

works connected with Light House Establishments into effect, so far as depends upon this Province, and those Commissioners will be instructed to correspond with any whom your Excellency may appoint on the part of the Province under your Excellency's Government.

"I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your Excellency's most
Obedt. humble Servt.

"HOWARD DOUGLAS."

(Signed),
His Excellency Colonel READY, or
Officer Administering the Government,
&c. &c. &c."

"The Lieut. Governor lays before the Assembly the presentation of the Grand Jury on the insecure state of the Gaol of Charlotte-Town, (the only Gaol in the Island) for their consideration; and he also recommends to the consideration of the Assembly,

the expediency of making provision for building a Gaol on a small scale or lock-up House at Prince Town, and at other parts of the Island, if such may be considered necessary.

"In connection with this subject, the Lieut. Governor also lays before the Assembly a petition from Messrs. L. & A. Cambridge, representing the great expence they are put to in maintaining *William Pope*, a pauper Lunatic, with a large family; and he submits to the Assembly, on their taking these matters into consideration, the expediency of making some provision for the maintenance and safe custody of unfortunate objects of this description."

Ordered, that this House do on Friday next, take the foregoing communications from his Excellency into consideration.

Adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, March 29, 1827.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On motion for the order of the day, the House took into consideration the petition of the Roman Catholics presented last Session.

Mr. Cameron moved the following Resolution, seconded by Dr. McAulay.

RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this House, that the right of voting at Elections of Members to serve in General Assembly, ought to be extended to His Majesty's subjects of the Roman Catholic religion within this Island; and that the Election Law should be altered conformable to this Resolution.

Mr. Campbell moved as an amendment, seconded by Mr. Hyde:

That a dutiful and humble Address, be prepared to His Majesty, praying that this House may be permitted to so alter the Law of this Island made and passed in the 47th year of the late King, intituled "An Act for the better regulation of Elections, and to regulate Elections for Members to serve in General Assembly, in future." That our fellow subjects of the Roman Catholic persuasion, may be enabled to vote for the Election of Members of Assembly on the same terms, and under the like qualifications as their Protestant fellow subjects now do, or under any future Law, may be required to do.

The question having been put the House divided,

For the amendment,

Mr. Campbell, Mr. Hyde,
Mr. Dockendorff, Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Bearistoe, Mr. Montgomery.

Against it,

Mr. Cameron, Dr. McAulay,
Mr. Hodgson, The Attorney General,
Mr. Cambridge, Mr. Mabey,
Mr. McNeill, Mr. Coffin.

So the amendment was lost.

The question having been put on the original Motion, the House divided.

For the motion,

Mr. Cameron, Dr. McAulay,
Mr. Hodgson, The Attorney General,
Mr. Cambridge, Mr. Mabey,
Mr. Coffin.

Against it,

Mr. Campbell, Mr. Hyde,
Mr. Dockendorff, Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Bearistoe, Mr. McNeill,
Mr. Montgomery.

The House being equally divided, the Speaker voted against the original motion.

So the resolution was lost.

A message from his Majesty's Council, by Mr. Carmichael, their Clerk.

Mr. Speaker,—His Majesty's Council have passed the bill intituled "an act for regulating Apprentices," with some small amendments.

The Attorney General moved for leave to bring in a bill to enable Tenants in Tail to execute Leases and grant terms of years of a long endurance, which was granted, and the same on motion, received the first reading.

Mr. Mabey moved for leave to bring in a bill to continue an act made and passed in the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to revive, alter, and continue an act made and passed in the 52d year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled an act for raising a fund to make and keep in repair the pumps, wells, and streets of Charlotte-Town, and for other purposes therein mentioned," which was granted, and the same, on motion, received the first reading.

On motion, the said Bill received the second reading.

Adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow.