

FREDERICTON.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Assembly.

20th Feb. 1827.

Mr. Johnston, Chairman of the Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's 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, shewing a balance in his hand on the 31st December last of £15 14 5.

He credits £46 1 3½ 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 18s. 8d.

He credits £14 19 8 amount of tonnage 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.

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 had 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 St. Andrews,” with amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honourable House.”

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. Wilnot took the Chair of the Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Wilnot 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. 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 a 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, Adultery, and Fornication.”

Leave granted. And the said bill being brought in was read a first time.

21st Feb. 1827.

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, Adultery, and Fornication.”

On motion of Mr. Campbell—the House went into Committee of the whole, upon the reconsideration of a Bill, to render and make valid, certain Marriage, heretofore solemnized in this Province.”

Mr. J. Wilnot took the Chair of the Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Wilnot 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 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 ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the report be accepted and leave granted.

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 the several Supervisors of Great Roads, throughout the Province.”

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 St. George, in the County of Charlotte, and to provide for the inspection of Smoked Herrings in the said County.

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 Saint 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, 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.

22d Feb. 1827.

On motion of Mr. Parker—The House went into Committee of the whole on a bill further to alter and amend An intituled “An Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce, and for preventing and punishing Incest, Adultery, 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.

On motion of Mr. M'Kay—The House according to the order of 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.

23d Feb. 1827.

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 third time as engrossed, a bill, further to alter and amend an Act intituled, “An Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce, and for preventing Incest, Adultery, 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. M'Kay—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 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 said 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 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 that the report be accepted and the Bill as amended engrossed, under the title as amended.

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 Honourable 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 expenses of these establishments out of the Produce of duties of Customs which they are appointed to collect.

“H. D.”

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.

24th Feb. 1827.

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. C. Simonds took the Chair of the Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Simonds from the Committee reported