
JOURNAL AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,
OF
The Province of NOVA-SCOTIA.

THURSDAY, 9th NOVEMBER, 1809.

A MESSAGE from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Secretary George:

Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency commands this House to attend His Excellency, immediately in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend his Excellency, And being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended his Excellency in the Council Chamber, where his Excellency was pleased to make a Speech, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, which he read to the House, and is as follows, viz:

Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council,

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:—

WHILE Europe, afflicted with calamities, is struggling under the disastrous events of a sanguinary war, planned to overthrow those ancient Governments, under which the Nations on that Continent were rapidly advancing in civilization and happiness—our hearts ought to be filled with gratitude to the Almighty, under whose divine favor, the powerful Empire to which we belong, now alone maintains her envied prosperity, and independence; and while she defends the remotest part of her extensive Dominions, is able to extend her succouring arm in aid of those Nations, which yet have energy to contend for their freedom and independence.

In times of such general calamity, it is fit we should be vigilant in performing the duties we owe to God and the King; and ready on every occasion to defend, to the utmost of our power, the political establishments, under which we, and our ancestors, have lived happy and free.