

The Attorney General further reported that at another meeting, which took place on the 25th day of July last, (the Attorney General in the chair,) it was ordered that a copy of the Journals of this House for last session, should be forthwith transmitted to Mr. Atcheson, and also a copy of the laws passed in the last session of the General Assembly.

It was further ordered by the committee, that the attention of Mr. Atcheson should be drawn to the address by the House of Assembly to his Excellency the Lieut. Governor, dated the 1st day of March, 1825, touching the adding the ports of Charlotte-Town, Three Rivers, and Richmond Bay, in this Island, to the list of Free Ports, which might still be a matter of deeper importance to the trade of the Island, since the extension of the Colonial trade, contemplated in Mr. Huskisson's bill, and that Mr. Atcheson should be desired to use his utmost exertions, to attain the objects therein contemplated, which are connected vitally with the commercial interests of the Island.

It was in like manner ordered by the committee, that Mr. Atcheson should be

requested to use his best endeavours to procure the concurrence of his Majesty's government to the measure recommended in the petition of the House of Assembly to his Majesty on the 17th day of March last, asking permission to pass a law assessing the land in this Island in a sum equal to the Quit Rents, to enable this Colony to build a government-house, and other public buildings, and for other colonial improvements within the Island, and that the Quit Rents payable in this Island might be remitted until the payment of such Quit Rents was enforced in the neighbouring Colonies.

It was further resolved that the chairman should communicate to Mr. Atcheson a copy of these minutes.

The Attorney General then stated to the House, that on the 25th day of July last, he had transmitted to Mr. Atcheson a copy of these resolutions of the committee with a copy of the Journals of this House for the last session, and a copy of the acts then passed, and read a copy of the letter to Mr. Atcheson which accompanied these documents.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, October 14, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On motion, the bill intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the first year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act to regulate the measurement of ton timber, boards, and all other kinds of lumber, and to repeal two certain acts made and passed in the 14th and 57th year of his late Majesty's reign, and also for declaring what shall be deemed merchantable, and for appointing officers to survey the same," received the third reading.

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

On motion, the bill intituled an act to repeal an act, intituled "an act to alter and amend an act made and passed in the 26th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for the trial of actions in a summary way," received the third reading.

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

On motion, the bill intituled an act to render perpetual an act made and passed

in the 57th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act to enable creditors more easily to recover their debts from co-partners and joint debtors," received the third reading.

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

Mr. *Cameron* moved for leave to bring in a bill to repeal an act declaring that baptism of Slaves shall not exempt them from bondage, which was granted, and the same on motion received the first reading.

On motion, the said bill received the second reading.

Mr. *Hodgson* moved for leave to bring in a bill to repeal a certain clause of an act made and passed in the 31st year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act for admitting persons to swear to their own accounts in certain cases, and for amending certain practical parts of the law, in order to the more easy and speedy attainment of public justice in this Island,"