

Mr. *Peters* and Mr. *Robert Pagan* returned and reported that they had attended accordingly and that the said member had taken the usual oaths.

Thereupon Ordered, That he take his seat.

Message to His
Excellency.

Ordered, That Mr. *William Pagan* and Captain *Agnew* wait upon HIS EXCELLENCY the Lieutenant Governor and acquaint him that the House has met, and is ready to receive his commands.

Message from
His Excellency.

A message from HIS EXCELLENCY the Lieutenant Governor requiring the attendance of this House in the Council chamber.

House attend.

The House attended accordingly—and, being returned, the *Speaker* reported, that HIS EXCELLENCY had been pleased to make the following speech to both Houses—to wit—

His Excellency's
speech to both
Houses.

“ *Gentlemen of the Council*,

“ *And Gentlemen of the Assembly*,

“ THE business which I have at this time to recommend
“ to your consideration after what concerns the Pro-
“ vincial Revenue, is chiefly the revival of such temporary
“ laws as may be near expiring, in order to the continuance
“ of those which may still be found requisite and with such
“ amendments in their respective provisions as experience may
“ have suggested.

“ *Gentlemen of the Assembly*,

“ I forbear at present to renew my recommendation of
“ measures formerly proposed and not yet provided for; be-
“ cause the provisions hitherto made, for raising a Provincial
“ Revenue, have been less productive than had been expected
“ and your ability consequently the less adequate to the pub-
“ lic exigencies, without such anticipations of future means
“ as would be altogether unadvisable. I, therefore recom-
“ mend to your consideration, the making of some preparati-
“ on for the foundations of such an Income as may in time
“ enable us to make effectual provision for objects so impor-
“ tant to the welfare and reputation of the Province.

“ The Treasurer's accounts, and such other papers as may
“ be necessary for your information, shall be laid before
“ you.

“ *Gentlemen*