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HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY. ROAD APPROPRIATIONS, FOR 1843.

[The Districts are numbered agreeably to the new Statute Labour Bill.]

PRINCE COUNTY.

District No. 1.

Repairing Road from Reiley's to North Cape, Lot 1, - - - - -	14 0 0
Road from Kildare Bridge to Tignish, where most required, - - - - -	13 0 0
Road on Lots 2 and 3, Gulph Shore, - - - - -	16 0 0
Roads on Lot 4, - - - - -	23 0 0
Bridge at Westlake's, - - - - -	8 0 0
Bridge at Mill River, - - - - -	8 0 0
Road from Lot Five Mills to Halloran's, on Lot 7, - - - - -	25 0 0
From Fox-Island to Cascumpeque Point, Road between Lots 5 and 6, to Yeo's Mill, Road on Lot 6, where most required, - - - - -	15 0 0
Western Road, - - - - -	10 0 0
From Large's Mills to Cascumpeque, - - - - -	18 10 0

District No. 2.

Where most required on Lot 7, - - - - -	15 0 0
From Halloran's, Lot 7, to Western Road, - - - - -	15 0 0
Roads on Lot 8, where most required, - - - - -	25 0 0
Roads on Lot 9, where most required, - - - - -	20 0 0
Western Road, where most required, - - - - -	45 0 0
From Maclean's to Western Road, - - - - -	40 0 0
From Maclean's to Barlow's Mills, - - - - -	10 0 0

District No. 3.

Road from Cross River to Angus Macdonald's, Road and Bridge from Plasted's Mill to John Carr's, - - - - -	8 0 0
Western Road, Lot 14, - - - - -	20 0 0
Bridge near Craswell's Mill, - - - - -	15 0 0
Road from Port Hill to Brown's shore - - - - -	10 0 0
Western Road, Lot 13, - - - - -	9 0 0
Road, North and South of Ellis River Bridge, Road from St. Joseph's Village to Higgins's Ferry, - - - - -	12 0 0
Bridge on Egmont Bay Road, - - - - -	8 0 0
Road from Abraham's Village to Fifteen-point, - - - - -	15 0 0
Fifteen-point to Mascouche, - - - - -	6 0 0
Main Road, from Fifteen-point to the shore, Road from Ellis River Bridge to Egmont Bay, Road from Roderick Maclean's to Western Road, - - - - -	7 0 0
Road from Rogers's to Alexander Campbell's, Road from Hugh Smith's to Linkletter's Mills, Road from Hillsou's to Green's shore, - - - - -	10 0 0

District No. 4.

Bridge on road leading to James Cousins's, Flag Pond Bridge, - - - - -	6 0 0
Indian River Bridge, - - - - -	6 0 0
Bridge at Dempsey's old road, - - - - -	10 0 0
Bridge near Alexander Mackinnon's, Other Bridges, from Jamieson's to the Old Village, - - - - -	5 0 0
Causeway at Hillson's, - - - - -	7 10 0
Roads and Bridges on Fermoy, - - - - -	11 0 0
Opening Dugal's Road, Lot 18, - - - - -	8 0 0
Roads and Bridges in Princetown Royalty, Darnley Bridge—to be paid, when the Commissioner shall have certified that the subscriptions in aid thereof shall have been paid in, - - - - -	18 10 0

District No. 5.

Repairing Aboiteau, Tryon River, - - - - -	8 0 0
Gouldrup's Mill Bridge, - - - - -	8 0 0
New Road to Back Settlement, Tryon, - - - - -	8 0 0
For opening and repairing old Tryon Road, to County Line, - - - - -	5 0 0
Repairing Bridge and Causeway, at Calbeck's, - - - - -	20 0 0
Repairing Bridge and Causeway, near Michael Clark's, - - - - -	8 0 0
To repair Bridge and Causeway, Augustine Cove, - - - - -	14 0 0
Repairs of Hector Campbell's Bridge, Cape Traverse, - - - - -	18 0 0
New Road from South West to Burns's, Road from Taylor's Mill to Anderson's Road, Road on County Line, between Lots 67 & 27, General repairs, where most required, - - - - -	18 0 0
Wilnot Creek Bridge, - - - - -	20 0 0
Extending road between Lots 19 and 25, - - - - -	20 0 0

WHARVES.

To Richard Cole, on account of last Year's Contract, - - - - -	5 0 0
Repairs of Bedeque Wharf, - - - - -	5 0 0
New Block and Bridge at Hurd's Point, - - - - -	60 0 0
Wharf at Green's Shore, - - - - -	145 0 0
Wharf at Ellis River, - - - - -	20 0 0
Total	£1,100 0 0

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

District No. 4, in Queen's County.

Floating Bridge at Campbell's Pond, - - - - -	35 0 0
Painter's Bridge, - - - - -	8 0 0
Bridge on Creek at Long River, - - - - -	3 0 0
New Bridge near Marks's, - - - - -	4 0 0
Spring Brook Bridge Railing, - - - - -	5 0 0
Bridge at Burke's, Irishtown, - - - - -	5 0 0
Wharf at Long River, in addition to £23 by private subscription, - - - - -	23 0 0
Total	£83 0 0

District No. 5, Queen's County.

That part of Anderson's Road in Queen's County, - - - - -	40 0 0
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District No. 6.

New Bridge on Graham's Road (at White's Brook), - - - - -	10 0 0
Bridges on Princetown Road, between Bag-nall's and Haslem's, - - - - -	10 0 0
New Glasgow Road, from Bolt's, Westward, Road from Johnston's, (on Princetown Road) to Anderson's Road, - - - - -	10 0 0
Bridge at Billings's Mill, - - - - -	15 0 0
Total	£1,100 0 0

BRIDGES ON ROAD FROM GRAHAM'S ROAD TO MILL RIVER, - - - - -

5 0 0
10 0 0
10 0 0

District No. 7.

Road from Mabey's to Sable, - - - - -	17 0 0
Macnaught's Bridge, Crapaud, - - - - -	15 0 0
Sable Back Settlement Road, - - - - -	10 0 0
Road from Sable to Canoe Cove, - - - - -	14 0 0
From Elliot River Bridge to South Shore, Lot 30, - - - - -	16 0 0
From M'Even's to the shore, Canoe Cove, From Bonshaw to Alexander M'Niven's, - - - - -	14 0 0
To improve the road, and raise two Bridges on the road leading from Mackie's to Macneill's Creek, Lot 65, - - - - -	11 10 0
New Road from Mabey's to the new Settlement in the rear of Lot 65, - - - - -	17 13 0
Bannockburn Settlement road, - - - - -	18 0 0
Bridge on Sable Hill, - - - - -	10 0 0
From York River to Dog River, - - - - -	10 0 0
To reduce a Hill near Maclean's, New Bedeque Road, - - - - -	8 0 0

District No. 8.

Bridges at Poplar Island, - - - - -	5 0 0
Road from Princetown Road to New Glasgow Road, by Crabb's Mill, - - - - -	14 0 0
Princetown Road, outside the Royalty, Union Road (North end), - - - - -	8 0 0
Winsloe Road, North of Buxton's, - - - - -	15 0 0
Brackley Point Road, where most required, Bridge over Mathewson's Mill Brook, Roads within Charlottetown Royalty, - - - - -	20 0 0
Total	92 10 0

District No. 9.

To raise a Bridge over a hollow near John Macdonald's, Allisary, - - - - -	14 0 0
Road leading from Vernon River, towards Pisquid, commencing from the rear of Lot 37, - - - - -	15 0 0
Main Road leading from Johnston's River Bridge, towards Pisquid, - - - - -	13 0 0
Monaghan Road, - - - - -	8 0 0
Road from Tracadie Cross-roads, towards the Sand Hills, including Ready's Bridge, Road from the Portage towards Tracadie, From Grand Tracadie towards Corranban, From Tracadie Sand Hills towards Point de Roche, Lot 37, - - - - -	8 0 0

District No. 10.

For putting a substantial railing on Frenchfort Bridge, and repairing the same, - - - - -	6 0 0
In aid of building a Wharf on the South side of Hillsborough River, opposite Cranberry Point, provided the inhabitants there subscribe and pay an equal sum towards the same object, - - - - -	40 0 0
Road leading from Stanhope towards Corranban, - - - - -	10 0 0
Friston Road, between Suffolk Road and Stanhope, - - - - -	15 0 0
Suffolk Road and Bridges, - - - - -	10 0 0
Bridge over Auld's Mill Stream, - - - - -	15 0 0
Bridge at Auld's Mill Dam, in addition to £5 granted in the Session of 1842, - - - - -	8 0 0
West end of Tracadie Road and Bridges, and railing old Saw Mill Bridge, Cove-head Road, - - - - -	14 0 0
Bridge over Goff's Creek, and cutting down hills there, and repairing St Peter's Road, Lot 34, - - - - -	13 0 0

District No. 11.

To repair the old Road from Hillsborough Bay to the shore of Hillsborough River, near Charlottetown Ferry, - - - - -	7 0 0
Road leading from Keppoch to Charlottetown Ferry, - - - - -	9 0 0
Road from Forbes's Mill towards Stewart's Saw Mill, - - - - -	9 0 0
Road from Macdonald's Saw Mill towards Johnston's River, - - - - -	9 0 0
Road from Thomas M'Carthy's, Johnston's River Point, to the Main Road, - - - - -	4 0 0
Tarentum Settlement Road, Lot 35, and Bridge on Glenfinnan River, - - - - -	12 0 0
Seal River Bridge, - - - - -	37 0 0
Wharf at China Point—to be paid, when the Commissioner shall have certified that the subscriptions in aid thereof shall have been paid in, - - - - -	50 0 0
Road from Georgetown Road to Orwell Head, - - - - -	10 0 0
Main Road from Charlottetown to Georgetown, - - - - -	14 11 4

District No. 12.

New line of Road leading from the Murray Harbour Road to the Shore, Wood Islands, Road leading from the vicinity of Orwell Head, to join the new line of Road at the County line, north side Montague River, Half Mile of new Road on the County line towards Brown's Creek, - - - - -	8 0 0
Road from Murray Harbour Road to the County line, South side Montague River, Raising Green Marsh Bridge, - - - - -	12 0 0
Raising the hollow at John Fraser's, near Pinette Mills, - - - - -	6 0 0
Road leading from Belfast towards Eoin's Point, New Bridge near Colin M'Kenzie's, Wood Island Road, - - - - -	8 0 0
New covering and raising Flat River-head Bridge, - - - - -	40 0 0
A Mile and a half of Road from Belle Creek lower Bridge towards Wood Islands, Wharf at East side of Orwell Ferry Point, Lot 57—to be paid, when the Commissioner shall have certified that the subscriptions in aid thereof shall have been paid in, - - - - -	6 0 0
To be expended where most required in the District, - - - - -	50 0 0
Total	£1,100 0 0

KING'S COUNTY.

District No. 12.

Midgelle Bridge - - - - -	100 0 0
Road from County line to Macdermot's From Head of Hillsborough River, across the barrens, - - - - -	5 0 0
From Mullally's to Harbour's Mouth, - - - - -	3 0 0
Morel Bridge, - - - - -	3 0 0
Road West side of Morel, - - - - -	15 0 0
Road through the settlement on Marsh Road, Head of St. Peter's Bay, towards Cardigan, - - - - -	5 0 0
Road to Bay Fortune, - - - - -	8 0 0
From Head of the Bay to O'Hanley's, - - - - -	3 0 0
Leslie's Mill to Cablehead, - - - - -	4 0 0
Wharf at the end of Cablehead road, Wharf at Wilt's shore, in addition to grant of last year, - - - - -	55 0 0
Total	10 0 0

District No. 13.

To reduce Hill at M'Caskil's Bridge, - - - - -	5 0 0
To reduce Fox River Hills, - - - - -	2 0 0
Cow River Bridge, - - - - -	12 0 0
Naufrage Bridge, - - - - -	5 0 0
Line road between Lots 43 and 44, - - - - -	20 0 0
From Bay Fortune Church to line of Lot 42, From Macrae's to Dingwell's Mills, - - - - -	15 0 0
From Cooper's Mills to Head of Grand River, From Red-house to Grand River, - - - - -	25 0 0
To rail Bridge at Asa Symondson's, - - - - -	18 0 0
From head of Rollo Bay to James Coffin's, New Road from Dingwell's Mills to head of Grand River, - - - - -	1 10 0
To rail and repair Hollow River Bridge, Road from Strangman's to Robertson's, To Thomas Owen, Esq., to complete Grand River Wharf, - - - - -	5 0 0
Total	50 0 0

District No. 14.

From Souris to East Point, - - - - -	15 0 0
From Portage to Alexander Beaton's, - - - - -	10 0 0
David Anderson's Bridge, - - - - -	3 0 0
Murray's Mill Bridge, - - - - -	6 0 0
Little River Bridge, - - - - -	6 0 0
Big Pond Bridge, - - - - -	5 0 0
Hay River Bridge, and to rail the Hill, - - - - -	15 0 0
Bear River Bridge, - - - - -	8 0 0
North Lake Bridge, - - - - -	20 0 0
East Lake Bridge, - - - - -	7 10 0
Flanagan's Bridge, - - - - -	8 0 0
New Harmony road, - - - - -	6 0 0
Mill road, through Lot 45, - - - - -	25 0 0
North River Bridge, - - - - -	10 0 0
Breast-works to guard Big Pond, Bear River, and Hay River Bridges, - - - - -	15 0 0
Souris Mill roads, where most required, Crooked River Bridge, - - - - -	10 0 0
Wharf west side of Souris Harbour, - - - - -	4 0 0
Total	25 0 0

District No. 15.

For three small Bridges and the Road from Peter Morrison's to Grand River Road, To straighten and repair the old Grand River Road, - - - - -	9 0 0
For the new Road from Narrow's Creek to Dingwell's Mill Pond, - - - - -	7 0 0
From Goff's Mill to Grand River, - - - - -	12 0 0
From ditto to Launching place, - - - - -	6 0 0
For a new Bridge, and cutting down the hill, head of Mitchell's River, - - - - -	4 0 0
From head of Cardigan River towards Launching Place, - - - - -	4 0 0
From head of Cardigan towards St. Peter's, From ditto towards Pisquid, - - - - -	10 0 0
Georgetown Road, - - - - -	15 0 0
Buck's Road, - - - - -	12 0 0
From Buck's Road towards Murray Harbour Road, - - - - -	10 0 0
From Buck's Road to Montague Bridge, Bridge head of Brudenell River, - - - - -	12 0 0
From Montague Bridge to head of Brudenell River, - - - - -	4 0 0
To build a new Bridge, and straighten the Road from Sauphay's towards M'Avoy's, Georgetown Road, - - - - -	5 0 0
Swamps on Dingwell's Mill Road, - - - - -	12 0 0
To be placed at the Commissioner's disposal, to be applied where most required in the District, - - - - -	15 0 0

District No. 16.

For a Wharf at Launching Place, provided the Inhabitants subscribe and pay the additional sum of £20, - - - - -	20 0 0
For the Streets in Georgetown, and the Main Road through the Royalty, - - - - -	20 0 0
Road south side Montague River, from the old Bridge towards Maclean's, - - - - -	20 0 0
Total	7 0 0

Road from White Sands to Little Sands, Mink River Road, - - - - -	20 0 0
St. Mary's Bay Wharf, - - - - -	20 0 0
Sturgeon Bridge, - - - - -	20 0 0
Road to Beers' Mill, South side, Road from South River, Murray Harbour, to County Line, - - - - -	18 0 0
Whim Road, East end, provided the Proprietors contribute an equal sum, - - - - -	10 0 0
Douse's Road, Lot 59, - - - - -	20 0 0
Road from Mill Road and to St. Andrew's Point, Road from Sturgeon to Lewellin's Cross Roads, - - - - -	6 0 0
Lewellin's Mill Dam, - - - - -	5 0 0
New Road from Macfarlane's to Aitken's Mill Road, - - - - -	20 0 0
To be placed at the Commissioner's disposal, to be applied where most required, - - - - -	20 0 0
Shore Road, from G. Aitken's, Lot 59, to St. Andrew's Point, - - - - -	30 0 0
For the Wharf at South River, Murray Harbour, provided the Inhabitants will engage to complete it without any further aid from the Legislature, - - - - -	8 0 0
Total	£1,100 0 0

Sums unexpended of last year's appropriations to be applied to the purposes for which they were granted.

Saturday, February 25.

STATE OF THE COLONY.

(Debate on Mr. Rae's motion for calling Evidence concluded.)

Mr. Macintosh said, it would be a comical illustration of unanimity! he thought it would be like the lamb's lying down with the lion! We should indeed do something to relieve the distress that every where prevails, but it was a queer way to go about it in the 19th century to introduce the feudal system into the Colony. We are now, it seems, to dispense with Queen, Lords and Commons, and petition our liege Lords the proprietors!!! (Laughter.) He hoped hon. gentlemen would persevere in advocating the rights of the people—they had lost nothing yet.

Mr. D. MacLEAN was very glad to hear members express their minds freely of the public servants of Government; and it was nothing but right, whatever their station might be, if they acted amiss, to exhibit their conduct to the world. He did not wish to be very hard on the Governor, as he considered him in the light of an apprentice; but since the matter of the Governor's veracity had been mooted, he would beg to point out, that in the month of June last, His Excellency, in one of his addresses to the inhabitants of King's County, stated that the country was then discontented; but in the month previous he wrote to the Colonial Office that discontent had now subsided: Now he must be perfectly well aware that one or other of those statements was wrong. He (Mr. MacLean) saw no reasonable objection to go into an examination of these resolutions or for admitting evidence to prove them. The hon. Speaker assures us nothing can be done to remedy the existing evils by Parliament, but he could bring to the recollection of the Speaker that Mr. Hume's letter on the table intimates, that we may hope for the concurrence of the Colonial Secretary to a settlement of the land question, provided a majority of the House of Assembly would enact a law to that effect. If such a majority cannot be found, the people must only curse their own folly at the late elections, and now they must grin and bear the consequence of that folly as they best may. For his part, he had always advocated free land with compensation, not such compensation as avarice might wish to extort, but such as equity and expediency might demand; and in whatever light the land question may be viewed, to that adjustment we must come at last, as he (Mr. MacLean) was perfectly satisfied, that nothing short of it would be effectual. It is all a matter of moonshine for hon. members to say that the Legislature cannot interfere in the case, when we know that the Governor General and the Parliament of Canada are interfering even now in a case precisely parallel. Even the Slave Emancipation Bill is quite analogous. Sir Robert Peel declared, that he would not vote for that measure, unless Parliament shewed him where it could lay its hands on £140,000,000 sterling to compensate the Planters; yet that Parliament deprived them of their property for a compensation of three shillings in the pound, and why may it not do so with the land Speculators of this Colony.

Mr. Palmer—the hon. gentleman has thought proper to give us his sentiments at last, but he (Mr. Palmer) did not think many of those present would agree with him (Mr. Maclean) in them. The hon. member would it seems, wish us to adopt some of those sweeping Canadian laws to change the rents and tenures into freeholds, but until he lays something before us, to induce us to alter our opinions, he thought the project would likely go about as far as others of the kind. He seemed equally well informed how Slavery was abolished, at an expense to the Kingdom of £20,000,000 Sterling; what has that to do with the question? Another hon. member (Mr. Macintosh,) said they had lost nothing; indeed! Why, as well as many other things he could name, had they not lost the majority of 13 in the House, and they have lost a great deal of back rent. He thought the hon. member for King's County had given up the Escheat question altogether; but he refers us to Lord John Russell's despatch detailing a conventional settlement; however, since then several proprietors within a few years have appointed agents, and 220,000 acres have been taken up or sold, not as the reporters have put in my mouth to say, 20,000 acres. Allusion has been made to the Governor's statement respecting the enhanced value of property. He (Mr. Palmer) confessed that of late years property in the vicinity of Charlottetown was very much enhanced in value, and what other idea could a gentleman lately arrived in the Colony and who had not yet extended his acquaintance much into the country form, than that land in the Colony was enhanced in a like ratio. He (Mr. Palmer) had bought a town lot some years ago for £20, which had been purchased for £10 some time before; he thought he paid dear for it at the time, but the next year he sold it for £40; this is an instance of the rapid advance of property. Now strangers coming to the country seeing the value of property increase so, naturally conclude that the thing is general, and may think that accounts of distress are exaggerated at the least. He himself knew land that had doubled in value in some places, so that the report of the Governor was not so unfounded as some would have us believe. He coincided with the hon. Speaker, that we should try an experiment. It is admitted that it is impossible to pay the rental of P. E. Island for one year in specie. He would not wish to lower the dignity of the House by petitioning the proprietors; but he would state by resolution that the tenancy are at present unable to pay the rent demanded; and then if we draw out a strong remonstrance to Her Majesty's Government, carrying with it a recommendation from the Lieut. Governor who has the good of the agriculturists at heart, he was certain when the proprietors saw this recommendation it would have a great effect with them; they would not like to encounter it. It would have more weight than all the acts we could pass during the session, to settle the tenure of land, which even supposing such an Act would pass the House of Commons, would be spurned at in the House of Lords consisting as it does of the greatest land proprietors in Britain. If it falls to the ground, we are no worse than we were before, and he therefore hoped it would go with the unanimous vote of the House and therefore he hoped they would not lose so favourable an opportunity. He wished to know what there was to prevent a man from selling his improvements, if he wished to leave the Island; is it not of daily occurrence? and here we have a resolution to get remuneration from the proprietors, and how can we without a legislative enactment compel him to give compensation? (here the hon. member read the resolution) He could see no reason to summon witnesses for the purpose of eliciting what almost every one of us admits, without such an examination. He thought, if the Resolutions which he had the honour of laying on the table were sent home without a division, and recommended by the Government, we would achieve more in one session than the former House did in many. He would not go so far as to say, that any one was ruined by