Ordered, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Ritchie, and Mr. Haliburton, be a committee to examine into, and report on, the expiring Laws.

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

Friday, 12th February, 1813.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Pyke presented to the House, an account from Mr. Treasurer Wallace, of all monies received by him into, and payments by him made from, the Provincial Treasury, between the 1st January and the 31st December, 1812.

Ordered, That the faid account do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. Robie reported from the committee appointed to prepare an address in answer to His Excellency's Speech; that they had drawn up an address accordingly; and he read the address in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:—

TO HIS EXCELLENCY LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR JOHN COAPE SHER BROOKE,

Knight of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c.

The humble Address of the House of Representatives in General Assembly.

May it please your Excellency,

TE, His Majesty's dutiful Subjects, the Representatives of the Loyal People of Nova-Scotia, beg leave to Thank your Excellency, for your Speech, at the opening of the present Sessions of the General Assembly.

We rejoice with your Excellency, at the brilliant successes which have been obtained by His Majesty's Ally, the Emperor of all the Russias, over the armies commanded by Bonaparte in person; whose pride has been humbled, and whose destructive career, we most ardently hope, has been stayed, by a Monarch and People, whose Country he had most cruelly invaded.

The loyalty and courage so conspicuously displayed by our fellow subjects in the Canadas, have proved that they deserve the blessings they enjoy under the Government of Our Most Gracious King; and we most cordially join in the admiration so justly called forth by their patriotism and bravery.

The Assurance expressed by your Excellency, of the Loyal Sentiments of His Majesty's Subjects in this Province, must be highly gratifying to them; and should this Colony be attacked, it will be the Pride of its Inhabitants, under the

Guidance