

partly only provided for by the Land Assessment Bill of last Session. I hope the House will feel it to be their indispensable as well as their laudable duty of creating a specific Provision for these very essential objects. I beg leave to enclose the sentiments of the principal Officers on the subject of the Drill, Discipline, and Equipment of the Militia; and I have the honour to be,

“ Sir,

“ Your most obedient and most humble Servant,
(Signed) “ J. F. W. DES BARRES.

“ Robert Hodgson, Esq. Speaker of the House of Assembly.”

Ordered, on motion, That the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to take the said Official Communication into consideration. The Speaker left the Chair, Mr. Solicitor-General took the Chair, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and Mr. Solicitor-General, Chairman of the Committee, reported, That it is the opinion of this Committee that provision be made for defraying the Expence of Drilling Thirteen Companies of Militia at £5 £65
Also for Defraying the Expence of Purchasing Forty Drums and Fifes 50
Also for the Purchase of One Hundred and Twenty Pikes 45
For Contingencies for the Service of the Militia 40

£200

And also that provision be made for Raising the Sum of £805 for Completing }
the Public Buildings } 805

TOTAL £1005

Ordered, on motion, That the Report be agreed to.

Mr. BRECKEN, from the Committee appointed to Examine Public Accounts, reported, That they have examined the Accounts of the Treasurer and Collector of Charlotte-Town District, and find the several Items therein Correct with some trivial Exceptions, which are marked with a Pencil: that it appears, That on the 20th of March, 1809, there was a Balance in the Treasury of £1027. 13s. 11d.: That from the last mentioned period to the 3d of August instant, it appears, That a Sum of £2643. 16s. 8d. has been received, and a Sum of £2002. 13s. has been paid by the Treasurer, and that a Balance of £1668. 17s. 7d. now remains in the Treasury, in Cash and Securities: that during the before-mentioned period, the Collector of Richmond Bay District had not rendered any Account, or paid a greater Sum than £209. 6s. 8d. notwithstanding the Committee have every reason to believe that he must have received a much greater Sum, independent of the former Balance due by that Officer; but your Committee submit to the House the propriety of addressing his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor upon the subject of the Sum of £60 paid to J. B. Palmer, Esq. Adjutant-General of Militia, on which subject the House of Assembly had addressed his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in the year 1808.

Ordered, on motion, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the subject of the Sum of £60, charged in the Public Accounts, as paid to J. B. Palmer, Esq. Adjutant-General of Militia—Mr. HOLLAND, Mr. BRECKEN, and Mr. SOLICITOR-GENERAL, were accordingly appointed a Committee for that purpose.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1810.

THE House met according to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

The House agreed to an Address to his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor relative to the Sums paid for carrying the Mail to and from Halifax, and the Payment of Postage, and Mr. ROUBEL, Mr. RANKIN, and Mr. SOLICITOR-GENERAL, were appointed a Committee to present the same,

The Bill to prevent the Harboursing Deserters from his Majesty's Navy or Army, and for giving a Reward for Apprehending Deserters, received the second reading.