

was pleased to say, in reply, that *James Bardin Palmer, Esquire*, resigned his seat in His Majesty's Council, on the day on which the late General Assembly was ordered to be dissolved, and that his place then became *ipso facto* vacant.

On Motion of Mr. *Macgowan*, leave was given to bring in the Petition of *James Curtis, Esq.* complaining of an undue Election of Queen's County, the same having been read.

Ordered, That this House do on Friday next resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House as a Committee of Privileges and Elections to take into consideration the merits of the said Petition, and that the Secretary or his deputy do then attend with the Writ of Election and Return, and further Ordered, That the Members of this House do before they proceed take an Oath that they will well and truly try the merits of said Petition.

Ordered on the Motion of Mr. *Holland*, That a Committee be appointed to correspond with the Colony Agent, and that His Majesty's Council be requested to name a Committee to act conjunctly with them: Messrs. *Macgowan, Stewart, Jun. Holland, Palmer, and M^r Donell*, were appointed a Committee for that purpose.

On Motion of Mr. *Macgowan*, Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to examine into such Laws as are near expiring, and report thereon to this House, and that Messrs. *Macgowan, Holland, and C. Stewart, Jun.* compose the same.

On Motion, Resolved, That all Petitions to this House complaining of undue Election Returns, be presented, on or before the second day of the Session, and that this Rule be made a standing Order of the House.

As likewise, That when a division at any time takes place, at the request of a single member, the names of the members dividing shall be inserted in the Journal.

Ordered on Motion of Mr. *Holland*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up the Heads of a New Bill, for the effectually revesting His Majesty with such Lands in this Island as are liable to be escheated and forfeited, and that Messrs. *Holland, Macgowan, C. Stewart, Jun. Palmer, and M^r Donell*, form the same.

Adjourned to Ten o'clock To-morrow.

Wednesday, December 3, 1806.

On Motion of Mr. *Stewart, Jun.* Ordered, That the consideration of the Committee of Correspondence with the Colony Agent be postponed till to-morrow.