

“ An act for granting to his Majesty the sum of five hundred pounds, Sterling, to be appropriated and applied towards defraying any expenses which may arise in the event of the introduction and spreading of Asiatic cholera in this Colony.”

“ An act to suspend until the year of one thousand eight hundred and thirty five the operation of an act, passed in the last session of Parliament entitled ‘an act for registering the names of persons entitled to vote at elections.’”

“ An act to authorize the issue of Treasury Notes.”

And then his Excellency was pleased to make the following Speech to both Houses :

*Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen,*

I avail myself of the earliest opportunity that the public duties which rendered it indispensable to call you together will admit of, to permit you to return to your respective homes, from whence you cannot have been so long absent without incurring considerable personal inconvenience.

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly,*

The arrangements you have made to meet the exigencies of the public service will, I hope, prove equal to your expectations ; at the same time I shall use my best endeavours to avoid the necessity of recurring to the expedient which you have provided : and I trust (unless some unforeseen emergency shall arise) that by a strict and rigorous economy, I shall be able to do so, until you shall again be assembled in this place.

*Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen,*

It has been my painful duty to announce to you that the disease known by the name of Asiatic cholera has recently visited the neighbouring province of Nova Scotia ; and although every means will be resorted to, which, under Divine favor, may be deemed proper to exclude it from these shores, yet experience has proved that in many other countries no human means have at all times proved successful in that respect.

It is, therefore, my earnest recommendation to you, that you do each, within the influence of your advice or controul, use your best endeavours to prepare for a calamity which we may not be able to avert,—that you will enjoin cleanliness where I am afraid *that* requisite to health and comfort is too much neglected ; and that you will by all means impress upon the lower orders in your vicinity, how essential temperance and sobriety are as a prevention to the approach of this fatal disease, or as a means of overcoming it when unhappily under its influence ;—and that in every Country which has unfortunately fallen under its scourge, inebriety and dissolute conduct, and the neglect of cleanly habits, have afforded by far the greater portion of victims to its desolating progress.

After which the Speaker of the Honorable the Legislative Council, by his Excellency’s command, said,

*Gentlemen,*

It is his Excellency’s will and pleasure that this General Assembly be prorogued until Tuesday, the 28th day of October next ;—and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued until Tuesday, the 28th day of October next, then to meet again in this place.