regulate the conduct of the Council, taken into their deliberate consideration, the suggestion made by the Council through their committee of free conference, are decidedly of opinion that the practice which has prevailed in this Province of limiting the time and manner in which the Militia are to be trained, is consonant not only to the usage of the Sister Colonies, but of the mother country, as will be found by a reference to the Acts of Parliament, and of the several Legislatures; and that the House cannot listen to a proposal, to depart from such practice; and that the committee be further instructed to deliver the said Bill with the proposed amendments of the Council, to the committee of free conference on the part of the Council, and acquaint them that the House cannot concur with the amendments, but still entertain a hope that the Council will not permit the Country to be deprived of the benefits of the provisions of the said Bill.

The committee of free conference went to the conference and being returned, the *Attorney General* reported, that they had given the committee of free conference of the Council the reasons for disagreeing to the last proposed amendments, and left the Bill and the amendments with the committee of the Council.

The House then adjourned until Monday morning next at 11 o'clock.

MONDAY, the 7th day of MARCH, 1814.

Message from the Council.

Mr. *Robinson* delivered the Message.

"Mr. *Speaker*,

"The Council have agreed to the Militia Bill;" and then Mr. *Robinson* withdrew.

Ordered, that Mr. *Attorney General* and Mr. *Solicitor General* be a committee to prepare during the recess an Assessment Law.

A Message from His Honor the President, by *Xenophon Jouett*, Esquire, Usher of the Black Rod.

"Mr. *Speaker*,

"His Honor the President commands this Honorable House to attend "His Honor immediately in the Council Chamber."

Accordingly Mr. *Speaker* with the House went up to attend His Honor the President in the Council Chamber, where the *Speaker* addressed His Honor the President to the effect following, to wit:

May it please your Honor,

The House of Assembly impressed with a due sense of the necessity of providing for the defence of the Province, have diligently attended to that important duty, and have made such amendments to the Militia Law, as they trust will conduce to that desired end. They have also granted large and liberal supplies, and have devised means to increase the Provincial Revenue. The Bills for these purposes they now tender to your Honor, praying your acceptance of and assent to them, with a confident hope that what their loyalty and patriotism have induced them to grant will by your Honor be wisely and œconomically expended; and then Mr. *Speaker* delivered the following Bills as engrossed upon parchment to the Clerk of the Council, viz.

A Bill, entituled, "An Act for laying additional duties on certain articles imported into this Province."

A Bill, entituled, "An Act to appropriate a part of the public Revenue for the services therein mentioned."