

THE GLEANER:

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"Nec araneorum sane texus ideo melior, quia ex se fila gignunt nec noster vilior quia ex alienis libamus ut apes."

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NEW-BRUNSWICK LEGISLATURE,

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, FEBRUARY 25.

WAYS AND MEANS

Continued.

Mr END contended that the reason for the high duty on brandy in England was, that it was a foreign manufacture, and it was therefore intended to encourage the home manufacture of brandy, and the consequent use of grain. He was for raising the duty last year, but from enquiries he had since made, he had found that the duty had lessened the revenue, by inducing smuggling; and he was therefore more against it.

Mr SLASON thought the duty already high.

Mr GILBERT thought the additional duty highly necessary, and would also go for an increase on rum, if it should be proposed.

Mr CUNARD insisted that raising the duty on brandy would lessen the revenue, and bring bad brandy into the country.

Mr CHANDLER thought Mr Cunard had wandered very much in his ideas on the subject; and that the hon. member's argument was most absurd. He (Mr Chandler) always understood that where duties were indiscriminately imposed, they would have the tendency to cause the best quality of the article to be imported, because it would pay the duty better.

Mr CUNARD charged the hon. member who spoke last, with always perverting and misconstruing his (Mr Cunard's) arguments.

Mr KINNEAR argued in support of the resolution, on the ground of improving the morals of the community by throwing every impediment in the way of intemperance, and on the presumption that it would be very difficult to smuggle brandy into the province.

Mr SPEAKER and Mr BROWN spoke in favor of the resolution, and Mr WYER against it. The question was then put and carried.

Mr S. HUMBERT moved a similar resolution with respect to rum; which, after considerable opposition, was withdrawn.

Mr SIMONDS then moved a general resolution, to the effect that it was expedient to pass a bill to raise a revenue in this province, and to continue all the duties contained in the present revenue act, with the addition of a small duty on loaf sugar, and a small additional duty on brandy, and with a small reduction in the duty on oxen imported into the province.

Mr PARTELOW suggested that the words "and whisky" should be introduced into the resolution after the word "brandy"—The amendment was adopted without opposition.

Some desultory discussion they took place, on the whole resolution; some of the agricultural members objecting to the insertion of that part relating to the reduction of the cattle duty. Mr CHANDLER moved that that part of the resolution be struck out. The committee divided on the question which was negatived. The original resolution, with the amendment as to Whiskey, was then put and carried.—The Chairman, (Mr DOV,) then left the chair, reported the resolution and obtained leave to sit again.

Mr WELDON, on the House resuming, gave notice that at the next sitting of the Committee of Ways and Means, he should bring forward his proposition respecting the issue of provincial notes.

Mr PARTELOW, (*per contra*) gave notice, that he should oppose it.

FROM THE JOURNALS.

February 9.

Read a second time the following Bills;

A Bill to enable the Minister, Elders, and Committee, for the time being, of the Church in connexion with the Presbyterian Church in Nova Scotia, lately erected in the Town of Chatham, to hold the same to them and their successors for ever, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A Bill to amend an Act passed in the first year of His present Majesty's Reign intituled "An Act to repeal the Acts now in force regulating the exportation of Lumber and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

February 29.

On motion of Mr WYER, Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had on a Bill to incorporate sundry persons by the name of the Saint Andrews Steam Boat Company.

Ordered, That Mr WYER be a Committee for that purpose.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Council, to a Bill to continue and amend the Acts relating to the support and relief of confined Debtors; and they being read, and the question severally put thereon.

Resolved, That the House do concur therein

Ordered, That Mr WELDON return the Bill, with the amendments, to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

The Chairman reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Bill referred to them, and that in the Committee it was moved, that the blank in the 1st Sec. of the said Bill imposing a duty on foreign Oxen, be filled up with the sum of forty shillings: And it was carried in the affirmative.

The question was then taken upon filling up another blank in the same section, imposing a duty on Wine not in bottles, with the sum of one shilling and sixpence, when the Committee again divided: And it was carried in the affirmative.

March 2.

Read a second time, the following Bills, sent down from the Council, viz:

A Bill to improve the Laws relating to Mortgages; and A Bill further to amend the Law regulating the qualifications of Church Wardens and Vestrymen in this Province.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Council to a Bill to provide against the importation and spreading of distempers in the Counties of Westmorland, Gloucester, and Kent.

And it being read, and the question put thereon:—

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

On motion of Mr RANKIN, Whereas, in consequence of the barren state of the land between the Bartebogue and the Tabusintack Rivers, in the County of Northumberland, through which the present line of road leads, doubts have arisen as to the expediency of continuing the said line of road:—

Therefore resolved, That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying, that he may be pleased to order the Supervisor of the said road to explore a new line of road between the aforesaid, and expended the money granted this present Session for the road between Goodfellow's and Forein's, on the line so to be explored; provided he finds it a better line of road, and more adapted for settlement than the present line: and further, that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the expenses incurred in making such exploration be paid out of the said grant: provided the same do not exceed the sum of twenty-five pounds.

Ordered, That Mr RANKIN, Mr BROWN, and Mr

Gilbert, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the Address.

Resolved, as to the opinion of this Committee, that a Committee be appointed to investigate the subject matter of the allegations in the Petition of Richard S. Clarke, Esquire, High Sheriff of the County of Northumberland, and report thereon, at the next Session of the General Assembly.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to examine the Accounts of the late Attorney General Wetmore, and also the Petition of Richard S. Clarke, Esq. Sheriff of the County of Northumberland, and report thereon at the next Session of the Legislature.

To Peter Cook, a licensed Teacher, the sum of £10 to remunerate him for teaching a School at Addington, in the County of Gloucester, in the year 1830.

March 3.

Resolved, That there be granted to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, the sum of £100 for the support of a Light House on Brier's Island, in the Province of Nova Scotia.

To the Assistant Clerk of the Legislative Council, the sum of £25, for his services the present Session.

To the Speaker of the House of Assembly, the sum of £150, for the present Session, and to each and every Member of the House of Assembly for defraying the expenses of attendance in General Assembly for each and every day's attendance the sum of 20s. per day, such attendance to be certified by the Speaker: Provided always, that no greater sum shall be allowed for the attendance of any member for the present Session, than the sum of fifty pounds, and for travelling charges of the Members the sum of twenty shillings per day, allowing twenty miles for each day's travel, to be also certified by the Speaker agreeably to a law of the Province.

To Doctor John Boyd, Innoculating Surgeon of the Vaccine Institution, at the City of St. John the sum of £20, for his services for the year 1830, and the further sum of £20, for his services for the year 1831.

And the Chairman further reported that he was directed to ask leave to sit again; which was granted.

The Resolutions being then agreed to by the House were ordered to be engrossed.

To John Bainbridge, and Henry Bliss, Esquires, such sum as will procure Bills of Exchange, for £100 sterling each, for their services as Agents for the Province for the year 1831.

Whereas John Bainbridge, and Henry Bliss, Esqrs. the Provincial Agents, in consequence of the agitation of questions in England, which if carried, would have affected the commercial interests of the Country in the most serious manner, have rendered important services in being instrumental in defeating the contemplated measures, and much additional time has been necessarily devoted by them to the interests of the Province, besides the expenses they have become subject to in obtaining information and documents regarding the questions under consideration: Therefore resolved, there be granted unto John Bainbridge, and Henry Bliss, Esquires, for their services last year in addition to the usual grant, such sum as will produce Bills of Exchange, for £50 sterling each.

NORTHUMBERLAND BYE ROADS.

The sum of £20 for the road from Donnelly's landing on the southwest branch of Miramichi river, to the Horse-Shoe settlement in Cain's river, in the Parish of Blackville.

The sum of £20 for the road from Indian Town to the farm of James Donaldson, on Renou's river in the Parish of Blackville.