



JOURNAL
AND
PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

Of the Province of *Nova-Scotia*.

Tuesday, 6th June, 1797.

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 and being returned.

Mr. Speaker reported, that the House had attended his Excellency in the Council Chamber, where his Excellency was pleased to make a Speech, of which Mr. Speaker said, he had, to prevent mistakes obtained a Copy ; which he read to the House and is as followeth, viz.

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Council,

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly,

IT affords me Pleasure to meet you in *General Assembly*, not only because it brings into active Operation the several Powers of our mixed and well tempered Government, but as it furnishes the constitutional Means of investigating the Wants and Resources of the Country and amplifying and securing the Happiness of His Majesty's Subjects in this Province.

While we deplore the destructive Effects, in various other Countries, of the severe but necessary War in which His Majesty is yet engaged, with a cruel and revengeful Enemy, we cannot be too thankful for the Protection we receive and the Exemptions we enjoy from its Ravages, throughout this Province.

To preserve these Blessings it is requisite we should be at all times prepared to resist with a determined and united Energy every Attempt which may be concerted to molest us ; and I trust that the military and naval Forces which the provident Care of our beloved Sovereign affords us, aided by the Spirit and Resolution of the People will prove sufficient to repel any Attack which the Enemy may have in Contemplation, and be able to make in this Quarter of His Majesty's Dominions.

You will see by the public Accounts that will be laid before you, the State of the Revenue,