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On Office of Excise at Halifax.

Copies of the Provincial Secretary's letter of 21st April, 1844, to Thomas A. S. Dewolf, Esquire, offering him, conditionally, the situation of Collector of Excise at Halifax: —and of Mr. Dewolf's letter in reply.

Copies of Despatch from Lord Falkland to Lord Stanley, dated 1st June, 1844, reporting Mr. Dewolf's appointment;—and of Despatch from Lord Stanley to Lord Falk-

land, dated 24th June, 1844, approving of Mr. Dewolf's appointment.

(See Appendix No. 10.)

Relating to Treasury

Copies of Provincial Secretary's letter of 1st May, 1844, to the Treasurer, requiring him to furnish monthly a transcript of his Cash Account, shewing the dates of the payments and receipts, the balance in hand, &c.

Of a Commission, dated 28th May, 1844, appointing Commissioners to examine into

and report on the Treasury and Excise Departments.

Of a Report of the said Commissioners, dated 22d November, 1844.

Of a Letter from the Provincial Treasurer to the Provincial Secretary, dated 1st June, 1844, reporting his having paid the debt due by the Province to the Bank of British North America.

Revenue and Excise

Of a letter from the Provincial Secretary, dated 7th December, 1844, to the Collector of Excise at Halifax, requiring comparative statements of the Revenue for 1843 and

Of Letter of Mr. Dewolf, the Collector of Excise at Halifax, in reply to the last mentioned, dated 29th January, 1845, with Returns.

(See Appendix No. 11.)

Proclamations and Circulars relating to Smuggling, Revenues, &c.

Copies of a Proclamation of 14th May, 1844, against Smuggling.

Of a Proclamation of same date, to protect the Fisheries, and against Illicit Traffic.

Of a Notice from the Provincial Secretary's Office, of 8th June, requiring all Collectors of Excise to transmit Quarterly Lists of Defaulters on Bonds; with Copy of a letter addressed by the Provincial Secretary to the Collector of Excise at Halifax, dated 1st May, 1844, requiring returns of defaulters on Bonds, &c., according to a Circular of 4th September, 1843, addressed to Collectors of Impost throughout the Province.

Of Circular from the Provincial Secretary to Collectors of Excise, directing them to

require in all cases the Invoices to be verified by Affidavit.

Ordered, That the said several Papers do lie on the Table.

Returns of Assessments presented.

The Hon. The Solicitor General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House several Returns of Assessments for the Counties hereinafter mentioned, pursuant to a Resolution of this House of the 8th April last—viz: for the Counties of Pictou, King's, Queen's Annapolis, Inverness, Lunenburg, Sydney, Richmond, Guysborough, Hants, Shelburne, Lunenburg and Colchester.

Ordered, That the said Returns be referred to Mr. Huntington, Mr. Fairbanks, and Mr. Hall, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Referred to Sel.

Petition from Justices of Colchester,

A Petition of the Justices of the Peace for the County of Colchester in General Session, was presented by Mr. McLelan and read, complaining of the lateness of the recepcomplaining of delay tion by the Magistrates, of the Acts of Assembly of last year, and praying that such dein publishing of Acts lay may be remedied.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow at twelve of the clock.