

The following Commission, by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's direction, was also read:

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

L. S. By His Excellency Sir **CHARLES AUGUSTUS FITZ ROY, K. H.**, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and its Dependencies, Chancellor, Vice Admiral and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

C. A. FITZ ROY, Lieut. Governor.

To George Dalrymple, Samuel Green, Peter Stewart Macnutt, and John Macgowan, Esquires, Greeting:

WHEREAS by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, bearing date at Westminster, on the Thirteenth day of December last, Her Majesty was pleased to constitute and appoint Lieutenant General Sir JOHN COLBORNE, Knight Grand Cross of the most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, to be Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Island of Prince Edward, in the room of the Right Honorable John George EARL of DURHAM; and having deemed it expedient that there should be two distinct and separate Councils in the said Island, Her Majesty did in and by the same Letters Patent, grant, provide and declare that there should thenceforward be within the said Island Prince Edward, to distinct and separate Councils, to be respectively called the **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL** and the **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL** of the said Island, and did direct and declare Her Royal Pleasure to be, that all and every the powers and authorities theretofore vested in or exercised by the Council of the said Island, so far as respects the enactment of any Laws to be made within the said Island, shall thenceforth be and the same were thereby vested in the said Legislative Council, and that all other powers and authorities whatsoever vested in or exercised by the Council of the said Island, should be and the same were thereby vested in the said Executive Council; and Her Majesty did thereby appoint and declare that the said Executive Council and the said Legislative Council respectively, should thereafter consist of such and so many members as should from time to time, for that purpose be nominated and appointed under Her Royal Sign Manual and Signet, or as should be provisionally appointed by the said Sir John Colborne, until Her Majesty's pleasure therein shall be known: Provided nevertheless, that the total number of the Members for the time being, of the Executive Council, resident within the said Island, should not at any time, by any provisional appointment, be raised to a greater number than Nine; and that the total number of the Members of the said Legislative Council, resident within the said Island, should not at any time, by any provisional appointment, be raised to a greater number than Twelve; and Her Majesty did thereby direct that Five Members of the said Executive Council should be a Quorum, for the despatch of the business thereof; and that Seven Members of the Legislative Council should be a Quorum, for the despatch of the business thereof; and Her Majesty did thereby further direct and appoint that the Members of the said respective Councils should hold their places therein during Her Majesty's pleasure, and not otherwise; and that the senior members respectively for the time being, of each of the said respective Councils, preside at all the deliberations thereof respectively, saving when he the said Sir John Colborne should be present