

FREDERICTON.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE. Extracts from the Journals of the House of Assembly.

Thursday 15th Feb. 1827.

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

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 leave to sit again. Ordered that the report be accepted and leave granted.

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 for granting further aid in support of the Grammar School in the Town of St. 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 as amended engrossed.

Mr. McKay 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. Scott pursuant to leave brought in a bill to encourage the destruction of Bears in this Province. Which was read a first time.

Read a third time as engrossed, a bill to continue "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 St. 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of His late Majesty, to prevent the taking of Fish in the different Harbours of the Province, with drift nets, may be repealed.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.

16th Feb. 1827.

Read a second time, the following bills:— A bill to encourage the destruction of Bears in this Province.

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. 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, 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 on Bonds and Cash, on the 31st of Dec. last, £33912 15 2.

No. 2, Is a particular Account of the duties on West India produce, Wine, Gin, Brandy &c. imported into St. John, between 1st January, and 30th April, 1826, amounting to £3813 0 0.

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 £10117 2 8.

No. 4, Is an account of the money paid to the Province Treasurer by the Collector and Comptroller of the Customs at St. John, for duties collected by them in 1826, under the present Act of Parliament, amounting to £10766 16 4.

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 a statement should be called for.

No. 5, Is an account of the Light House duty collected at St. John, in 1826, amounting to £964 19 0.

From which deduct Keepers Salary, £150 0 0
Supplies furnished by Wm. Donald, 237 19 2

£387 19 2—572 19 10

No. 6, the account of the Auction duty collected at St. John in 1826 amounting to 241 15 2

Amount of Revenue Collected at St. John, £25512 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 Jan. last, £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 Saint John, for which certificates have not yet been returned, amounting to £915 4 0.

No. 10 Is the account of contingent expenses incurred at the Treasurer's office, in 1826, amounting to £239 16 1. viz:—

2 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 of Stationary, Portage &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 St. Andrews, with the Province Treasurer—shewing a balance in his hands in Bonds and Cash, on the 31st Dec. last, £4923 4 3.

No. 12, Is a particular account of duties on West-India Produce, Wine, Gin, Brandy, &c. secured at St. 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 St. Andrews between 1st May and 31st December, 1826, amounting to £3332 18 10.

No. 14, Is an account of the Collector and Comptroller of H. M. 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.

No credit is given by the Treasurer for any money received from the Collector and Comptroller of H. M. 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 1826, amounting to £30.

No. 16, is an account of Seizures made in Charlotte County between the 31st December, 1825, and 31st December, 1826, the Provincial share of which is £324 10.

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

No. 17, is an account current of money paid on Merchandise exported from Saint Andrews, between 1st Jan. and 31st Dec. 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 St. 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 St. 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 the particular account of duties collected by the Deputy Treasurer at West Isles in 1825, amounting to £244.

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, showing a balance in his hands in Bonds, on the 31st December, 1826, amounting to £5628 6 6.

No. 26, Is a particular account of duties on West India Produce, Wine, Brandy, &c. &c. imported into Miramichi in 1826, amounting to £4004 18 11.

Annexed to this account is a statement of 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 December 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 stated 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 £326 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 £39015 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, 391 12 11
Miramichi, 4604 10 5
Richibucto, 326 12 11
York, 96 13 3

£35,090 8 8

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

All of which is respectfully submitted to this Honourable 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