

No. 30, account with affidavit and vouchers, of £49 expended by him on the Road between Chamcook and Bockabuk; he credits the sum of 20s remaining in his hands.

No. 31, Is Joseph Porter, Esquire's account with affidavit and vouchers, of the expenditure of £50 granted for Roads from Bass-wood Ridge, towards the settlement of St. Stephen's.

No. 32, Is a statement by Aaron Upton, one of the Commissioners for building a Bridge across Dennis's Stream, of their having contracted for Timber, &c. to be ready on the spot by the Spring, and informing that the sum of £50 allotted will be far short of the Provincial assistance necessary to complete that extensive Bridge.

No. 33, Is a report of Robert Pagan and John Dunn, two of the Commissioners for opening a Road from Le Etang to Musquash, stating that Mr. Vernon the other Commissioner, has been employed in exploring the nearest and best Road from Le Etang, to communicate with the Road leading from Dipper, to the Bridge on Musquash river—that men have been employed under his direction in opening a Bridle Path, which was early in January completed to within two miles of that Road, and that a sum of £128 : 18 : 9 expended on that service, and that a contract has been made for the sum of £130 for building a Bridge across Le Proa River, at the head of Macey's Bay, to be completed in all January. The balance of £41 : 1 : 3 will be expended in improving the Road.

No. 34, Is report with account, affidavit and vouchers, of Christopher Hatch and Thomas Wyer, Junr. of the expenditure of £160 on the road from D. Bradfords to Conneck's—they Credit £150 received, and state, that it was necessary to expend £10 more to complete the particular spot, which they pray may be repaid.

No. 35, Is account with affidavit and vouchers, of Thomas Wyer, junr. and Peter Christy, Esqrs. of the expenditure of £100 on the Road from Samuel Conneck's to Pleasant Ridge.

No. 36, Is report of Hugh M'Kay, Esq. accompanied with plans of Bridges, &c. stating that Warrants in his favour for £600 have been issued, but that only £200 has been yet received by him, which is intended in payment of a Contract entered into, to build a bridge across Magagaudavic River for that sum, which contract, he sends a copy of,—that he found the monies granted for Bridges, &c. in that quarter, come so far short of the sums necessary to erect and complete them, that he has declined making further Contracts, till his statement of the necessity of further aid can be taken into consideration by the Legislature. The report states, that different proposals have been made to him, in explanation of which, he refers to different plans of Bridges which accompany his report. For further particulars, we beg leave to refer to the report, in which, much pains is taken to give full information on the subject.

No. 37, Is account with affidavit and vouchers, of Nathan Smith, of £25 : 4 : 6 expended by him towards improving the Road from Nathan Smith's House in Burton to the Causeway; a balance of 4s. 6d. overpaid, is due from the Province.

No. 38, Is account with affidavit and vouchers, of Samuel D. Street Esqr. of expenditure of £99 : 15 : 6, on Burton Causeway—credit is given for £150—a balance remains of £50 : 4 : 6 due to the Province.

No. 39, Is account with affidavit and vouchers of Gershom Bunnell, of expenditure of £25 : 1 : 6 on the Road between Nathan Smith's and Burton Causeway—No credit is given for Money received for this purpose.

No. 40, Is account with affidavit and vouchers, of Samuel D. Street, Esq. of the expenditure of £50 on the Burton Causeway.

No. 41, Is account with affidavit and vouchers, of Samuel D. Street, Esq. of expenditure of £25 : 6 on Burton Causeway; it is stated, that a balance of only £24 : 11 : 4 remained in his hands, and that therefore, the sum of 14s. 8d. is due to him by the Province.

No. 42, Is account with affidavit and vouchers, of the expenditure of £49 : 13 : 8 in which sum is included a ... at 15s per day, ... this stated, remain Province.

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on the Road in ... £8 : 5 for superintending statement, a balance remains of £43 given for £100 received.

No. 45, Is Samuel Scovil's account with affidavit and vouchers, of the expenditure of £150 received by him, on the Road between the Jemseg and Washademoac.

No. 46, Is account of the Commissioners for expending £300 for the Indians of the Milicite Tribe, stating the purchase for that sum, of a Tract of Land in the Parish of King's Clear, for the use of the Indians, adjoining a Lot belonging to them. In this account reference is had to an order of the President in Council, a copy of which accompanies it, and to which we beg leave to refer.

No. 47, Is J. Murray Bliss and John Allen, Esq. account current, with affidavit and several vouchers of expenditure of £86 on the Main Road, from the French Village to the Grand Falls, in which sum is included £60 for Tools, the sum of £950 is credited as received, a balance of £164 therefore remains in the hands of the Commissioners due to the Province.

#### A MESSAGE from the COUNCIL.

Mr. Speaker,

I am directed by the Council to inform this Honorable House, that Judge Chipman is appointed a Committee to meet the Committee of the Assembly in conference on the subject of the last conference on the amendments of the St. John Nightly Watch Bill, and that he notify his appointment to the Assembly;

Mr. Attorney General from the Committee, appoint to conduct the conference with the Committee of the Council on the subject matter of the last conference on the Saint John Nightly Watch Bill reported that they had conferred this day with the Committee of the Council thereon, from whom they had received the following reasons in support of their amendments, to wit---

Council Chamber, 13th February, 1816.

The Council instruct their Committee appointed to manage the conference with the Assembly upon the subject of the last conference to state to the managers on the part of the Assembly in answer to their communication of the 12th instant, upon the same subject, that the Council have no wish nor inclination at any time, and that they had no intention in the present instance, in any manner, to infringe or interfere with the privileges of the House in Bills imposing any Tax or Burthen upon their constituents,—That the Council do not conceive it necessary on this occasion, to enter into any discussion of the nature or extent of those privileges, as they observe, with great satisfaction, that the House do not, merely on the grounds of there being Bills of this description, object to such amendments of them made by the Council, as are consistent with the views, intentions and meaning of the House in the clauses to which such amendments are proposed; and that the amendments now objected to by the House, appear to the Council to be principally of this latter description.

That the Council conceive the limitation in the amendment to the second section of the Bill, of the sum to be assessed upon any one Person for one year, to a sum not exceeding £5, to be merely declaratory of what was tacitly implied in the concomitant provisions in the same section of the Bill; because the Council could not suppose it to have been the intention of the House in an indirect and what the Council conceived would have been an improper manner to enlarge the jurisdiction of the City Court of the City of Saint John to an indefinite extent; and because it has been, as the Council believe, the invariable practice in all Acts of Assembly authorizing an assessment of any Tax upon the Inhabitants in any part of the Province, in some manner to limit the amount of the sum to be raised under and by virtue of any such Acts; and could it have been the intention of the House, either in this indirect manner, to enlarge the jurisdiction of the City Court, or to leave the sum to be assessed upon that portion of the Inhabitants of the City, in this regard, contemplated in the Bill without any limitation of control, it would have been, in

ment, if importance.

That with amendment, restraining the Council directed to be Act to four years, the Council direct to be ty stated, that in all cases where the provisions in any Bill appears to them to be such as to require the test of some experiment before they become the subject of a perpetual Law, of which nature they conceive the provisions in the Bill in question to be, they shall feel it to be their indispensable duty to annex a clause providing such test; nor do they conceive, that in so doing, they infringe any of the privileges of the House; be this, however, as it may—the Council have an undoubted rights to reject any Bill that they may deem it inexpedient to pass; in the present instance they conceived the Bill to be of too great importance to be rejected on the ground of this or of any of the other objects of amendment, without disclosing to the House the nature of their objections to it.

WM. F. ODELL, CLERK.

PARIS DEC. 8.

#### CHAMBER OF PEERS, DEC 6. Marshal Ney's Last Speech.

GENTLEMEN.—I am a Frenchman, and I will die as one. They have not been willing to hear my defenders.—I thank them for what they have done for me, and what they may still do; but I prefer not being defended at all, to being imperfectly defended. I will do as MOREAU did; appeal to Europe and Posterity.

MR. BELLERT (the Judge Advocate) demanded that there be no further delays.

The Chancellor. "Defenders,—You may use every argument, except such as the Court has interdicted."

Marshal NEY. "Since the Chamber will not hear *mesmoyens*\*; I forbid my Council to add any thing, the Chamber will judge me as they think proper."

The final requisition having been read, the Chancellor addressed the accused:—

"Accused—Have you any observations to make on the requisition?"

Marshal NEY. "Nothing at all, my Lord."

The Chancellor then directed the accused to be remanded, and the Court to be cleared.

NOTE.

\* The translators have been at a loss to render the meaning of this term. We imagine NEY alludes to his plea that he was not amenable to punishment, as being included in the indemnity stipulated for in the capitulation of Paris, and the treaty of Peace. The Court had previously pronounced this plea negatory.

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 27.

#### CONGRESS—INTERESTING.

The proceedings of the House of Representatives the 20th were interesting. In debating a proposition for the reduction of the Land Tax to Three Millions, MR. RANDOLPH assailed the whole system of the Committee;—severely reprobated the profuse expenses of the Military and Naval Departments; and declared that by a retrenchment of unnecessary expenses the internal taxes could be dispensed with. MR. CLAY rose with warmth, and pronounced that the aspect of our foreign relations required not only revenue but preparation; alluding, he said, to the situation of the Spanish Patriots, who claimed our sympathy; and to the report that DON ONIS had made the impudent claim of the restitution of West-Florida.

MR. RANDOLPH then moved that the Committee rise, and that immediate inquiry be made into the truth of the Speaker's intimation.

MR. CLAY disavowed any further knowledge of the fact than that it was reported, that the Spanish Minister had declared at a public party that he had made the demand.

Extract of a letter from Havana, dated Jan. 7.

"By an arrival this day from St. Martha, the news