

ber... The House having attended, the Speaker presented the following Bills, to which His Excellency was pleased to give his assent :

*An Act to alter and amend an Act, made and passed in the 42d year of His Present Majesty's Reign, entitled an Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act made and passed in the 35th year of His present Majesty's Reign entitled, an Act to alter and amend the High Road Laws.*

A Bill entitled " An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the forty  
" first year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled an Act for the  
" better regulation of Elections, and to regulate Elections for Mem-  
" bers to serve in General Assembly in future."

A Bill entitled " An Act for raising a Fund for the purpose of defraying  
" contingent expences of the General Assembly of this Island."

His Excellency was then pleased to deliver the following Speech to both Houses :

*" Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council,*

*" Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,*

**" I** T is with infinite pleasure that I observe the views of the Legislature expand in proportion to the advancement of this Colony.

" The efforts of both Houses regulated by the great principles of Equity, and expressed with that unanimity which conspicuously shines in your endeavours to place the Island upon a respectable Establishment, afford me peculiar satisfaction. And I have no doubt but His Majesty's Ministers will be pleased to observe that, while you make an application for the Royal Bounty, you at the same time evince your intention to apply such Bounty to Objects useful, permanent, and meritorious---Objects which if accomplished, cannot fail to render this Island a valuable acquisition to, the other Dominions of His most Sacred Majesty.

" Several matters of internal Legislation and arrangement yet claim your attention ; and, as I am aware that you cannot discuss with sufficient consideration all the necessary Business of the Public, unless at the Expence of your Families and private concerns, the interests of which will not admit your absence for any length of time, I deem it advisable for your welfare, and the Public Service, that you should be released from any farther attendance, and experience a recess, which will afford you time for deliberation, and give you the opportunity of returning to your respective Habitations, while the Roads are yet passable.

" As the business of the Supreme Court of Judicature will call many of you to Town at its sitting, I hope it will not be a very great inconvenience, if you afford a few days at that time in your legislative Capacity."