

FRIDAY, March 23, 1827.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.—**PRAYERS.**

On motion, the bill for regulating Apprentices, received the third reading.

Ordered, that the said bill do pass, and be engrossed.

On motion for the order of the day, the House went into the consideration of the Resolution of his Majesty's Council, sent to this House on the 27th day of October 1825.

On motion of the *Attorney General*, the following Resolution was agreed to by the House, viz.

RESOLVED, That all supplies to be raised or charged on the subjects in this Island, in the Legislature, and granted to His Majesty, are the sole gift and grant of the House of Assembly; and all Bills for granting such aids and supplies ought to begin with the Assembly; and that it is the sole right of the Assembly, to direct, limit, and appoint in such Bills, the ends, purposes, and limitations of such Grants; and that the Council ought not to alter or change the same; and in like manner, that as it is the sole right of the Assembly to originate Bills of aid and supply to His Majesty, and to direct, limit, and appoint in such Bills, the ends, purposes, and limitations of such Grants, so it is the right of the Assembly to direct, limit, and appoint, in separate Bills, the uses, ends, purposes, and limitations of such grants of aids and supplies to His Majesty, which ought not to be changed or altered by the Council.

On motion of Mr. *Cameron*, it was ordered, that a copy of the foregoing Resolution be sent up to his Majesty's Council.

By order, the *Attorney General*, attended by Mr. *Cameron*, Mr. *Mabey*, and Mr. *McNeill*, carried to his Majesty's Council a copy of the said Resolution.

On motion, the bill to ascertain the population of the Island, the number of its stock, and the extent of its cleared land, received the second reading.

Mr. *Mabey*, one of the committee appointed to examine into such Laws as are about to expire, reported as follows, viz.

That an act to revive, alter, and continue an act made and passed in the 52d year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act for raising a fund to make and keep in repair the pumps, wells and streets of Charlotte-Town, and for other purposes therein mentioned," will expire the end of this Session.

Also "An act to regulate the sale of the interest of Leaseholders when taken in execution" (if it has received the Royal allowance which is said to be doubtful).

And "An act to continue an act made and

passed in the 5th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying an additional duty on all Wines, Gin, Brandy, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors imported into this Island; and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act made and passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's Reign, intituled an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act, the several Laws made by the General Assembly of this Island, relative to the duties of Impost on Wines, Rum, Brandy and other distilled spirituous Liquors, and for allowing a Drawback upon all Wines, Rum, Brandy, and other distilled spirituous Liquors exported from this Island," will expire the 24th of this month.

And an act to alter and continue an act made and passed in the 5th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled "An act for encreasing the Revenue, by levying a duty on Tobacco and Tea," will also expire on the 24th of this month.

The House waited on his Excellency, according to appointment, with their Address in answer to his Excellency's Speech, and having returned, the Speaker informed the House that his Excellency was pleased to make the following reply, viz.

"GENTLEMEN,

"I return you my best thanks for this Address. The satisfaction you express in the measures which I have pursued, and your assurances of proceeding to the consideration of those objects which I have recommended to you, give me much pleasure, and you may depend upon my invariable attention to the happiness and prosperity of the Colony."

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the bill to ascertain the population of the Island, the number of its stock, and the extent of its cleared land.

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

The *Attorney General* took the chair of the Committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

The *Attorney General*, Chairman of the Committee, reported, that they had made a progress in the Bill, and that he was directed by the committee to move that they may have leave to sit again. Ordered accordingly.

Adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow.