sum of £15 for the road from the North Stream near the salt Springs, to Charles Robinson's.

The sum of £10 for the road from near Henry Bulyea's to the Settlement of William M. Leck, Esq. and others.

The sum of £10 to assist in building the bridge over Dunham's Millstream on the Southeast side of Long Reach.

The sum of £20 for the road from Goram's Bluff to the main Road near Bates'

The sum of £10 for the road from the Forks of Hammond River to the Settlement of David Sherwood and others.

The sum of £10 for the road from Joseph Barnes' to James Love's on the Southeast side of Hammond River.

The sum of £20 for the road from Alexander Burnet's to the main road near Seth Foster's.

The sum of £10 for the road from the English Settlement to the road near Good's Mill.

The sum of £10 for the road from David Park's to Fairweather's Mill.

The sum of £10 for the road from J. E. Davis' to Fairweather's Mill.

The sum of £15 for the road from near the old Church in Springfield to the Scotch Settlement.

The sum of £15 for the road from the Millstream road, by the way of Henry Parlee's to Dibblee's Mill.

The sum of £10 for the road from Sealey's Point to Long reach.

The sum of £10 for the road from the bridge over Smith's Creek near James Sproul's to the road leading from Smith's Creek, by the way of Jacob Snider's.

The sum of £10 for the road from Elias Snider's Mill to the main road near John Davison's.

The sum £15 for the road and bridge near Andrew Sherwood, sen. in Hampton.

The sum of £10 for the road from the bridge over the Kenebec brook, to the bridge over the Mill stream near Henry Sharp's.

The sum of £10 for the cross road from the Great Road above Lewis Pickett's, to the Kenebeckasis.

The sum of £15 for the road from the upper line of Daniel Pugslev's on the Northeast side of Salmon River to Robert Colpitt's; and from thence to the main road.

QUEENS COUNTY.

The sum of £20 for the road from Richard Currie's jun. to the high land upon Indian Point.

The sum of £25 for the road from the Washademoack Lake, near Salmon Creek, to the Scotch Settlement.

The sum of £30 for the road from William Slip's to the Jerusalem Settlement.

The sum of £10 for the road from New Canaan to Studholm's Millstream.
The sum of £40 for the road from Young's Cove to the head of the Grand Lake.

The sum of £15 for the road from Wm. Robertson's to Yeamans' Mill.
The sum of £60 for the road from the North side of the Maquapit Lake to Newcastle, at the head of the Grand Lake.

The sum of £15 for the road from Shaw's to Kings County line.

The sum of £50 for the road from the Otnabog, leading to Kings County.

The sum of £15 to complete a bridge across Duck Creek.

The sum of £10 to complete a Bridge across a Creek in the rear of John Eale's.

The sum of £15 for a bridge across Sand's Creek, on the South side of the Grand Lake.

The sum of £15 for the road leading from Newcastle to the road between the Grand and Maquapit Lakes.

The sum of £30 for the road from Coote Hill, to the Settlement back of Kemble's manor.

The sum of £30 for the road from Cain's to the Shannon Settlement.

The sum of £15 for opening and improving a road leading to a Settlement in the rear of Dingee's Mill.

The sum of £75 for exploring and opening a road from Gage-Town to the Nerepis.

The sum of £30 granted for the road from the head of Lewis' Cove to the Shannon Settlement, in the year 1825, be re-appropriated and laid out on the road from that Settlement to Fairweather's Mill.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY.

PARISH OF ST. STEPHENS.

The sum of £30 in aid of statute labour for the new road from Daniel Brown's to the Ledge.

The sum of £50 in aid of statute labour for the Road between Josiah Hitching's and the burnt land in Saint James, a sufficient part of which sum to be applied in altering the road at Kendrick's Hill.

SAINT JAMES.

The sum of £30 for the road from the Scotch Settlement, upon the main river ridge, to communicate with the main road at Stewart's Mill.

The sum of £25 for the road from Chiputnecticut Settlement, to the Basswood ridge.

The sum of £25 for the road from Robert Spense's to the main river.

The sum of £25 for aiding the Inhabitants upon the Chiputnecticut ridge to open a road to Stewart's Mill.

ST. DAVID.

The sum of £30 for repairing the bridge and Causeway upon the road between St. Davids and St. Stephens, damaged by the late Freshet.

The sum of £35 for the road from Tower-Hill to Oak Bay.

The sum of £15 for the road from Sherman's to Smith's.

The sum of £25 for the road between Sullivan's and Connick's.

ST. PATRICK.

The sum of £75 for rebuilding a bridge across the Digdeguash river, near M'Donald's carried away by the late freshet.

The sum of £25 for improving the road from the said bridge, through the wilderness to the Saltwater.

The sum of £25 to assist the inhabitants upon the Fredericton road, near Pleasant ridge, to open a road from thence to M'Farlan's mill.

SAINT GEORGE.

The sum of £40 for improving the Road through the wilderness, from John Dick's Farm to Neal M'Nicols.

The sum of £20 for repairing the road from Charles Bullock's Farm Lot, to the North line of Samuel Wallace's.

The sum of £25 for removing Rocks and cutting down a steep Hill, upon the road between Ashe's Farm, and Daniel Lee's lot upon the Western side of the Magaugadavick river.

The sum of £50 for erecting a bridge across Millikin's brook, carried away by the late Freshet, and causewaying a deep slough, contiguous thereto, upon the road leading from the second falls of the Magaugadavic River, to the new Settlements upon the Fredericton road.

PENNFIELD.

The sum of £25 for the road from the new settlement to the mouth of New river, to communicate with the Great road leading from Saint John to Saint Andrews.

GRAND MANAN.

The sum of £50 for the road from the Swallows tail, to the Church at Grand Harbour.

NORTHUMBERLAND BYE ROADS.

The sum of £80 towards finishing a bridge over Caul's cove.

The sum of £80 for building a bridge over the Lower mill cove, nearly opposite Middle Island, in the place of the one destroyed by fire.

The sum of £20 for the road from Turner's Cove to Barnaby's river.

The sum of £27 for opening a road from the Northwest branch of Miramichi to the Williamston settlement.

The sum of £20 towards building a Bridge over Black Brook.

The sum of £80 for the road from Bartabogue to Tabusintac.

The sum of £73 for improving the road on the North and South of the River Richibucto, in the Parish of Carleton.

The sum £30 to improve the line of road from Jacob Tagues' Farm up to Bass River, in the Parish of Saumarez.

The sum of £30 to erect a bridge over the Pabineau stream on the line of road leading up the West side of Big River Nepisiquit.

The sum of £13 to improve the road and M'Donald's bridge, in Youghal Cove, in the Port of Saint Peters.

The sum of £20 to continue the improvement of the new Road in the rear of the Mill Tract, northward to Nigadow stream, at Little Nepisquit in the Parish of Beresford.

The sum of £22: 10: 0 to extend the said line of road up the North side of the Millstream, to enable new Settlers to reach the third concession.

The sum of £20 to improve the line on the south side above the Milltract, in continuation of the Grant of last Session.

The sum of £13 to open and improve the line from the rear of Charles Commeaux's improvements, to the new Cross Road in the 2d concession, in the rear of the Milltract Little Nepisquit.

COUNTY OF ST. JOHN.

The sum of £25 for the road from Smith's at the head of the first Lake to McAdam's Farm.

The sum of £100 for the road from Frog Pond to the bridge at Loch Lomond.

The sum of £25 for the road from the bridge at Loch Lomond to Smith's Farm at the head of the first Lake.

The sum of £100 for the road from William Wilmot's Farm on the Quacco road, into the Settlement.

The sum of £60 for the road from Loch Lomond, through the back Settlement, to Garden's creek, and thence to the Quacco road.

The sum of £40 for the road from the head of the upper Loch Lomond, to Barn's Mill.

The sum of £50 for the road from Blakslee's Farm to Little River, and across the marsh near Little River bridge.

The sum of £25 for the road from Little River to Loch Lomond.

The sum of £25 for the road from the Westmorland road, through the Golden Grove Settlement to Godso's Farm.

The sum of £25 for building a bridge over the Mispick River near the Settlement.

The sum of £40 for the road from the entrance of Musquash Harbour to the Great Road.

The sum of £75 for the road from Little River to Black River.

The sum of £35 for the road from the Quacco road to the Millikin Settlement.

WESTMORLAND.

The sum of £60 for the road from Stephen Ward's to the Bay Vert.

The sum of £15 for the road from Bay Vert to Tignish River.

The sum of £50 for the road from Bay Vert to Chemogue.

The sum of £40 for the road from where it turns from the Chemogue road to Wm. Peacock's.

The sum of £20 for the road from Chemogue to Teedish River.

The sum of £10 for the road from Joliceur to Wm. Read's.

The sum of £50 for the Road from Westcock to Cape Maranguin.

The sum of £20 for the road from Sackville to the Settlement back of the Mill pond; 5/4 of the said sum to be laid out on the road leading to John L. Smith's.

The sum of £20 for the Road from Henry Ogden's to Beech Hill.

The sum of £30 for the Road from George L. Kinnear's to Fairfield.

The sum of £20 for the road from the main road to Westcock Hill.

The sum of £10 for the road from Point Midgick to the Great Road on Sackville Great Marsh.

The sum of £20 for the road from Israel Stiles in Dorchester to the Fish-Wear.

The sum of £13 to assist in building a bridge over the Kouchibouguack River in Sackville.

The sum of £10 for the road from Job Steve's to the back settlement.

The sum of £15 for the road from the lower Mountain settlement in Monkton to the Great Road.

The sum of £10 for the road from Lewis Steves' on Turtle Creek, to the main road in Hillisborough.

The sum of £40 for the road from George Colpit's to Weldon's Creek.

The sum of £20 for the road from Robert Scot's to Benjamin Lownsbury's.

The sum of £15 for Turtle Creek Bridge.

The sum of £20 for the road from John Gildart's, Jun. to Thomas Colpitt's.

The sum of £10 for the road from George Colpit's Mill to Robert Mitton's.

The sum of £15 on the new road by David Oliver's to Cape Enragé Settlement.

The sum of £10 for the road from New Horton to Cape Enragé.

The sum of £15 for the road from Weldon's Creek to the Milton Settlement.

The sum of £15 for the road from John Calhoun's to Steve's Millstream.

The sum of £15 for the road from Widow Hamilton's to the main road on Peticodiac river by the Woodworth settlement.

The sum of £15 from George Roger's to the Settlement on Saw Mill Creek.

The sum of £15 on the road established by Commissioners in 1826 on the West side of Thos. Peck's Millstream.

The sum of £40 for the road from Henry Steve's to Sinton Creek.

The sum of £10 for the road from Daniel Tingley's, Jun. in Hopewell to Wm. Tingley's.

The sum of £10 from William Tingley's to Thomas Dixon's.

COUNTY OF YORK.

The sum of £20 towards completing the Bridge over the Keswick near Israel Easty's in the Parish of Douglas.

The sum of £25 towards improving the road leading to the mouth of the Keswick, and to commence where the last grant of 75 $\frac{1}{2}$ left off.

The sum of £10 to improve the road from Jacob M'Kean's to Jewett's Mill in the Parish of Douglas.

The sum of £20 from Jewett's Mill through the new Settlement in the Parish of Douglas.

The sum of £20 for improving the road through the Cardigan Settlement in the Parish of Douglas.

The sum of £15 for improving the road from Charles King's to the Nashwalksis in the Parish of Douglas.

The sum of £20 towards opening a new road from the Cardigan settlement to the South West Branch of the Miramichi River.

The sum of £30 towards erecting a Bridge over the Penyack Stream.

The sum of £25 to improve the road from Captain Miles's to the mouth of the Nashwalk.

The sum of £25 to open a road from Charles Hazelton's in the Parish of Queensbury to a new Settlement in the rear.

The sum of £20 for improving the road at Currier's Creek, in the Parish of Kingsclear.

The sum of £10 towards completing the Bridge over the Scudawapskick Creek.

The sum of £10 to open a road from William Sterritt's to James Scott's in the Parish of Kingsclear.

The sum of £35 to improve the road from Cullington to Parle's in the Parish of Prince William.

The sum of £25 towards opening a new road to the Poquiack settlement.

The sum of £50 towards improving the road from where the improvements left off last year to the Poquiack in the Parish of Prince William.

The sum of £25 to improve the road from the Poquiack to Ingraham's Mill.

The sum of £40 towards erecting a bridge over the Shogumack Stream.

The sum of £30 to improve the road from Ingraham's Mill to Eel River.

The sum of £30 to improve the road from Eel River to the bridge at Captain Bull's.

The sum of £20 towards completing the road from the Church in the Parish of Woodstock to the new settlement in the rear.

The sum of £20 to improve the road from William Kirk's to George Hilman's in the Parish of Woodstock.

The sum of £25 towards opening a road from the Jackston Settlement, to the Forks of the Maduxnikick.

The sum of £20 to improve the road from Charles Boyer's on the River Saint John, to a settlement in the rear in the Parish of Wakefield.

The sum of £20 to improve the road between James Page's and Martin Trecartin's in the Parish of Wakefield.

The sum of £15 to improve the road between Leonard Woodworth's and Ebenezer Easty's in the Parish of Wakefield.

The sum of £30 to improve the road from Jesse Shaw's to James M'Gee's in the Parish of Wakefield.

The sum of £25 to improve the road from James M'Gee's to Tamberlain Campbell's in the Parish of Wakefield.

The sum of £25 to improve the road from Charles Lloyd's to Amos Hartley's in the Parish of Wakefield.

The sum of £20 to improve the road from the River Saint John to Cold Stream, a new Settlement in the Parish of Wakefield.

The sum of £40 to improve the road from Samuel Kerney's to Jonas Fitzherbert's in the Parish of Kent.

The sum of £40 to improve the road from Jonas Fitzherbert's to the Tobique River.

The sum of £28 to improve the road from Tobique River to Salmon River.

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The sum of £75 to finish the bridge over the Blind Thoroughfare, and improve the road from the County line to Samuel Upton's in the rear of Sheffield.

The sum of £20 to improve the road from Burpe's Mill to Thomas M-Gowan's through the Greenfield Settlement.

The sum of £20 to improve the road through the new Settlement in the rear of Burton, commencing at the lower line of Kimball's Farm and ending at Burpe's Mill.

The sum of £32 to improve the road from Mrs. Smith's to Sealy's and to pay for a certain Bridge that hath been built.

The sum of £10 to improve the road from the Saint Andrews road to the landing at the French Lake.

The sum of £45 to improve the road from Partlow's landing to Stephen Kenry's.

The sum of £40 to improve the road from Ezekiel Sealey's to Lawrence Mercereau's.

The sum of £70 to improve the road and pay for Bridges that have been built between Hartt's Mill and Solomon Tracey's.

Resolved that there be granted to Thomas Wood, the sum of £15 for teaching a School in the Parish of Botsford, in the County of Westmorland, from September 1821, to September 1822.

To John M-Ewen, the sum of £30 to remunerate him for expenses incurred in building a Bridge over Mill Brook in Northumberland, which Bridge was destroyed in the great conflagration of 7th October 1825.

To the Justices of the Peace, for the City and County of Saint John the sum of £50 to reimburse the Parish of Portland, for expenses actually incurred in support of distressed Emigrants in the year 1824, and also the sum of £75 for the like purpose in the year 1825, and the further sum of £91 : 7 : 6 for the like purpose in the year 1826, agreeably to the Accounts passed in Sessions, and transmitted to the House in each of the said years: and also, to the Justices of the Peace for the City and County of St. John, the sum of £53 : 11 : 0 to repay the Parish of Portland for expenses actually incurred in the year 1826 for the support of Black Refugees located in that Parish, agreeably to the Prayer of their Petition.

To the Overseers of the Poor for the City of Saint John, the sum of £398 to reimburse them for expenses incurred in the support of transient Poor and distressed Emigrants within the said City for the year 1824, and the further sum of £263 : 16 : 7 to reimburse them for similar expenses incurred in 1825, and the further sum of £326 : 2 : 6 to reimburse them for similar expenses incurred in 1826 agreeably to the accounts transmitted by the Justices of the Peace of the City and County of Saint John in the several years duly certified and attested.

To John Kinnear of the City of Saint John, the sum of £70 to remunerate him for the duties twice paid on 15 Puncheons of Rum.

And Mr. Smith further reported, that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

On motion of Mr. *R. Simonds*. "Resolved that the list of Timber Bonds, destroyed, as mentioned in the Message from His Excellency, with the Certificates endorsed thereon, of the cancelling of the same, be entered by the Clerk on a book to be provided for that and similar purposes, and that his Excellency be requested to have the same List published in the Royal Gazette for the information and satisfaction of the Parties concerned.

"Resolved further, That the House entertains a very high sense of gratitude to the Lieutenant Governor, for the part taken by his His Excellency in forwarding the Address of the House, relating to the cancelling of those Bonds, and obtaining a favourable decision, by which means many persons are relieved from burthens, that in many instances would have born heavily upon the obligors and their sureties: And that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, expressive of the sense of the House, as contained in this Resolution; and to request His Excellency will be pleased to convey to Earl BATHURST, the unfeigned and unanimous thanks of this House, to His Majesty's Government, for the great liberality shewn in consenting to the relinquishment of His Majesty's claim, to the amount secured by those Bonds, and to their being cancelled."

Ordered that Mr. *R. Simonds*, Mr. *Johnston*, and Mr. *Parker*, be a Committee to present His Excellency with the Address.

Mr. *Vail* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for opening and repairing Roads and erecting Bridges throughout the Province.

Leave granted.

The House then adjourned until Monday morning next, at 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, 12th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Read, as engrossed, the Resolutions of Appropriation, made and passed the 8th instant.

Ordered that Mr. *Smith* and Mr. *Vail* carry the said Resolutions to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, "Whereas the report submitted by the Committee appointed to examine into the amount of the several Grants for the last three years, which remain unpaid, with a view to ascertain the probable amount of disposable funds of the Province for the current year, has been found incorrect; Thereupon Resolved, that the same be not considered part of the Journals of this House."

Mr. *Slason*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to establish and regulate Public-Landing Places in Fredericton.

Which was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. *Slason*, The House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of a Bill to alter and amend "An Act to provide for the erection of an Alms-House and Work-House within the County of York, and for making Rules and Regulations for the management of the same."

Mr. *C. Simonds* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Simonds*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and that in the Committee it was resolved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for three months.

Ordered that the Report be accepted.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, the House went into Committee of the whole upon the re-commitment of a Bill to continue and amend an Act, intitled "An Act for raising a Revenue in this Province."

Mr. *Crane* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Crane*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and made further amendments thereto.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and the Bill as further amended engrossed.

Mr. *Allen*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to provide for the better support of the poor in the Parishes of Fredericton and Saint Andrews.

And upon the question that the said bill be read a first time, it was carried in the negative.

On motion of Mr. *M. Wilmot*, Resolved that a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Honourable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had on a Bill for directing the Registry Offices in the several Counties of this Province, to be kept in the Shire or County Towns.

Ordered that Mr. *M. Wilmot* and Mr. *Scott*, be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. *Slason*. The House went into Committee of the whole, on a Bill to establish and regulate Public Landing Places in Fredericton.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same, with amendments.

Ordered that the report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, The House, according to order of the day, went into Committee of the whole in consideration of the Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, relating to the Appropriation of the Revenue collected at the Custom Houses in this Province, by virtue of the late Act of Parliament.

Mr. *M^cKay*, took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *M^cKay* from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the several Messages referred to them, and had passed six several Resolutions, which he read, and they, being handed in at the Clerk's Table, were there again severally read, and are as follow :

"1st. Resolved, that this House entertains a proper sense of the benefits conferred on this Province by the Imperial Parliament of the Mother Country, in admitting us to a participation of the general Trade of Her other Dominions, and also for those measures which have opened to her Colonies a direct intercourse with Foreign European Powers, and the Territories of Southern America: And this House is also duly grateful for the relief which the abolition of Custom-House fees, has offered in a particular manner, to the Coasting Trade of these, her trans-atlantic Possessions.

2d. Resolved

2d. Resolved that it is the full opinion of this House, that the fair and proper charges and expenses attending the collection of the Revenue of this Province, should be defrayed out of such Revenue; And that we cannot reasonably require or expect that the same should be a charge on the Treasury of the United Kingdom; And that this House has always been ready, and is still willing to make such liberal provision for that purpose, as the amount of the Revenue and circumstances of the Country will justify.

3d. Resolved that it is the clear and undoubted right and privilege of the Assembly of this Province, to appropriate the produce of all duties or taxes raised within the same, by virtue of any Law passed since the existence of this Legislature; it necessarily appertains to them, as an inseparable part of that right, to determine on the amount or proportion to be allowed out of the Revenue, for the charge of collecting the same; this House not being able to acknowledge or recognize any distinction in point of right, between the appropriation for collecting, and disposing of the same for other purposes.

4th. Resolved that this House, after the most careful consideration, are fully convinced, that it was not the intention of Parliament to interfere with a right which as an inherent principle of the British Constitution, His Majesty's Subjects in this Province derived at their birth, and have hitherto maintained and upheld, preserving at the same time an unshaken loyalty to the King, and affection for the Government under which they live: And this House feel bound respectfully, but distinctly to declare their opinion, that neither the spirit or the letter of any existing Act of Parliament, authorizes the appropriation which has been made by the Lords of the Treasury, of the duties collected under the Provisions of the late enactments; and that any grant of Salaries which it may be proper to make to the Officers of His Majesty's Customs, out of such duties, should originate with this House.

5th. Resolved that notwithstanding the Officers of the Customs are principally engag'd in carrying into effect the Laws of Trade, and the General purposes of Navigation, and not in the collection of duties; yet this House will not fail to make as liberal a provision as the circumstances of the Country will allow, for the requisite number of Officers; but at the same time, they feel bound to declare, that the present establishment is, in their opinion, unnecessarily large, and might be reduced without any prejudice to the collection of the Revenue; and they must also express their desire and expectation, that no objection will be made to the Officers performing any reasonable services which may be required of them by Acts of the Colonial Legislature.

6th. Thereupon Resolved, that an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will take the necessary steps to lay before His Majesty these Resolutions of the Representatives of His faithful subjects, the People of this Province; and to pray that His Majesty will be graciously pleas'd to give directions for withdrawing the Order under which so large a part of the Revenue has, as they conceive, been improperly withheld; and that His Excellency be also requested to convey to His Majesty the assurance that this House will very cheerfully comply with His Majesty's wishes in this matter, so far as may be consistent with their rights and privileges, and the circumstances of the Country.

And that this House has the fullest confidence that His Majesty will never allow or sanction any measure which might impair the rights or interests of

any of His subjects, however remote may be their situation, or inconsiderable their numbers."

Ordered that the report be accepted.

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. *Baillie* delivered the following Message :

"Mr. *Speaker*,

"I am directed to inform this House, that the Council have agreed to the following Bills :

A Bill in amendment of the Act for the regulation of the Militia.

And a Bill to make further provision for sick and disabled Seamen, not being Paupers.

And they have likewise agreed to the following Bills with amendments :

A Bill for the better regulating Gaols in this Province.

And a Bill to ratify the purchase made of a House and Lot for a Marine Hospital, for the City and Port of Saint John, and for vesting the title thereto in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, for the purpose aforesaid.

To which amendments they request the concurrence of this Honourable House."

And then Mr. *Baillie* withdrew.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. *Secretary Odell*, by command of His Excellency, laid before the House a Report from the Commissioners appointed to superintend the rebuilding of Government-House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Council, to the Bill to ratify the purchase made of a House and Lot for a Marine Hospital, for the City and Port of Saint John, and for vesting the Title thereto, in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of St. John for the purpose aforesaid.

The amendments being severally read, and the question put thereon,

Resolved that the House do concur therein.

Ordered that Mr. *J. Wilmot* and Mr. *Johnston*, do return the Bill, with the amendments, to the Council, and inform them that the House have concurred therein.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Council to the Bill for the better regulating Gaols in this Province.

And the amendments being severally read, and the question put thereon, they were not concurred in by the House.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 13th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *R Simonds*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Address of the House upon the subject of the Timber Bonds lately cancelled and destroyed : Reported that they had attended to that duty, and His Excellency was pleased to make the following Reply thereto :

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"The Lieutenant-Governor acquaints the House of Assembly, that he will cause the List of Timber Bonds lately cancelled and destroyed, to be published in the Royal Gazette, in compliance with the request of the House of Assembly.

"The Lieutenant-Governor will have much pleasure in conveying to Earl BATHURST, the unfeigned and unanimous thanks of the House of Assembly, to His Majesty's Government, for the great liberality shewn in consenting to the relinquishment of His Majesty's claim to the amount secured by those Bonds.

"The Lieutenant-Governor had much pleasure in forwarding the Address of the House, and is very sensible of the Resolution of thanks now voted to him, but all the gratitude for that favourable decision which has relieved many persons from the burthens to which they were exposed, is solely due to His Majesty's Government, which has ever shown the most liberal and paternal regard to the wishes and interests of the People of New-Brunswick."

Read a third time, as engrossed, a Bill to provide for the erection of a new Court-House and Gaol in the County of Northumberland.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *R. Simonds*, and Mr. *Munroe* carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to make more effectual provision for preventing the importation or spreading of infectious distempers within the Towns or Settlements on the River Miramichi.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *R. Simonds*, and Mr. *Munro*, carry the said bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. *Campbell*, from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Honorable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings were had on a Bill for appointing Firewards in the Town of Saint Andrews, and ascertaining their power and duty, and more effectually to prevent Fires in the said Town,

Reported that they had attended to that duty, and found the following entry:—

"Wednesday, 7th March, 1827.

"Resolved, that the further consideration of this Bill, be put off for three months."

Mr. *Campbell* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to continue until the first day of May in the year 1829, an Act made and passed in the second year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for the better extinguishing of Fires in the Towns of Fredericton and Saint Andrews, so far as the same relates to the Town of St. Andrews."

Leave granted.

And the said Bill being brought in was read a first and second time.

Ordered that Mr. *Parker*, Mr. *Smith*, and Mr. *Johnston*, be a Committee to present the Address of yesterday, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, upon the subject of the appropriation of the duties collected under the Acts of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, the House went into Committee of the whole in consideration of the reports of the standing Committee of Accounts.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

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Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that he was directed to make the following Report : Which he read viz :—

A. Is the Account of the Commissioners for managing the Revenue Cutter Elizabeth.

This account is satisfactory.

Resolved that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

B. Is the Account of the Commissioners for Light Houses, for expences incurred in examining the south east coast of Grand Manan.

Resolved that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

C. Is the Account of Wm. F. Odell, Esq. for issuing 500 Warrants, amounting to £147 : 10 Resolved that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

D. Is the Account Current and Report of the Commissioners for managing, the Marine Hospital at Saint John.

These are very satisfactory.

Resolved that the balance due to the Commissioners, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

And Mr. *Johnston* further reported, that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

The Report being again read at the Clerk's Table, was Ordered to be accepted and leave to sit again granted.

The House went into Committee of the whole, on a Bill to continue until the 1st day of May, in the year 1829, an Act made and passed in the second year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for the better extinguishing of Fires in the Towns of Fredericton and Saint Andrews, so far as the same relates to the said Town of St. Andrews."

Mr. *Vail* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Vail*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered that the report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

Read, as engrossed, the Resolutions of Appropriation, made and passed the 10th instant.

Ordered that Mr. *J. Wilmot* and Mr. *Campbell* carry the said Resolutions to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. *Allen*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill further to amend and alter the Laws now in force for assessing, collecting and levying of rates for public Charges.

And upon the question that the said bill be read a first time, the House divided as follows :

YEAS. Mr. ALLEN.
Mr. C. SIMONDS.
Mr. STUBS.
Mr. SLASON.
Mr. PETERS.
Mr. R. SIMONDS.
Mr. DOW.

NAYS. Mr. SMITH.
Mr. PARKER.
Mr. JOHNSTON.
Mr. SCOTT.
Mr. M. MILMOT.
Mr. CLARKE.
Mr. J WILMOT.
Mr. M'KAY.
Mr. CAMPBELL.
Mr. FRASER.
Mr. SCOVIL.
Mr. VAIL.

It was carried in the negative.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, The House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that in the Committee a number of Resolutions were made, which he read, and delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again severally read, and agreed to by the House, and are as follow :

Resolved that there be granted to Nicholas Cunliffe as an honorary reward for his great and meritorious exertions in the improvement of his Farm, and thereby proving the capabilities of this Province as an Agricultural Country, and as a mark of the high sense which the House entertain of the benefits which this Province will derive from such a commendable example; the sum of £25, with the express understanding that this shall not be drawn into a precedent for making similar grants in future.

To Elizabeth Tilton, a Widow, very aged and infirm, the sum of £20 to relieve her from her distressed situation, having been reduced to extreme want in consequence of the death of her husband, who was killed while apprehending Deserters from His Majesty's Service.

To William Chipman of the Province of Nova Scotia, the sum of £20 for drawback on Rum, Sugar, and Molasses, exported to Nova Scotia in 1819, from West Isles; which sum was not indorsed on a Bond entered into by him and John M'Leod.

The sum of £200 to assist in re-building a Church in connexion with the Established Church of Scotland, in the place of the one destroyed by the great fire of 7th October, 1825, at Newcastle in the County of Northumberland.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander-in-Chief, for the time being, the sum of £400 for the purpose of enabling a Supervisor of the Great Road from the City of Saint John, to the Province line, to widen and straighten the main Road leading through the Marsh near the said City.

The sum of £80, in addition to the grant of £20, for the Road from Cardigan to the upper settlement on the South West Branch of Miramichi River.

The sum of £100, to complete the bridge over the Mill Cove below Moorfields.

To Patrick Donally, a Licensed Schoolmaster, the sum of £15 for teaching a School in the Parish of Kingsclear, from 1st August 1822, to July 1823.

The sum of £100, granted in the year 1825, towards completing a bridge over the Meduxnikick, be re-appropriated and paid to Richard Ketchum, and Thomas Phillips, towards paying the balance due thereon, for completing the said Bridge.

To James Morris, the sum of £25 as a premium for erecting a Flour and Hulling Mill at Lake George in the County of York.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a sum not exceeding £200 for the purpose of having the proper lines surveyed and marked out, between the County of Saint John and Kings County, and also between Kings County and County of Westmorland, and also between Kings County and Queens County.

To Anthony Lockwood, the sum of £50 towards reimbursing him for the great expence he has been at in publishing an improved Map of this Province.

To George Pitfield, jun. the sum of £10, being a balance due him for building a bridge on the Great Road of communication in the Parish of Sussex, in Kings County, under the late Benjamin Wilson, Esq, Supervisor for that Road out of the monies granted on that part of the Road the present Session.

And Mr. *Smith* further reported, that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the report be accepted and leave granted.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 14th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to continue until the 1st day of May, in the year 1829, an Act made and passed in the second year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for the better extinguishing of Fires which may happen in the Towns of Fredericton and Saint Andrews, so far as relates to the said Town of St. Andrews."

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Campbell*, and Mr. *Clarke*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed. a Bill to establish and regulate Public Landing Places in Fredericton.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Stason* and Mr. *Dow*, carry the said bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. *Parker*, from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Resolutions and Address of the House relative to the Appropriation of the duties collected at the Custom Houses, under the Acts of Parliament: Reported that they had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, he would return an answer thereto by Message.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, the House went into Committee of the whole in further consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that in the Committee a number of Resolutions were made, which he read, and delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again severally read, and agreed to by the House, and are as follow:

Resolved that there be granted the sum of £30 to enable the inhabitants of Butternut ridge, to open a road from that Settlement to Studholm's Mill Stream.

To Wm. Carr, the sum of £20 to remunerate him for building a Bridge over Brisley Stream, and clearing out Windfalls between Mrs. Smith's and Sealy's.

To Wm. M'Lean, the sum of £13 : 17 : 6, being the amount of drawback on 3 Puncheons of Rum Shipped to Nova Scotia in 1823. It having appeared to this House that from unavoidable circumstance the said Wm. M'Lean could not sooner produce the necessary vouchers.

To John Wilson, Esq. and Benjamin B. Church, the Proprietors of a Paper Mill at Chamcook, in the Parish of Saint Andrews, the sum of £150 as a bounty for their public spirit and meritorious exertions, in erecting an Establishment for the manufacture of Paper, which has put them to very considerable expence, and will be of great benefit to the Province; it being considered highly proper and expedient that some remuneration should be granted therefore out of the Public funds.

To Samuel Buchanan, late Door Keeper of His Majesty's Council, the sum of £25 for the year 1827, in consideration of his advanced age and infirmity.

To John and Oliver Barbarie, proprietors of the Salt works in Sussex, the sum of £50 to assist them in making further improvements in the same, as a testimony of the high approbation of this House, of the meritorious exertions of the Proprietors in forming an Establishment of so great utility to the Country.

To Archibald M'Laughlan, settler on the Great Road between Saint John and Saint Andrews, the sum of £20 to enable him to continue an establishment on the said Road.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the sum of £20, for the purpose of enabling His Excellency to assist Darby Gillan, in building an addition to his establishment on the Nerepis Road, for the accommodation of Travellers.

To Richard Bradley the sum of £25 to repay him for the expence of working a portion of the St. Andrews road, under the direction of T. Wyer, Esq., as the work proved to be of greater extent than Bradley, or the Supervisor supposed, when the Contract for this portion of the road was entered into; the above sum to be taken from the money granted at this Session for the improvement of this Road.

To Patrick O'Brien, the sum of £20, as a compensation to him for working a portion of the Saint Andrews road, under the direction of T. Wyer, Esq. it appearing by the certificate of Mr. Wyer, that the distance worked was greater than he, or O'Brien supposed, when the contract for this portion was made; the above sum to be taken from the grant made for the improvement of this Road in the present Session.

To George Matthews and Peter Duffis, the sum of £39 : 0 : 10 to remunerate them for expences actually incurred by them on the road from Saint John to Black River, the same to be taken from the grant for that road, made in this present Session.

To Allen M'Lean, the sum of £5 : 5 : 7½, being a balance due him as Supervisor of the great road from Fredericton to Restigouche, as audited and allowed in 1825.

To William Payne, the sum of £25 for his services as Provincial Tide Waiter, at Fredericton, for the year 1826.

To Samuel W. Rand, the sum of £20 for teaching a School in the Parish of Hopewell in the County of Westmorland, for the year ending the 11th November, 1826.

To George Mackenzie, of the Parish of Saint James, in the County of Charlotte, the sum of £20, being the Provincial allowance for teaching a School at the Basswood Ridge Settlement, in the said Parish, from 20th March, 1825, and 20th March, 1826.

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To the Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland the sum of £1000, to assist in erecting a Court-House and Gaol in that County.

To Commissioners to be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for defraying the expences of a Courier employed between Newcastle and the Town of Bathurst, in the Port of Saint Peters, in the County of Northumberland, for the year 1827, the sum of £40.

To Commissioners to be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for defraying the expences of a Courier employed between the Town of Bathurst and the River Restigouche, for the year 1827, the sum of £50.

To Edward Bradley, the sum of £15 for teaching a School in the Parish of Saumarez in the County of Northumberland, for the years 1824 and 1825.

To Lloyd Johnston, the sum of £15 for making plans and estimates of Government-House.

And Mr. *Smith* further reported, that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the report be accepted and leave granted.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.
Mr. Secretary *Odell* delivered the following Message.

“NEW-BRUNSWICK.

“MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

“13th MARCH, 1827.

“HOWARD DOUGLAS.

“The Lieutenant-Governor in answer to the House of the 12th instant, requesting him to take the necessary steps to lay before His Majesty their Resolutions relating to the Custom House Salaries, acquaints the House that he deems it objectionable to Address the Throne by way of Resolution; as the usual and constitutional mode in such cases is by Humble and dutiful Address to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, to be laid at the foot of the Throne.”

“H. D.”

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. *Hurd* delivered the following Message:

“Mr. *Speaker*,

“I am directed to inform this House, that the Council have agreed to the Resolutions of Appropriation, dated 28th February, and 8th March, 1827.

And then Mr. *Hurd* withdrew.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 15th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Parker*, from the select Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Governor and Trustees of the College of New-Brunswick, laid before the House by Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, made the following Report:

Which he read in his place.

The Committee to whom was referred the report of the Governor and Trustees of the College of New-Brunswick, laid before the House by His Excellency

lency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, beg to submit the following Report :

Your Committee find by the statement of the College Board, that shortly after the close of the last Session of the Legislature; the plans and estimates which had been received for a College Building were again taken into consideration; and the Board having given the preference to Mr. Woolford's plan, came to the following Resolution :

Resolved, that in order to comply with the spirit of the Resolution of the House of Assembly, and to reduce the expense in the erection of the building, the dome be dispensed with, and a pediment substituted, and that the plan so altered and carried into effect by the present Committee, if it can be done for the sum of £11,000 currency; but if no tender shall be made for that sum, then the Committee be authorized to procure new designs."

And that a Tender having been made to complete the building for £10,300, the same was accepted and Contracts made with responsible men, and that the work has been commenced and proceeded in to considerable extent.

Your Committee consider that the sum contemplated by the House at the last Session as proper to be furnished from the Provincial Revenue was only £4,000; and that the Resolution then passed will by no means bear the construction put upon it by the College Board;

Only £2,000 of this having been as yet granted; the House have now to determine what further appropriation shall be made.

In cases like the present, your Committee are of opinion that very particular circumstances alone would induce this House to depart from their original limitation; however it might fall short of the expectation of the applicant.

The Committee viewing this as an object of the utmost importance to the present and future interests of the Country, and considering that the liberality of His Majesty's Government has been evinced in a very extraordinary degree not only in the sums granted for the erection and endowment of the College; but also in the promise of peculiar and important privileges to be secured by Royal Charter; (which has been obtained through the paternal care and unremitting exertions of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor;) think it material for the House to consider whether in order to secure these great advantages it will not be advisable to increase the sum at first proposed.

The additional sum required to complete the building will be £2,300; which however would not be required during the current year.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT PARKER.
CHARLES SIMONDS.
HUGH JOHNSTON Junr.

The Report being again read at the Clerk's Table, was Ordered to be accepted.

Read, as engrossed, the Resolutions of Appropriation, made and passed the 13th instant.

Ordered that Mr. Slason and Mr. Peters, carry the said Resolutions to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. Smith moved for leave to bring in a Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the services therein mentioned.

Leave granted.

Mr. Smith, Chairman of the Committee appointed to examine, liquidate and report,

report, on Public and Private Accounts, submitted a further report, which he read in his place; and the Report being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read, and are as follows:

E. Are three Accounts from John Bainbridge, and Henry Bliss, Esquires, for Wigs, Robes, &c. for the Speaker and Clerk of the House of Assembly, amounting to the sum of £54 : 13 : 4.

F. This is an Account of Thomas Nisbet, in which he claims a balance due to him last year, of £209, and interest thereon, £12 : 10 : 9½ and he gives credit for £61 received and interest on the same £2 : 4 : 10½ leaving a balance due to him of £157 : 15 : 11.

Mr. Nisbet's Account being now in the hands of the Auditor of Provincial Accounts, it is not in the power of your Committee to make any further report on them, and recommended that they may be fully examined at the next Session of the Legislature.

G. This is an Account from G. K. Lugin, against Government, for Printing the Laws of the Province, the Journals of this House, and other Public documents, amounting to the sum of £257 : 12 : 9½ he gives credit for £150 received from the Treasury, leaving a balance due to him of £117 : 12 : 9½.

The charges in this Account appear to be reasonable and not require any further report or explanation.

H. Is Henry Chubb's account against His Majesty's Government for Printing 1200 Copies of a new and complete system of Drill and Manœuvre for the Militia Forces of New-Brunswick, amounting so £208 : 2 : 6, in addition to which may be added the expence of binding 1200 copies, at 1s. : 10d, each £160, making altogether the sum of £268 : 2 : 6.

The work above mentioned, from the very able manner in which it is executed, will fully recommend itself to the favourable consideration of the House; its usefulness to the Militia, as introducing into that Force, in all parts of the Province, a uniformity of Drill and Manœuvre need not be here insisted on, the necessity of such uniformity being generally acknowledged.

I. Is the Account of the Clerk of the House of Assembly, for Fuel, Stationary, and other expenses of the present Session.

K. L. M. Are three accounts for work done in the Council Chamber, amounting to the sum of £127 : 7 : 1 viz :

Thomas Nisbet's account for Furniture,.....	£38	:	7	:	6
Stewart and Aitkin's ditto for fittings, &c. &c.....	82	:	7	:	10
Amount paid by Mr. Baillie for work &c. &c.....	6	:	11	:	9

£127 : 7 : 1

Ordered that the report be accepted.

And on motion of Mr. *Johnston*, The House went into Committee of the whole in consideration of the said report.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that he was directed to make the following Report: Which he read, viz:—

E. Is an Account from John Bainbridge and Henry Bliss, Esqrs. for Robes, Wigs, &c. for the Speaker and Clerk of the Assembly.

Resolved that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

F Is an Account of Thomas Nisbet for furniture, and shews a balance due to him of £157 : 15 : 11.

Resolved that this Account be referred to the Committee of Supply.

G. Is an Account of Geo. K. Lugin, for Printing the Laws of the Province, Journals, &c. there appears a balance due to him of £117 : 12 : 9½.

This account is correct and satisfactory.

Resolved that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

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Resolved that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

And Mr. *Johnston* further reported, that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

The Report being again read at the Clerk's Table, was Ordered to be accepted and leave to sit again granted.

Mr. *Smith*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue, to provide for the Ordinary Services of the Province.

Which was read a first and second time.

And on motion of Mr. *Smith*, the House went into Committee of the whole in consideration of the said Bill.

Mr. *Vail* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Vail*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, The House went into Committee of the whole in consideration of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message of the 13th Instant, in reply to the Address of the House relative to the Appropriation of the Revenue collected at the Custom Houses.

Mr. *M'Kay* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *M'Kay*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that the Committee had passed the following Resolution:

“ Resolved, that this House are well aware that the most proper mode of bringing under His Majesty's most gracious notice, the desires and representations of His Majesty's faithful Subjects, the Assembly of this Province, is by an humble and dutiful Address to His Majesty; and that not the slightest disrespect was intended to His Majesty's Person, or Government, in deviating from that course on a late occasion; but that this House having been informed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor during the present Session; that the Resolution passed by the House at the last meeting of the Assembly, relative to the same business, had been transmitted by His Excellency, to be

laid

laid before His Majesty's Government, this House was desirous of evincing the perfect confidence they placed in His Excellency's attention to their interests; when they humbly requested His Excellency to lay before His Majesty the wishes of the House as contained in their late Resolutions; instead of laying their own representations at the foot of the Throne:

"Thereupon Resolved, that under these circumstances it will be proper to withdraw the last Resolution then passed; and further

"Resolved, that it is expedient that an humble and dutiful Address to His Majesty be prepared on the subject of the appropriations made of the duties collected at the several Custom Houses within this Province; praying His Majesty's favourable and gracious consideration thereupon."

And the said Resolution being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House.

Ordered that the report be accepted.

On motion of Mr. Parker, Resolved that a Committee be appointed to prepare an humble and dutiful Address to His Majesty, upon the subject of the appropriation of the Revenue collected at the Custom Houses in this Province.

Ordered that Mr. Parker, Mr. R. Simonds, and Mr. Crane, be a Committee to prepare the Address.

On motion of Mr. Parker, the House went into Committee of the whole, in further consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. Smith took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Smith, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that in the Committee a number of Resolutions were made, which he read, and delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again severally read, and agreed to by the House, and are as follow:

Resolved that there be granted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the sum of £200 for the purpose of raising a fund for enabling the Surveyor-General to lay out portions of Land for Settlers, in more regular order than heretofore; such sum to be apportioned on the several Lots so laid out, and the expence of the Survey to be added to the Grant Fees, and repaid to the said fund; it being considered that such an arrangement will not only cause a material improvement in the laying out the Country, but will also afford great facility to Settlers; and much lessen the expence now incurred in Surveys.

That the sum of £100 be granted in addition to the sum already appropriated for exploring and opening a Road from Gage-Town to the Nerepis, provided the like sum of £100, from the Casual Revenue, be applied to the same purpose.

To Wm. Kennedy, of Saint Stephen's in the County of Charlotte, the sum of £20, to assist him in support of himself and family; the said William Kennedy having served his Country faithfully during the Revolutionary war with the United States, and upwards of twenty-five years a Lieutenant and Captain in the Charlotte County Militia, and not being able to earn his livelihood, by reason of his having lost the use of his right hand, and being without any means of support, and otherwise very aged and infirm.

To Alexander Wedderburn, Esquire, Secretary of the Saint John Agriculture and Emigrant Society, for his services for the last year, the sum of £100 in consideration of his meritorious services in receiving Emigrants on their arrival, and settling them in various parts of the Province. To

To the New-Brunswick Agricultural and Emigrant Society, the sum of £700 for the promotion of Agriculture throughout the Province.

That the sum of £100 be granted for re-building the bridge over the Burnt Land Brook, on the Great Road from Fredericton to Restigouche, in place of the one carried away by a sudden and extraordinary rise of water in November last.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, the sum of for the gravelling and improvement of the Great Road over the great Marsh in Sackville, provided the proprietors of said Marsh contribute in labour or money, one fourth of that sum towards the improvement of said Road.

And upon the question for filling up the blank, with the sum of £100 the Committee divided as follows :---

YEAS.	NAYS.
Mr. R. SIMONDS.	Mr. SLASON.
Mr. CRANE.	Mr. PETERS.
Mr. JOHNSTON.	Mr. M'KAY.
Mr. VAIL.	Mr. CLARKE.
Mr. ALLEN.	Mr. MUNRO.
Mr. SCOTT.	Mr. DOW.
Mr. M. WILMOT.	Mr. FRASER.
Mr. SCOVIL.	
Mr. J. WILMOT.	
Mr. NEVERS.	
Mr. CAMPBELL.	
Mr. C. SIMONDS.	

It was carried in the affirmative.

To William Segee, the sum of £40, being a balance due him for work done on the Mill Creek Bridge, in the Parish of Fredericton, in the year 1819.

To the Widow of the late Flood, living in the wilderness part of the Shepody Road in the Emigrant district, the sum of £25, to enable her to continue the establishment of her late husband on that road, for the accommodation of Travellers.

To Commissioners to be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the sum of £50, in aid of individual subscription to open a Road from the Back Creek settlement, on the south Branch of the Oromocto to the Nerepis Road, not to be paid until the amount of Subscription is paid into the hands of the Commissioners.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief for the purpose of employing a suitable person to remove windfalls out of the Great Road leading from Fredericton to St. Andrews, the sum of £20, no money being granted for the improvement of that Road this Session.

To Flora M'Rae, widow of the late Alexander M'Rae, of His Majesty's late Royal North Carolina Highlanders, the sum of £25 to relieve her in her present indigent circumstances.

To Robert Reid, Esq. an indigent, but respectable old man, who in his youth had served his country faithfully, the sum of £25.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the sum of £50 for the encouragement of a Settler in that part of the Great Road of Communication, leading from Fredericton to the Canada Line, which lies between the Restook River and the Great Falls and the further sum of £30 per annum, for three years,

for the encouragement of such settler; the said first mentioned sum to be paid to the said settler on his becoming bound to His Majesty, with two sureties, to be approved of by the Justices of the Peace for the County of York, in General or Special Sessions assembled; that he will clear five Acres of Land that may be appropriated to him, and will also build and reside thereon for a term of five years, from the period of his entering on said Land, under the direction of the Supervisor.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the sum of £120 to be applied towards the support of the Light House on Cranberry Island, in the Province of Nova Scotia, for the year 1827.

To the Governor and Trustees of the Madras School in New-Brunswick, for the year 1827, the sum of £700 towards the support of that Institution throughout the Province; such part of the said sum as may be necessary for that purpose, to be appropriated to the support of a School for Children of colour, in the City of Saint John; and a sum not exceeding £100, part of the said sum, to be appropriated for a similar School in Fredericton.

To Robert Scott, Esq. the sum of £12 : 10 being a balance due to him for building a Bridge over French Brook, in the Parish of Salisbury.

And upon the question for sustaining the Resolution, the Committee divided as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. VAIL.
Mr. CRANE.
Mr. ALLEN.
Mr. M. WILMOT.
Mr. SCOVIL.
Mr. J. WILMOT.
Mr. CLARKE.
Mr. CAMPBELL.
Mr. MUNKO.

NAYS.

Mr. FRASER.
Mr. DOW.
Mr. C. SIMONDS.
Mr. PETERS.
Mr. SLASON.
Mr. M'KAY.
Mr. JOHNSTON.
Mr. PARKER.
Mr. R. SIMONDS.

The Chairman decided in the affirmative.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, a sum not exceeding £100 for the purpose of defraying the expences of auditing the Provincial Accounts for the year 1827.

To the Commissioners of the Revenue Cutter Elizabeth, the sum of £1,760 : 19 : 7½ being a balance due them for supplies of that vessel during the Year 1826.

To the Commissioners of Light Houses for this Province, the sum of £27 : 8 : 2½ to remunerate them for expences incurred in examining the S. E. coast of Grand Manan, for a site for a Light House in 1825.

To Wm. F. Odell, Esq. Secretary of the Province, the sum of £147 : 10 for his services in issuing five hundred and ninety Warrants on the Treasury, during the last year.

And further resolved that in future the sum of £100 be annually included among the ordinary expences of the Province, for the service of the Secretary, in issuing Warrants on the Treasury.

To Henry Bliss, Esquire, such a sum as will procure a Bill of Exchange on London, for the sum of £50 : 9. sterling, being the amount of his Account for Robes, Wigs, &c. &c. for the Speaker and Clerk of the House of Assembly.

To Geo. K. Lugin, the sum of £117 : 12 : 9½ being the balance due to him for Printing the Laws of the Province, Journals of the House of Assembly, &c.

To

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the sum of £127 : 7 : 1 to pay sundry expences incurred in fitting the Council Chamber.

To Thomas Nisbet, the sum of £157 : 15 : 11 being a balance due to him for furnishing Government-House.

To Commissioners to be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the sum of £100 for improving the new Shepody Road (so called) laid out for settling Emigrants, from the head of Hammond River to Hope-well.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a sum not exceeding £200 for the purpose of assisting aged and distressed Indians in the different Counties in this Province.

Resolved, that if any accident shall happen to any of the bridges on the Great Roads in this Province, or unforeseen obstructions to travelling shall arise from the fall of trees, or otherwise, it shall and may be lawful for His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief for the time being, to order a Supervisor or Supervisors to repair or rebuild such bridges, or to remove such obstructions; and it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief for the time being, to draw Warrants on account and in favour of such Supervisor or Supervisors, provided the same shall not exceed the sum of £500.

And Mr. *Smith* further reported, that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the report be accepted and leave granted.

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. *Street* delivered the following Message:

"Mr. *Speaker*,

"I am directed to inform this House, that the Council have agreed to

A Bill for preventing the importation of infectious Distempers at Miramichi.

A Bill for the erection of a Court-House and a Gaol in Northumberland.

A Bill to continue the Acts for the better extinguishing of Fires in the Town of Saint Andrews.

And then Mr. *Street* withdrew.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 16th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, Resolved that a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Honorable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had on a Bill to authorize certain Ministers of Congregations, Dissenting from the Established Church, to solemnize Marriage.

Ordered that Mr. *Scott* and Mr. *Crane*, be a Committee for that purpose.

Read, as engrossed, the Resolutions of Appropriation, made and passed the 14th instant.

Ordered that Mr. *Fraser* and Mr. *Dow*, carry the said Resolutions to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. *Smith*, Chairman of the Committee appointed to examine, liquidate and report

report on Public and Private Accounts, submitted a further report, which he read; and it being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read, and is as follows:

O. This is an Account from William Roberts, with a Petition for sundries supplied by him in September, October, November, and December, 1824, by order from the Commissioners for superintending the repairs of Government-House, amounting to the sum of £64 : 3 : 5.

This Account was allowed by the Commissioners, but the Warrant for the amount, instead of being given to Wm. Roberts, as it ought to have been, was included with sums for work performed by others, and given to M. G. Valentine, who received the whole amount, and absconded with the same from the Province.

P. This is another account from William Roberts, for 6300-feet Boards furnished by order from the Commissioners for Government-House, amounting to £18 : 18 : 0, these Boards were also furnished in the month of September 1824.

Q. This is an Account from C. Campbell, Esquire, Supervisor of the Great Road from Fredericton to Saint Andrews, for rebuilding two bridges on the said road, one of them was rebuilt for the sum of £30, and the other for £50 to which sums are added the Supervisors Commission 10 per cent, amounting to £8, making altogether £88.

By referring to the Journals of the 11th March, 1825, it appears that Colin Campbell, Esquire, the Supervisor above referred to, was indebted to the Province in the sum of £17 : 11 : 1, which sum he was ordered to account for; and by the Auditor's Report, there appears a further balance due from him to the Province of £50; which sums amount to £67 : 11 : 1, which deducted from the above mentioned account, there remains a balance due to the Supervisor, C. Campbell, Esquire, of £12 : 8 : 11. Vouchers are produced for the whole of the charges, and a report also is furnished by the Supervisor, to which the Committee beg leave to refer the House for all other necessary information.

R. This is an account from Robert Scott, Esquire, as follows, viz:

<i>Province of New-Brunswick, Dr. to Robert Scott,</i>	
July 1821—To building a Bridge in Salisbury, over French Brook,.....	£25 : 0 : 0
<i>Cr.</i>	
By my Receipt given to the late Benjamin Wilson, Supervisor,.....	12 : 10 : 0
	Balance due Robert Scott,.....£12 : 10 : 0

This Account is accompanied by an affidavit made by J. Slason, Esq. on the 15th March, 1827, stating that Mr. Scott had expended one hundred days labour on the said bridge, besides the use of his Team to haul Timber, and Gravel &c.

The Committee are not informed by whose direction this Bridge was made, nor with whom Mr. Scott contracted for erecting the same, neither do they know what he engaged to build it for, nor the time the work was performed.

Ordered that the report be accepted.

And on motion of Mr. Smith, The House went into Committee of the whole in consideration of the said report.

Mr. Johnston took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that he was directed to make the following Report: Which he read; and is as follows, viz:—

O. Is the account of Wm. Roberts, for articles supplied by him by order of the Commissioners for the repairs of Government House, in 1824. This Account is accompanied by a Petition.

P. Is another account of William Roberts for Boards furnished by him for the repairs of Government House, in 1824, by order of the Commissioners.

Resolved that these Accounts be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Q. Is the Account of Colin Campbell, Esq. Supervisor of the Great Road from Fredericton to Saint Andrews, for rebuilding two bridges on that Road, amounting to £88.

By the report of the Committee there appears a balance due to the said Supervisor of £12:8:11.

Resolved that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

R. Is the Account of R. Scott, Esq. for building a bridge over French Brook in 1821.

And Mr. *Johnston* further reported, that he was directed to ask for leave to sit again.

The Report being again read at the Clerk's Table, was ordered to be accepted and leave to sit again granted.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to continue and amend an Act intitled "An Act for raising a Revenue in this Province."

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Parker*, and Mr. *Johnston*, carry the said Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to repeal certain enactments relative to the Revenue of this Province; and also to make provision for the better security of the said Revenue.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *C. Simonds*, and Mr. *M'Kay*, carry the said bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Mr. *Parker* from the Committee appointed to prepare an humble and dutiful Address to His Majesty, upon the subject of the appropriation of the Revenue collected at the Custom House, reported that they had attended to that duty and had prepared a draft thereof, which being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there read.

And on motion of Mr. *Johnston*, the House went into Committee of the whole in consideration of the said Address.

Mr. *M'Kay* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *M'Kay* from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the draft of the Address reported by the Select Committee, and agreed to the same, with amendments.

The Address as amended being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as follows.

To the KING'S Most Excellent Majesty.

THE HUMBLE AND DUTIFUL ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, OF YOUR MAJESTY'S
PROVINCE OF NEW-BRUNSWICK.

May it please your Majesty—

THE House of Assembly, with sentiments of unfeigned gratitude, acknowledge the many benefits conferred on the Inhabitants of this Province, by your Majesty and the Imperial Parliament; and are deeply sensible of the benevolent intentions which dictated those measures, by which the Colonies were admitted to a direct intercourse with Foreign Powers.

They beg leave also to assure your Majesty, that the relief afforded to the coasting Trade, especially of this Province, by the abolition of Custom House Fees, was viewed as an additional proof of that fostering care and kind regard, which your Majesty and Parliament have so often evinced for the welfare of this part of your Majesty's extended Dominions.

The House cannot for a moment believe, that it ever was intended to lessen those benefits which the late Commercial regulations were calculated to produce, by taking from the Colonial Legislature the right of appropriating the whole of the duties levied upon the people of this Province: On the contrary it is evident that this right, acknowledged by former enactments, was by the Act of the 6th Year of your Majesty's Reign, expressly recognized and confirmed.

Under these impressions, it was not without feelings of extreme regret, that this House heard, just before the close of their last Session, that the Custom House Officers in this Province, had received instructions from the Commissioners of Customs to retain, for their salaries, a large portion of the duties by them collected.

No Official communication having then been received by your Majesty's Government here, relating to those instructions, the House considered the order which so materially affected their dearest interests, and which appear to them at variance with the Acts of Parliament, to have been intended as a temporary arrangement to continue in operation only until the subject should be submitted to this House, with whom they humbly conceive the appropriation of the Provincial Revenue, for payment of those Salaries, or for any other purpose, should originate.

As the services of the Custom House Officers are principally required for carrying into effect the Laws of trade and navigation, it is the opinion of this House, that the more proper mode of paying for those services would be by charges on Shipping; but this House are well aware of the impolicy and inconvenience of any Colonial regulation for this purpose.

The Returns which have been laid before the House during the present Session, shew the amount of duties collected under the Acts of Parliament for the last year, to have been about £20,000; yet but little more than one half of that sum has been paid over to the Province Treasurer, the Salaries of the Officers at several places far exceeding the amount of duties collected, or of the less they would have received under the old system.

Although, under the late directions received by the Officers of the Customs, the whole of the duties collected throughout the Province, could not be retained for collection, as was contemplated by the first instructions; yet by the present temporary arrangement, nearly £9,000 may be deducted from a Revenue
of £13,000;

of £13,000; a charge which must appear the more disproportionate, when we humbly assure Your Majesty that the Provincial Revenue, which has exceeded £30,000, is collected at the expense of about £2,000, and that the Provincial Officers might have collected the new duties with little or no additional charge to the public.

Although the present Salaries may not amount to so much as the fees would have done; yet, when it is considered that a large proportion of those fees was paid on vessels owned in the United Kingdom, and in foreign Countries, and the fees on the Coasting Trade, only, were considered burthensome or oppressive; and that the abolition of fees, has afforded relief to the Ship owners of the Mother Country, in a much greater degree than it has to the Ship owners of this Province; your Majesty will, it is humbly hoped, see nothing unreasonable in the reluctance which this House feels in agreeing to any arrangement which would transfer the whole charge of collecting the Revenue of this Province, to that Revenue, unless such charge bear a fair and reasonable proportion to the amount collected; and the Salaries of the Custom-House Officers be in just relative proportion to the Salaries of other Officers in the Colony.

Understanding that the subject is still under the consideration of Your Majesty's Government, the House have waited with great anxiety, until nearly the close of the Session, in the hope of the arrival of Your Majesty's most gracious order to direct the whole amount of the duties that may be collected under the Acts of Parliament to be placed in the Provincial Treasury, and at the disposal of the Provincial Assembly, to whom they humbly conceive, it rightfully appertains to fix the amount of appropriation for collection as well as for other purposes.

The House, although they consider this a subject of the utmost importance to the present and future welfare of this Province, deem it unnecessary to enter upon it more fully and at large; having the most perfect confidence, that this their dutiful and respectful representation, will receive your Majesty's favourable and gracious consideration; and that your Majesty will grant the desired relief, by making such reductions as are practicable in the Customs Establishment; and by directing the whole of the Revenue which may hereafter be collected in this Colony, under the provision of any Act or Acts of the imperial Parliament, to be placed at the disposal of the Provincial Assembly.

The House of Assembly beg, with all humility, to lay this Address at the foot of the Throne; with those feelings of loyalty and affection to your Majesty's Person and Government, which become British Subjects, and with undiminished reliance on your Majesty's Paternal regard for this Colony; satisfied that your Majesty will not allow, or sanction, any measure that might tend to impair the rights of any of your faithful Subjects, however remote their situation, or inconsiderable their numbers.

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. Shore delivered the following Message.

Mr. Speaker,

"I am directed to inform the House of Assembly, that the Council have agreed to the Resolutions of Appropriation, sent up by the House, dated 10th and 13th March, 1827 excepting the following.

The three Resolutions of the 10th granting sums for roads in the Parish of Kent.

To the Justices of the Peace of the City and County of St. John. (of the 10th) to reimburse the Parish of Portland, for expenses incurred in support of distressed Emigrants in the Years 1824, 1825, 1826.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Saint John, (10th) for expenses incurred in the support of transient Poor, and distressed Emigrants for the Years, 1824, 1825, 1826.

Of the 13th.

To Nicholas Cunliffe, as an honorary Reward for exertions in improving his Farm.

To Wm. Chipman for drawback.

To assist in rebuilding a Church in connexion with the Established Church of Scotland, at Newcastle.

To Richard Ketchum, and Thomas Phillips, for the Bridge over the Meduxnick.

To Anthony Lockwood, for publishing a Map of the Province.

Which are not agreed to.

And then Mr. *Shore* withdrew.

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. *Hurd* delivered the following Message:

“ Mr. *Speaker*,

“ I am directed to inform this House, that the Council have agreed to A Bill to establish Public Landing Places in Fredericton, with amendments, to which amendments they request the concurrence of this Honorable House.”

And then Mr. *Hurd* withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Slason*, the House proceeded to take into consideration the said amendments; and they being severally read and the question put thereon,

Resolved that the House do agree to the same.

Ordered that Mr. *Slason* and Mr. *Dow*, do return the Bill with the amendments, to the Council, and inform them that the House have concurred therein.

Mr. *Smith*, Chairman of the Committee appointed to examine, liquidate, and report on Public and Private Accounts, submitted a further report, which he read; and it being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read, and is as follows:

S. This is an Account of expence incurred for repairs to the present residence of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in Fredericton, during the past year, amounting to the sum of £97 : 10 : 10, the requisite Vouchers are produced and the Account is satisfactory.

T. This is the Account from the Commissioners for fitting and furnishing the Government-House, in Saint John. The Commissioners have expended the sum of £791 : 17 : 0½.

They credit the sum of £356 : 19 : 10, received from the Treasury, and also the sum of £257 : 5 : 0 received from the Private Funds of His Excellency, which they expect will be refunded by the Province, in which case the balance due the Commissioners would be £434 : 17 : 2½. The requisite Vouchers are produced and the whole are satisfactory.

Ordered that the report be accepted.

And on motion of Mr. *Smith*, The House went into Committee of the whole in consideration of the said report.

Mr. *Johnston* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Johnston*, from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration

sideration of the business referred to them, and that he was directed to make the following Report : Which he read, viz :—

S. Is an Account of expenses incurred for repairs of the present residence of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in Fredericton.

Resolved that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

T. Is the Account of the Commissioners for fitting and furnishing the Government-House in Saint John, amounting to £791 : 17 : 0½.

They credit the sum of £356 : 19 : 10 received from the Treasury, leaving a balance due to the Commissioners of £434 : 17 : 2½.

On motion that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply, it was decided in the negative.

The Report being again read at the Clerk's Table, was ordered to be accepted.

Read, as engrossed, the Resolutions of Appropriation, made and passed the 15th instant.

Ordered that Mr. *J. Wilmot* and Mr. *Peters* carry the said Resolutions to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Johnston*, the House went into Committee of the whole, in further consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. *Smith* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Smith*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the business referred to them, and that in the Committee a number of Resolutions were made, which he read, and delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again severally read, and agreed to by the House, and are as follow :

Resolved that there be granted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the sum of six hundred pounds, in order to enable His Excellency to defray expenses which have been incurred in various parts of the Province during the last year in the relief and support of sick and indigent Emigrants ; who are not properly chargeable on any of the Parochial funds in this Province ;

And further Resolved that a like sum of £600, be granted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be applied to the same purpose during the ensuing year.

To the Honorable S. D. Street, the sum of £12 : 18 : 6, for Stationary, Postage of public Letters, and for sums paid by him for the printing of official notices.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the time being, the sum of £30 in aid of an individual subscription to pay a Courier to run between Hope-well in the County of Westmorland to the Bend of Petticodiac river, a distance of 50 miles.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the sum of £100, for Graveling the great road over the great Marsh in Sackville.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the sum of £2500 towards the erection of the College of New-Brunswick, the same to be expended if necessary in the present year.

That the sum of £100 granted in 1825, towards completing the Maduxnick Bridge be paid to Richard Ketchum and Thomas Phillips, Esquires, they having completed the said bridge.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, the sum of £100 as a further provision for two Officers to inspect the several Regiments and Battalions of Militia in the Province for the year 1827.

That a sum not exceeding £1000 be granted to his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for defraying the expense which may be incurred in the protection of the Revenue during the ensuing year.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the sum of £50 for the encouragement of a Settler on that part of the Great Road from Fredericton to Restigouche, which lies between the River Miramichi and Bathurst: and the additional sum of £30 for three years for the further encouragement of such settler; the said first mentioned sum to be paid to the said Settler, on his becoming bound to His Majesty with two sureties to be approved of by the Justices of the peace for the County of Northumberland in General or Special Sessions assembled, that he will clear five acres of land that may be allotted to him and will also build and reside thereon for the space of five years from the period of his entering on the said land.

To Commissioners to be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for defraying the expenses of a Courier employed between New Castle and the Town of Bathurst in the County of Northumberland for the year 1827, the sum of £30 to be paid out of the Great Road Money from New Castle to Restigouche, in addition to the Vote of the 14th Instant, of £40.

To the Committee of Correspondence the sum of 10*l.* to defray the expense of Postages, &c.

To James Flinn the sum of 25*l.* to compensate him for work done on the Great Road between New Castle and Nipisiguit, to be deducted from the sum appropriated for that Great Road this year.

To William Roberts the sum of £69 : 6 : 9 to compensate him for articles furnished the late Government House.

To the Commissioners appointed to superintend the repairs of Government House, the sum of £97 : 10 : 10, being the amount of expenses incurred by them in the year 1826.

To the Clerk of the House of Assembly the sum of £440 : 15 : 8 to enable him to pay the contingent expenses of the present Session.

And Mr. *Smith* further reported, that having finished the business referred to them, it was Resolved that the Committee do rise.

Ordered that the report be accepted.

Mr. *Scott*, from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Honorable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings were had on a Bill to authorize certain Ministers of Congregations, Dissenting from the Established Church, to solemnize Marriage: Reported that they had attended to that duty, and found the following entry:—

“ Council Chamber, 9th March, 1827.

Read a Bill from the Assembly to authorize certain Ministers dissenting from the Established Church to solemnize Marriage.

On motion, “ Resolved that the further consideration of this Bill be put off for three months.”

On motion of Mr. *Parker*, It appearing by the Report of the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Statement laid before the House respecting the building of a College in this Province; that the sum of £6,300 will be required from the Provincial Fund, in addition to the sum of £2000 already granted by the Legislature: And it appearing expedient under the particular circumstances of the case, that the Public should make provision for the additional sum required: Thereupon, Resolved that this House will make provision for the said sum, making Six thousand three Hundred Pounds in the whole to be supplied out of the Provincial Funds.

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On motion of Mr. *Parker*, Resolved that an Humble Address be presented to his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to give directions for disposing of the Vessel used as a Revenue Cutter, and her materials, and the net proceeds be paid into the Treasury of the Province; and that His Excellency be requested to adopt such measures, for the protection of the Revenue, as he may deem expedient, during the Current year.

Ordered, that Mr. *C. Simonds*, Mr. *J. Wilmot*, and Mr. *Campbell*, be a Committee to present the Address to His Excellency.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 17th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Read, as engrossed, the Resolutions of Appropriation, made and passed the 16th instant.

Ordered that Mr. *J. Wilmot* and Mr. *Slason*, carry the said Resolutions to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Odell* delivered the following Message.

“NEW-BRUNSWICK,

“MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

“17th MARCH, 1827.

“HOWARD DOUGLAS.

“The Lieutenant-Governor informs the House of Assembly, that Sundry repairs are necessary for the Province-Hall, and recommends to the House to make provision for that service.”

“H. D.”

On motion of Mr. *R. Simonds*, Whereas it appears by the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that Sundry repairs are necessary for the Province Hall: Resolved that this House will provide for the expense thereof.

On motion of Mr. *R. Simonds*, Resolved that an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit to His Majesty's Ministers, the Address of this House to His Majesty, on the subject of the Customs Salaries in this Province; and to request that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Ordered that Mr. *R. Simonds*, Mr. *Crane*, and Mr. *M. Kay*, be a Committee to present the Address to His Excellency.

On motion of Mr. *Crane*, Whereas by the order of this House, the revision printing of the Laws of this Province extends only to the end of the Session of 1823, and Whereas the revision and printing of the remainder, including those of the present, would be very desirable, provided the said work could be executed in a reasonable time;

Therefore, Resolved that an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting that he would be pleased to direct that some suitable person be employed to complete the revision and printing of the second Volume of the said Laws, inclusive of those of the present Session, and this House will make the necessary provision to defray the expense.

Ordered

Ordered that Mr. *Crane*, Mr. *Smith*, and Mr. *Vail*, be a Committee to present the Address to His Excellency.

Mr. *R. Simonds*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with the Address of the House of this day, on the subject of the Address to His Majesty, relating to the Customs Salaries in this Province: reported that they had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would lose no time in transmitting the said Address to His Majesty's Ministers, to be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Mr. *C. Simonds*, from the Committee appointed to present the Address of the House to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the subject of the Revenue Cutter, and the protection of the Revenue: Reported that they had attended to that duty, and His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would certainly give directions for the Sale of the Cutter, and her materials, agreeably to the wishes of the House, and that he would immediately adopt such measures as might be most advisable for the Protection of the Revenue.

Mr. *Crane* from the Committee appointed to present the Address of the House to His Excellency on the subject of the revision and printing of the Laws of this Province: Reported that they had attended to that duty, and His Excellency was pleased to say he will direct that a suitable person be employed to attend to the request of the House on the subject of the Laws of the Province, and that the execution of the said work, shall proceed forthwith.

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. Justice *Botsford* delivered the following Message:—

“Mr. *Speaker*,

“I am directed to inform the House of Assembly, that the Council have agreed to A Bill to repeal certain enactments relative to the Revenue.

And a Bill to continue and amend “An Act for raising a Revenue in this Province.”

And they have likewise agreed to the Resolutions of Appropriation, dated 14th, 15th, and 16th March, 1827 excepting the following:

Of the 14th.

To John and Oliver *Barbarie*, Proprietors of Salt-Works, £50.

To Samuel W. *Rand*, £20 for teaching a School.

To Edward *Bradley*, £15 for teaching a School.

Of the 15th.

To Robert *Scott*, £12 : 10 balance for building a bridge.

£100 for defraying the expenses of Auditing the Provincial Accounts for the year 1827.

Of the 16th

To Richard *Ketchum*, and Thomas *Phillips*, £100 towards completing the *Meduxnikick* Bridge.

Which are not agreed to.”

And then Mr. Justice *Botsford* withdrew.

Mr. *Vail* pursuant to leave brought in a Bill to provide for opening and repairing Roads and erecting Bridges throughout the Province.

Which was read a first and second time.

And on motion of Mr. *Vail*, The House went into Committee of the whole in consideration of the said Bill.

Mr. *Crane* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr.

PORT OF SAINT ANDREWS, NEW-BRUNSWICK.

Goods EXPORTED in British Ships.

An ACCOUNT of the Goods Exported in British Ships; in the year ended, 5th January 1827, shewing the Trade with the several Countries in succession, according to the regulated arrangement of Countries, and exhibiting the aggregate Quantities and Values of the various Articles Exported to each Country

EXPORTS TO THE UNITED KINGDOM.

Vessels.	Articles Exported.	Quantity Exported.	Value in Sterling Money.
Cleared from the Port of St. Andrews	19,345 Tons, 2,117,000 Supl. Feet, 563 Cords, 41,500.		
Men, 721.	55,000.		
Tons, 16075.	1,158.		
	675.		
No. Vessels, 67.	Estimated Value, £22,750 : 0 : 0		
	8 New Vessels, built for Owners, in Great Britain, 2,666 Tons.		
	6 Ditto, sent home as remittances and there sold, 1610 "		
	14 Vessels, New Tonnage, 3,775		
Men, 525.	276 Tons.		
	40		
	714		
	6,601,000 feet		
	2,138,000		
	29,500		
	435		
	35,500		
	50		
	4026 Quintals,		
	2096 Bbls. and Kegs,		
	639 Boxes,		
	88 Barrels.		
	5		
	103		
	149 Bbls. 1/2 Bbls. & Kils.		
	21,000		
	59 Barrels,		
	4 Duns,		
	10 Boxes,		
	18 Ditto.		
	55 Barrels,		
	49 Ditto,		
	30 Bushels;		
	39 Drums and Boxes.		
	9 Dozen.		
	18 Barrels,		
	6 Kegs, 984 lbs.		
	1		
	1 Set (Gig.)		
	1 Bundle.		
	Estimated Value, £24,500 : 0 : 0		
	554,000 Fret.		
	265,000		
	3000.		
	52		
	4500		
	3089 Quintals,		
	390 Barrels,		
	719 Boxes.		
	19 Barrels.		
	44 duns, and Kegs,		
	15 Barrels,		
	6 Ditto.		
	1250 Bushels,		
	10 Barrels.		
	40 Ditto.		
	10 Ditto.		
	30 Boxes,		
	27 Hides,		
	3 Firkins.		
	1 Keg,		
	Estimated value, £4,800 : 0 : 0		
	38,650 Tons.		
	3,250 Stencs.		
	5019 Bushels,		
	54 Puncheons.		
	71 Hides.		
	Estimated value, £21,600 : 0 : 0		
	167 Barrels.		
	195 : 0 : 0		

Vessels Outwards.

Number of Vessels at the Port of West Isles. Men 32

Vessels, 6 Tons 1054 Men 104

Men 1618

From the Port of Saint Andrews, Vessels 536 Tons, 55498

RECAPITULATION.

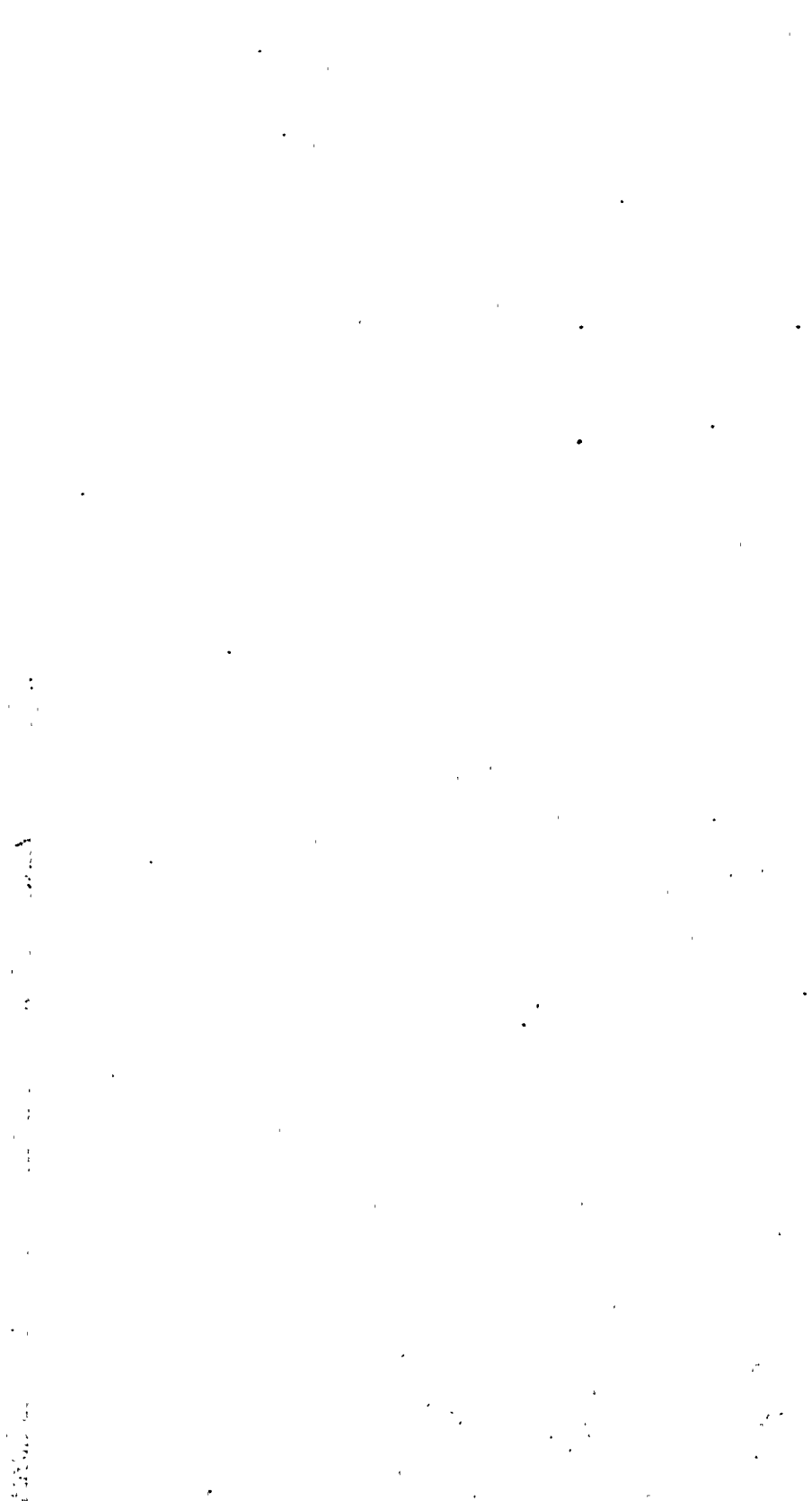
For where cleared.	No. Vessels	Tons.	Men.	Estimated Value
For Great Britain,	67	16075	721	59,500
For British West Indies, and Newfoundland,	67	11512	525	24,500
For United States,	536	35492	1613	21,600
Total at Saint Andrews,	670	63079	2989	105600
Out Bay of West Isles,	6	1054	52	4,800
For British West Indies,	1	89	5	125
For United States,	677	64222	3046	110525
Total...				

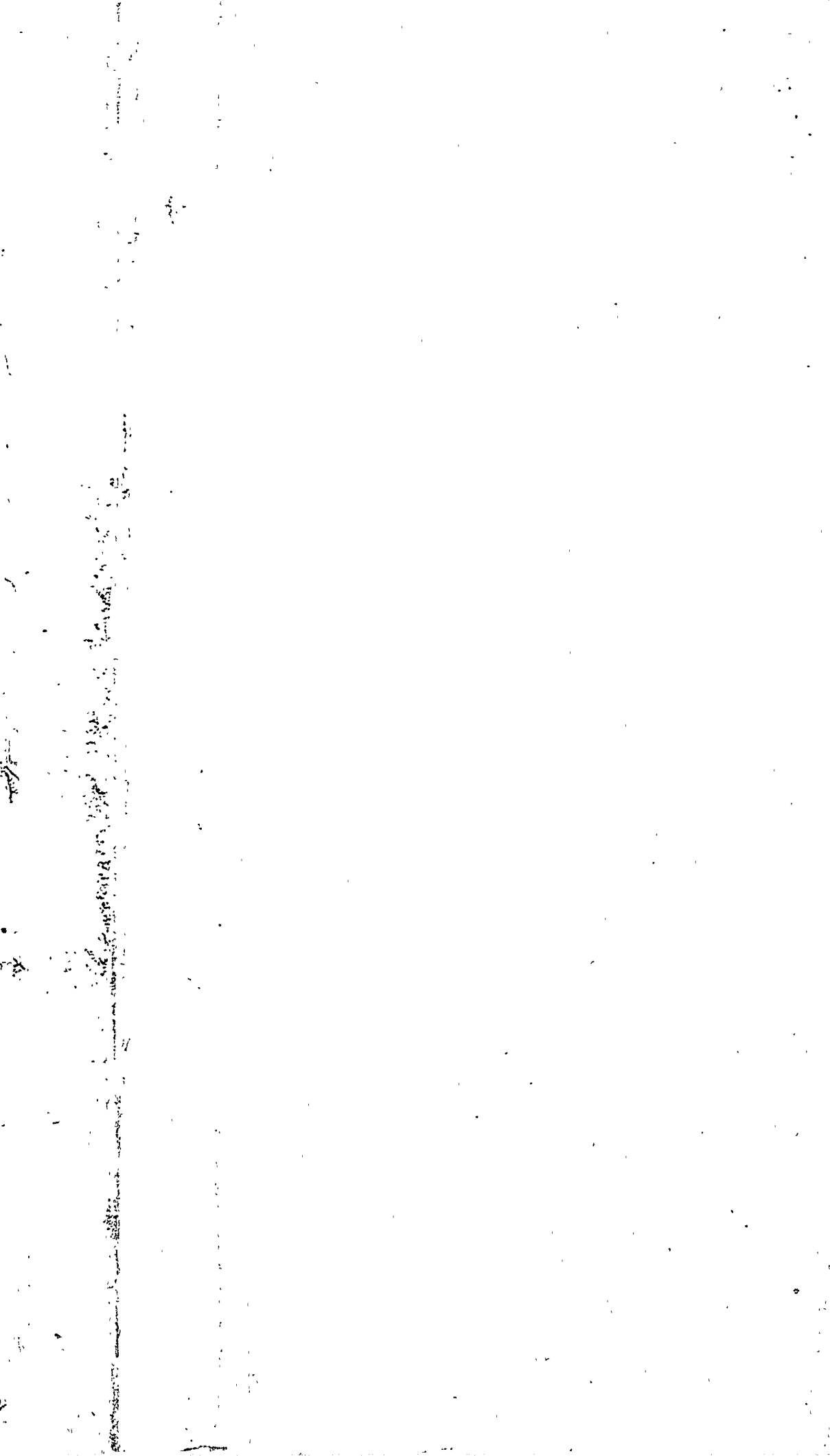
This return does not include coasting Vessels which have cleared for Ports within this Province and the Bay of Fundy.

This Return does not include coasting Vessels which have cleared for Ports within this Province, and the Bay of Fundy.

Custom-House, Saint Andrews, }
10th January, 1827.

COLIN CAMPBELL, Collector.
JOHN DUNN, Comptroller.





Mr. *Cane*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

Mr. *Smith*, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue, for the Services therein mentioned.

Which was read a first and second time.

And on motion of Mr. *Smith*, the House went into Committee of the whole in consideration of the said Bill.

Mr. *Vail* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Vail* from the Committee, reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and agreed to the same.

Ordered that the Report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue, to provide for the Ordinary Services of the Province.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *McKay* and Mr. *Slason*, carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

The House then adjourned until Monday morning next, at 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, 19th MARCH, 1827.

PRAYERS.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the services therein mentioned.

Resolved, that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Fraser* and Mr. *Munro*, carry the said bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a third time as engrossed, a Bill to provide for opening and repairing Roads and erecting Bridges throughout the Province.

Resolved that the Bill do pass. Ordered that Mr. *Allen* and Mr. *Campbell*, carry the said Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

On motion of Mr. *Allen*, "Whereas the Committee of Supply, has risen without having made provision for printing the Laws and Journals of the present Session : And whereas it is highly expedient such provision should be made.

Therefore, Resolved that an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the usual payments to be made for those services, and that the House will hereafter provide for the same.

Ordered, that Mr. *Allen*, Mr. *Slason*, and Mr. *Nevers*, be a Committee to present the said Address.

Mr. *Allen* from the Committee appointed to present the Address of this House to His Excellency praying that provision may be made to George K. Lugin, for printing the Laws and Journals of the present Session, the same not having been included in the appropriations for the year : Reported that they had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would give the necessary directions for the service being performed and payment made for the same.

A Message from His Majesty's Council.

Mr. *Shore* delivered the following Message :

“ Mr. *Speaker*,

“ I am directed to inform this House, that the Council have agreed to
A Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue to provide for the Ordinary Services of the Province.

A Bill to provide for opening and repairing Roads and erecting Bridges throughout the Province.

And a Bill to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the services therein mentioned.”

And then Mr. *Shore* withdrew.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, requiring the immediate attendance of the House in the Council Chamber.

The House attended in obedience to the command of His Excellency, and being returned,

Mr. *Speaker* reported that he had addressed His Excellency as follows :

“ May it please your Excellency,

“ THE House of Assembly in granting the Supplies for the Public Service, have paid particular attention to your Excellency's recommendations, and have been as liberal as the state of the Funds would admit.

They have provided for the completion of the College Building---for the further improvement of the Roads---for the encouragement of the Agriculture and Fisheries of the Province ; and for various other services, in addition to those, usually called Ordinary---They have also made provision for the increase of the Revenue.

The several Bills for those purposes they have now the honor of tendering for your Excellency's acceptance ; and they take this opportunity, at the close of their political existence, to express the very high confidence they continue to have in your Excellency, and their full trust, that the sums, which are placed at your Excellency's disposal, will be so expended as to prove very beneficial to the Province, and fully to realize the expectations of the House.”

And that His Excellency was then pleased to give his assent to the following Bills :—

A Bill to continue and amend an Act, intituled “ An Act for raising a Revenue in this Province.”

A Bill “ to repeal certain enactments relative to the Revenue of this Province ; and also to make provision for the better security of the said Revenue.”

A Bill “ to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue, to provide for the Ordinary Services of the Province.”

A Bill “ to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the services therein mentioned.”

A Bill “ to provide for opening and repairing Roads and erecting Bridges throughout the Province.”

A Bill to continue an Act, intituled “ An Act to authorize the Justices of the County of Northumberland to regulate the grazing and depasturing of certain tracts of Land within that County.”

A Bill “ to prevent unnecessary delay and expence in proceeding against persons having privilege of the General Assembly.”

A Bill further to continue an Act, intituled “ An Act for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of St. Andrews.” A Bill

A Bill "for the more easy assessment of damages in actions on Bonds, payable by instalments, and other similar Instruments, and for the more convenient service of Writs of Scire Facias."

A Bill to continue and amend "An Act for regulating the inspection of Fish, to be consumed within this Province."

A Bill "to authorize the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church, in the Parish of Fredericton, to convey a certain piece of the Glebe Land of the said Parish, in exchange for other Land."

A Bill in further amendment of an Act, intituled "An Act, subjecting Real Estates in the Province of New-Brunswick, to the payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriff in his proceedings thereon."

A Bill "to provide for the registering of Judgments and Recognizances, which are intended to bind or affect Real Estates."

A Bill further to alter and amend an Act intituled "An Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce, and for preventing and punishing Incest, Adultery, and Fornication."

A Bill "to alter and amend the Laws now in force relating to the establishment, regulation and improvement of the Great Roads throughout the Province, and to make more effectual provision for the same."

A Bill "to regulate the Herring Fishery in the Parishes of Grand Manan, West-Isles, Campo-Bello, Pennfield, and Saint George, in the County of Charlotte, and to provide for the inspection of Smoked Herrings, in the said Parishes."

A Bill "for erecting the Northwestern part of the Town or Parish of Waterborough, in Queens County, into a separate Town or Parish."

A Bill "to erect the Northeastern parts of the County of Westmorland, into a distinct Town or Parish, and also, to authorize the appointment of Parish Officers, at the November General Sessions in each year."

A Bill "to regulate the Bass Fishery in the River Richibucto, and its branches."

A Bill "to empower the Justices of the County of Charlotte, to make regulations for driving Timber and Logs down the Rivers St Croix, Magaguadavic, and Digdeguash, and their branches."

And a Bill "to make further provision for sick and disabled Seamen, not being Paupers, belonging to this Province."

A Bill "in amendment of the Act for the regulation of the Militia, so far as respects the City of Saint John."

A Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs," and to make other and more effectual provision for the prevention thereof."

A Bill "to ratify the purchase made of a House and Lot for a Marine Hospital, for the City and Port of Saint John, and for vesting the title thereto in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, for the purpose aforesaid."

A Bill "to provide for the erection of a new Court-House and Gaol in the County of Northumberland."

A Bill "to make more effectual provision for preventing the importation or spreading of infectious distempers within the Towns or Settlements on the River Miramichi."

A Bill to continue until the first day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine, an Act made and passed in the second year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for the better extinguishing of Fires which may happen in the Towns of Fredericton and Saint Andrews, so far as relates to the said Town of St. Andrews."

A Bill to establish and regulate Public Landing Places in Fredericton."

And that His Excellency was then pleased to deliver the following Speech:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council;

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

I THANK you for the liberal appropriations you have made for all the important objects to which your attention has been directed. No abatement of zeal or exertion will be found on my part, to insure a faithful and effectual expenditure of those Grants from the Public Purse.

THE business of the Session being brought to a close, I release you from its labours, with a full persuasion that you will continue to cultivate at your respective homes those principles of Loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign and of Attachment to the Parent Kingdom, which can alone cement the extended Possessions of the British Empire in one common bond of Affection, and advance and secure the real interests of this rising Colony.

That His Honor the Chief Justice then said,

It is His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure, that this General Assembly be prorogued to the second Tuesday in June next; and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued to the second Tuesday in June next.