

A Message from his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by Mr. Secretary *Balkley*.

Mr. Speaker.

His Excellency commands this House to attend his Excellency, immediately, in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker with the House went up to attend his Excellency, in the Council Chamber, where his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent, to the several Bills following, viz.

An Act, to prevent the harbouring Deserters from His Majesty's Army, and the Sale of Arms, Accoutrements and Clothing, belonging to his Majesty.

An Act, to provide for the Summary Trial of Actions, heretofore vested in his Majesty's Justices of the Peace in the Town and Peninsula of *Halifax*.

An Act, to amend and reduce into one Act, the several Laws now in being relating to a Militia in this Province.

An Act, to amend and reduce into one Act, the several Acts made by the *General Assembly*, relating to the Office of Sheriffs, and also for altering the Form of the Summons heretofore used.

An Act, to raise a Sum of Money, not exceeding £2000. by Lottery for the Purpose of building Bridges, and repairing and amending Roads within this Province.

An Act, for Quartering and Billetting his Majesty's Forces, when marching from one District to another within this Province.

An Act, to continue in Force the several Acts therein mentioned.

An Act, to enable the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the Time being, to appoint Persons to solemnize Marriages in Places, wherein no established Clergyman resides.

An Act, in Amendment of an Act, made in the 34th Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intitled an Act, in Addition to, and Amendment of an Act, made in the 33d Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intitled an Act, for granting to his Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Rum and all other distilled Spirituous Liquors, and brown Sugar, for the Purpose of paying the Interest and reducing the Principal of the public Debt of this Province; and also to revive and render more effectual an Act, passed in the same 33d Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intitled an Act, for providing for the Support of his Majesty's Government in this Province, by laying an additional Duty on Wine, Rum, and other Articles therein mentioned, and for encouraging the Agriculture, Fisheries and Commerce of this Province.

An Act, in Addition to, and Amendment of an Act, passed in the 33d Year of the Reign of his late Majesty, intitled an Act, for regulating and maintaining a Light House on *Sambró-Island*, and in Addition to, and Amendment of an Act, passed in the 28th Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intitled an Act, for regulating and maintaining a Light-House at the Entrance of the Harbour of *Sbelburne*.

After which Mr. Speaker spake as follows, viz.

*May it please your Excellency,*

IT is with peculiar Satisfaction the Commons of *Nova-Scotia*, observe the flourishing State of the Province, and its Revenue. The System of Finance practiced the two