

of Boat, and the said Corn or other articles aforesaid, loaded and laid on board as aforesaid, and to detain the same, and that information shall and may be thereupon made by His Majesty's Attorney General in the Supreme Court of this Province, and proceedings had to condemnation and sale according to the course of the said Court, and upon such condemnation and sale, the proceeds thereof shall be paid and applied as follows, that is to say, one moiety thereof, after deducting the costs and charges of prosecution to the officer who shall seize the same, or to the person who shall have given information in consequence of which such seizure shall have been made and prosecuted as the Court before which such prosecution may be had shall adjudge, and the other moiety to the Treasurer of the Province for the use of the same.

IV. *Provided also, and be it further enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor or Commander in Chief of this Province, for the time being, by and with the advice and consent of His Majesty's Council, at any time to suspend the operation of this Act by Proclamation under his Hand and Seal for that purpose made and published.

New-Brunswick Legislature

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Assembly.

FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY.

On motion, ordered, that Mr. Peters be added to the Committee for the purpose of ascertaining what further sums are wanted for improving and repairing the Great Roads of Communication in this Province, in the room of Mr. Yeamans whose Election has been determined to be void.

A Bill "further to continue the several Acts now in force for raising a Revenue in this Province," being brought in by the Committee appointed for that purpose, was read a first time.

The House according to the order of the day resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on "A Bill to amend and explain an Act, intituled, an Act to encourage the Fisheries of this Province."

Mr. Agnew took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Agnew from the Committee reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill to them referred, and had agreed to the same under its title.

Which report the House agreed to.

Ordered that the Bill be engrossed.

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's Accounts reported, that they had attended to that duty, and that the Account marked

No. 1, Is an Abstract of the Light-House duties collected at Saint John in the year 1816, amounting to £570 7 2 and is accompanied by an Account Current, with the Light-House; balance £432 17 2 which is carried to the Credit of the General Account Current marked K.

No. 2, Contains the particular account of the ordinary Provincial Duties on Articles imported into Saint John, between 1st January and 31st December, 1816, amounting to £1894 13 8.

No. 3, Is an Account of the entries of Goods imported into Saint John by non-residents, subject to the duty of 2½ per cent; between 1st January and 31st December, 1816, amounting to £645 10 11½.

No. 4, Is an abstract of Accounts of duties received and due the Province on Sales at Auction in Saint John, amounting to £815 3 8½.

No. 5, Is an abstract of Warrants issued by His Honor the PRESIDENT, and paid at the Province Treasury in the year 1816, amounting to £38619 4 10.

No. 6, Is an abstract of 107 Cases of drawbacks on dutiable Articles exported, paid out of the Province Treasury in 1816, amounting to £3777 6 10.

The Accounts marked A and B have been rendered by the Deputy Treasurer at Miramichi, from which it appears that the dutiable Articles imported into that place between 21st November, 1815, and 1st December, 1816, together with the duties on Goods imported by non-residents, between those periods, have produced a Revenue (after deducting the Dy. Treasurer's commission) of £3011 16 4. And by the Account Current, mark C, rendered by the said Deputy Treasurer, there appears to be a balance on Bonds remaining in his Office, not yet due, of £937 1 7½.

The Accounts marked D, have been rendered by the Deputy Treasurer of Charlotte County, from which it appears that the ordinary duties on Merchandize imported into that County in the year 1816, together with the duties on Goods imported by non-residents, the duties on Oxen, Horses and Timber, and the duty on Sales at Auction, have produced a Revenue (after deducting the Deputy Treasurer's commission) of £3783 15 2. And by the Account Current rendered by the said Deputy Treasurer up to 31st December, 1816, it appears that there was then a balance in his Office in Cash, Bonds, &c. of £3079 11 8.

Besides a balance remaining unpaid on Bonds taken by the late Deputy Treasurer, £2491 13 8

£5570 5 4

E, Is an Account Current rendered by the Deputy Treasurer of Westmorland, from which it appears that the amount of duties, together with £78 19 1½ received by him from the Estate of the late Deputy Treasurer, between 26th July, 1815, and 31st December, 1816, amounts to £548 18 3½

Towards which there appears to have been paid into the Province Treasury £54 18 6, this, with a commission of £6 2 0 charged by the Deputy Treasurer amounts to 6100 6

Balance to be accounted for £487 17 9½

F, Is the Account Current of the Deputy Treasurer of York County, with the Province Treasurer, between 23d December, 1815, and 24th December, 1816, by which it appears, that with the old balance of £101 12 8½ and £88 received by him for duties between those periods, there remains a balance of £41 4 0 to be accounted for.

G, Is an Account rendered by the Deputy Treasurer of the District of St. Peter's, of Articles imported into that District, between the 1st May and 1st December, 1815, the duty upon which is £780 4 1½ and the late Treasurer gives him Credit for £75 13 3 received on account thereof.

He has rendered no Account for 1816; but, by the Treasurer's General Account, it appears that he has paid into the Province Treasury £23 19 7 in that year.

The Accounts marked H, have been rendered by the Deputy Treasurer at Shediac, and by them, it appears, that the net amount of Provincial duties received by him in the year 1815, amounted to £124 16 3½ And the net amount of do. 240 11 3½

£266 7 7

And by the report of the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts last Session, it appears he had remitted to the Province Treasury £185 13 9

And in the Treasurer's General Statement marked K, he gives Credit for £155 10 6 received from said Deputy Treasurer, £155 10 6 £241 13 8

Balance to be accounted for £24 3 11

I, Is an abstract of accounts of contingent expences incurred in the Province Treasury in the year 1816, including an account for Blanks, Advertising and Stationary £206 6 3; and two several accounts by John Chaloner for Guaging, &c. in 1816, amounting to £143 9 6.

Note: In John Chaloner's Account marked No. 2, there are two errors in calculation, making an overcharge of £ 10.

K, Is the general state of the Public Accounts—The Treasurer with the Province up to 31st December, 1816; balance in the Chest in Cash, Bonds, Notes and Bills £20636 11 8.

The Treasurer produced to this Committee the vouchers necessary to elucidate and establish his Accounts; they are accurate and correct in every respect, and methodically stated—all of which is respectfully submitted to this Honorable House.

THOMAS MILLIDGE,
RICHARD SIMONDS,
RUFUS SMITH,
Fredericton, 20th February, 1817.

On motion ordered that the House do now go again into Committee upon "A Bill to regulate the times of holding the

Circuit Courts in this Province, and to lessen the expences of Trials in the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Mr. Millidge took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Millidge from the Committee reported that in the Committee the following resolution was moved and seconded:—to wit,

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Committee that the consideration of this Bill should be postponed for three months.

On which Resolution the House divided as follows:—

YEAS.—Mr. P. Fraser, Mr. Dew, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wilmot, Mr. Miles, Mr. Simonds, Mr. Scovil, Mr. Peters, Mr. Ward, Mr. Humbert, Mr. Porter, Mr. Pagan.

NAYS.—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Brittain, Mr. Wetmore, Mr. Agnew, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Easterbrooks, Mr. Smith.

And it therefore passed in the affirmative.

Which Report the House agreed to.

Read an engrossed Bill "For the more effectual preventing and further punishment of Forgery."

Ordered thereupon, that the Bill do pass, and that Mr. Millidge and Mr. Wilmot carry the same to the Council and desire their concurrence.

On motion, ordered that the House do now go again into Committee of the whole House, upon consideration of the Report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the necessities of the Inhabitants of the Province, occasioned by the failure of the last crop.

Mr. Mackay took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Mackay from the Committee reported that the Committee had come to the following Resolutions:

Resolved that the following sums will be necessary to relieve the wants of the Inhabitants of the several Counties in this Province: to wit,

City and County of St. John,	£1000
County of Charlotte,	750
County of York,	1200
County of Northumberland,	1900
County of Sunbury,	500
Queen's County,	300
King's County,	750
County of Westmorland,	500
	£6000

And that it was the opinion of the Committee that a Bill be brought in "to provide for the necessities of the Inhabitants of the Province occasioned by the failure of the last crop."

Which report the House received.

Ordered thereupon, that Mr. Agnew and Mr. Wetmore be a Committee to bring in a Bill to that effect.

A Message from His Honor the PRESIDENT.

"NEW-BRUNSWICK.
MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,
19TH FEBRUARY, 1817.

"H. W. HAILES.

"The PRESIDENT has observed, in the Journal of the last Session, a Resolution to make provision for defraying the expence of running the Boundary Lines between several Counties of this Province; and finds, upon enquiry, that not only the Boundary Lines in question, but the Boundaries of all the Counties and Parishes, as well as all the Grants of Land in the Province, have hitherto been uncertain and indefinite, from having been referred to the magnetic meridian, which is known to be subject to a gradual variation of different extent in different places.

"He therefore recommends to the consideration of the House, the making of adequate provision for ascertaining the present amount of this variation in such parts of the Province as the case may be found to require, in order to remove, without further loss of time, and prevent the future recurrence of those doubts and uncertainties in which all public and private Boundaries are now involved; which can be done only by finding their position in reference to the true meridian."

"H. W. H."

SATURDAY, 22D FEBRUARY.

Read a second time, "A Bill further to continue the several Acts now in force for raising a Revenue in this Province."

Ordered that the Bill be now committed.

The House, according to order, resolved

itself into a Committee of the whole house, upon "A Bill further to continue the several Acts now in force for raising a Revenue in this Province."

Mr. Simonds, took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Simonds from the Committee reported that the Committee had gone into consideration of the Bill to them referred, and had agreed to the same under its title.

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

Read a first time, "A Bill in addition to and amendment of an Act, intituled, an Act for regulating Pilots."

Ordered that the Bill be now read a second time—which being read,

Ordered that the Bill be now committed.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee of whole House, upon "A Bill in addition to and amendment of an Act intituled an Act for regulating Pilots."

Mr. Mackay took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Mackay from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill to them referred, and had agreed to the same with an amendment, which he delivered in at the Clerk's Table, where the same were read.

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

Read a second time, "A Bill to alter and amend an Act, intituled an Act for regulating Elections of Representatives in General Assembly, and for limiting the duration of Assemblies in this Province."

Ordered that the Bill be now committed.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, upon a Bill to alter and amend an Act intituled "An Act for regulating Elections of Representatives in General Assembly, and for limiting the duration of Assemblies in this Province."

Mr. Smith took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Smith from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Bill to them referred; and had agreed to the same with amendments, which he delivered in at the Clerk's Table where the same were read.

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

Mr. Millidge moved for leave to bring in "A Bill to regulate the exportation of dutiable Articles from and out of this Province." Leave was granted.

NEW-YORK, JAN. 14.

A letter from Havana to a gentleman in Baltimore, dated 23d December last, mentions that the Royal troops had taken Boquilla de Piedras, and put to the sword its patriotic garrison.

Capt. Burchmore, at Salem from Brazil, which he left the 6th of December, informs, that a vessel arrived at Pernambuco a few days before he sailed, with letters, some of which stated, that the Portuguese had taken possession of Monte Video; and others, that the Portuguese troops had deserted, and gone over to the Patriots.

JANUARY, 15.

A letter from Richmond, dated Jan. 10, says, "We are sorry to inform you, that so much flour is shipping direct for England, that the prospect for vessels coastwise is gloomy indeed. We fear many must be laid up."

BOSTON, JAN. 30.

Late from China.

By the Macedonian, Capt. Blackman, arrived at New-York, in 119 days from Canton.

Details of the British Embassy to Pekin.

The Company's ship Lord Hues, Capt. Campbell, had returned from the Yellow Sea, where she landed the presents belonging to the British embassy to Pekin. The information by that ship was that the embassy was well received by the inhabitants at the place where it landed, who furnished all the ships plentifully with refreshments, and permitted the crews to ramble through the country undisturbed. But these circumstances coming to the knowledge of the Mandarins in the country, they expressed much displeasure at their having landed on the coast without permission, and immediately put a stop to their supplies and their intercourse with the shore.