

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 1810.

PRAYERS —The Speaker having come to the House and not finding a sufficient number to make a House, the same was adjourned till Half past Twelve o'Clock.

The House met at Half past Twelve o'Clock according to Adjournment.

The Speaker informed the House that he had received official communications from his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, *Ordered*, That the same be read and laid upon the Table.

The House having waited on his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Address in answer to his Speech at the opening of this Session, and having returned, the Speaker reported that his Excellency had been pleased to return the following answer, viz.

"Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives,

I BEG you will accept my cordial thanks for the Loyal and obliging expressions contained in the Address with which you are pleased to honor me.

"Contemplating you Gentlemen, in the dignified light as the guardians and principal trustees of the Interests, just rights, and inestimable Constitutional Blessings of your Constituents, I deem it reasonable to expect, that, in the important task you have sacredly pledged yourselves to perform, you will with harmonious earnestness cheerfully exert your utmost efforts to preserve, foster, and enhance, the pleasing enjoyment to them, of those interests, just rights, and inestimable Constitutional Blessings; and I must hope, that neither seasons nor any other inferior Considerations, will ever be observed to restrain your laudable ardour and magnanimity in so essential an object of your pursuit and incumbent duty.

"The best mode which occurs to me of evincing my gratitude for the distinguished confidence of my beloved Sovereign, is to endeavour by vigilance and the unremitting exertion of my slender abilities, and by the aid of such enabling means, and judicious Rules as may be judged expedient to devise, to fulfil his Most Gracious intentions in promoting the prosperity of his infant Colony, and the interests, welfare, comfort, security and permanent happiness of his good subjects, inhabitants thereof or concerned therein.

"On such conduct alone, and in the upright and candid prosecution of benedict measures, I take all my hopes of enjoying, Gentlemen your approbation, your esteem, and your support.

(Signed)

"J. F. W. DES BARRES."

Ordered, On Motion, That the Collector of the Assessment on Town Lots be called on to lay before this House an account of the amount of the several sums received by virtue of the said Assessment, distinguishing each years amount seperately, together with an account of the several sums drawn for by the Overseers of Streets, specifying the names of the persons who have received Sums, and for what purposes.

Mr. ROUBEL obtained leave to bring in a Bill Intituled An Act, to amend An Act, Intituled "An Act to impower the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief, for the time being to appoint a Sheriff or Sheriff's for this Island also to regulate the Office of Sheriff's and the manner in which they shall return and pass their accounts of all fines and forfeitures levied by them, for the use of the Crown.

On Motion, That an humble Address be presented to his Excellency that he would cause to be laid before this House such Information as he may be in possession of, either by correspondence or otherwise, that relate to the nominees for the Office of Sheriff for the present year. The House divided

For the Motion, Messrs. MAULAY, RANKIN, ROUBEL, MURRAY, and MONTGOMERY.

Against it, Messrs. SOLICITOR-GENERAL, BRECKEN, HOLLAND, STEWART, E. COFFIN, and B. COFFIN.

And so it passed in the Negative.

A Journal till Ten o'Clock, on Monday Morning.