

The Clerk reported to the House, that his Excellency having been waited on pursuant to the Order of this Day, to know, when he would be pleased to receive their Address; had been pleased to appoint this Day at One of the Clock at the Government House.

On Motion of Mr. *McMonagle*, resolved, that a Committee be appointed to take under their Consideration the Map and Schedule directed to be laid before the House by *Hector Maclean* Esq; and his Associates; and that the said Committee advertize in two of the public News Papers for three Months, calling on all Persons claiming Title to any of the Lands comprised within the Bounds expressed in the Grant to Lieutenant Colonel *John Small*, in Trust for the Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, and Privates of the late 84th Regiment, to appear before the said Committee at a certain Day and Place, to shew Cause if any they have, why such Persons as are at present in the actual Possession of Part of the Lands in the Township of *Dougllass*, should not respectively be quieted in their Possession by an Act of the *General Assembly*; and that the said Committee do report to the House, at their next Session.

Ordered, That Mr. *Morris*, Mr. *Sterns*, and Mr. *Wallace*, be a Committee for the above Purpose.

Mr. *Belcher*, reported from the Committee appointed to wait on his Excellency with the Address of the House of this Day, that the Committee had waited on his Excellency accordingly, and that his Excellency was pleased to say, that he would take the said Address together with the several Papers annexed into his Consideration, and as far as the Acts of Parliament and Laws of this Province would enable him, endeavour to prevent the Evils complained of in the Address.

A Message from his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by Mr. Secretary *Wentworth*.

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 in the Council Chamber, where his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the several Bills following, viz.

An Act, for appointing Commissioners to determine upon a proper Situation in the Town of *Halifax*, and to purchase Lots of Ground, if necessary, to erect a public Building for the Accommodation of the *General Assembly*, *Court of Chancery*, *Supreme Court*, and *Court of Admiralty* and public Offices, and for procuring Plans and Estimates for a Building hereafter to be erected for the Residence of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being.

An Act in Amendment of an Act, passed in the Twenty ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled an Act, for altering the Times appointed for holding the *Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace*, in the County of *Sydney*.

An Act in Amendment of an Act, passed in the Twenty ninth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled an Act, for the better Regularity of Elections.

An Act to enable the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being, to appoint Trustees for the Common of the Town of *Dartmouth*, on the Death or Removal of the Trustees holding the same, and to vacate that Part of the Grant for the Common aforesaid, which Vests the Trust in the Heirs, Executors or Administrators of the Trustees named in the said Grant, on the Death of such Trustees.

An Act to explain and amend an Act, passed in the seventh Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled an Act, for Partition of Lands in Coparcenary, joint Tenancy and Tenancy in Common, and thereby for the more effectual collecting his Majesty's Quit Rents in the Colony of *Nova Scotia*.

An Act in Amendment of an Act, passed in the Thirty fifth Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled an Act, to amend and reduce into one Act, the several Laws now in being, relating to a Militia in this Province.

An Act to amend and continue for One Year, an Act passed in the Thirty third Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled an Act, for granting to his Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Rum, and all other distilled Spirituous Liquors and Brown Sugar, for the purpose of paying the Interest and reducing the Principal of the Public Debt of this Province.