

A Bill, entitled, " An Act to continue and amend an Act, entitled, An Act for regulating the Militia."

After which His Honor was pleased to make the following Speech to the Council and Assembly.

*Gentlemen of the Council, and  
Gentlemen of the Assembly.*

In closing the present Session I have only to express my hope that the several Bills now enacted, may be found in their operation, to answer the purposes of public benefit, for which on your part they must have been intended. To this it shall be my ambition to contribute as far as may be in my power, nor can I entertain a doubt of your zeal and diligent attention in your recess to encourage and animate the people to that only observance of the Laws which is at all times essential to the public prosperity, and to those cheerful exertions to which at this time they are called in order to be duly prepared for any emergency that may threaten their future peace and preservation.

And afterwards the Honorable Chief Justice *Bliss*, by His Honor the President's command, said:

*Gentlemen of the Council, and  
Gentlemen of the Assembly.*

It is His Honor the President's will and pleasure that this General Assembly be prorogued to the second Tuesday in June next, and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued to the second Tuesday in June next to be then here holden.