

Resolution &amp;c.

or receivable or are enjoyed by each and every officer, or by any person or persons in and about the Courts of Justice and other departments in this Colony. And that the said committee be instructed to ascertain and report under and by what Law or authority the said fees, poundage, perquisites and emoluments respectively were created or established, and if any and what alterations have from time to time been made in the said fees, poundage, perquisites and other emolument, and by what authority and when were the same made,—and that the said committee have power to send for persons and papers.

Committee

*Ordered*, that Mr. CARTER, Mr. SWEETMAN, Mr. HOOPER, and Mr. CARSON do form such committee.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 1836.

Message from Governor  
transmitting petitions  
from Harbor Grace rela-  
tive to small pox.

**A** Message from his Excellency the Governor.

Mr. Acting Secretary Templeman acquainted the House that he had a message from his Excellency the Governor, signed by his Excellency; and he presented the same to the House. And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members being uncovered) and is as follows:

**MESSAGE.**

“H. PRESCOTT”

The Governor considering the urgency of the subject of the accompanying Petition, from the Inhabitants of Harbor Grace, loses not a moment in transmitting it for the consideration of the House of Assembly, together with the copy of a letter from the Commissioners for the relief of the poor, as a demonstration that no funds remain at his Excellency's disposal to meet the wishes of the Petitioners.

*Government House, }  
15th January, 1836. }*

The petition from the inhabitants of Harbor Grace to his Excellency the Governor, accompanying the said Message, was then read by the Clerk, setting forth, that the petitioners with the utmost respect begged to approach and inform his Excellency that the confluent Small Pox had made its appearance in that division of the District, and they lamented the poverty and general depressed circumstances of a large proportion of its inhabitants particularly expose them to its influences, and prevent them the power of contributing to the relief of their more necessitous brethren.

The petitioners also represent the calamitous consequences that will inevitably result from the disease spreading through the district, where a very considerable number of its inhabitants are without the means of providing food, clothing and the necessary medical aid to meet the contagion, which the petitioners are convinced will make the most fearful ravages, and by its effects, in a great measure, prevent the prosecution of the ensuing seal fishery, on which many thousands depend for their support.

The petitioners feel that as no incentive can be urged on his Excellency's humanity and wisdom to induce him to interpose his high authority and exert his influence that a proportion of the money voted for the general relief of the poor by the Legislature of the Island during the last Session, or from any contingent fund under the controul of his Ex-