

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1834.

MR. SPEAKER addressed the House expressive of the reasons which had prevented his attendance at the opening of the session; and reported to the House, that he, with the Members present, yesterday, in obedience to the commands of his Excellency the Governor, went up to attend his Excellency in the Council Room, where his Excellency was pleased to make a speech, of which Mr. Speaker said, he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, which he read to the House as follows:

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen,

It is with much regret I have been under the necessity of calling you together so soon after the very long session in which you had been engaged, and at a period when I am fully aware your personal interests require your undivided attention—and which cannot but materially suffer by your absence from your respective homes.

The answers I have received to the memorials praying for pecuniary aid from the Imperial Parliament, which, at the request of the Council and the Assembly, I transmitted to his Majesty's Government, left me, however, no alternative but immediately to call you together that the same may be laid before you,—that you may be enabled to take the important subjects they embrace into your serious consideration, and that, should you deem it necessary to meet the exigencies of the public service by any further fiscal arrangements, you may have an opportunity of doing so at the time of the year when the imports will probably be more extensive than at a later period.

And to enable you to form an opinion of the probable amount of Revenue that will, under existing imposts, accrue for the year ending 1st April next, I shall direct a statement to be laid before you of the amount collected during the previous year, to which will be attached the amount of the expenditure to be provided for up to the 1st April next, under the authority of the Legislature during its last session.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. KOUGH,

Ordered, that Mr. ROW, Mr. CARSON, Mr. HOYLES, Mr. KOUGH, and Mr. KENT be a committee to draw up an address of thanks, in answer to his Excellency's most gracious speech.

A message from his Excellency the Governor.

The Honorable Mr. Secretary Crowdy attended, and being admitted within the Bar, presented to the House copies of despatches which his Excellency had received from the Honorable E. G. Stanley, Secretary of State for the Colonies, upon the subject of the application of the Legislature at its last session for pecuniary assistance from the Parent Government—and, also, sundry papers numbered 1 to 4 (see appendix) relating to the Revenue and Expenditure of the Colony for the present year.

And then he withdrew.

Ordered, that the said copies and papers do lie on the Table for the perusal of the Members.

Mr HOYLES gave notice that, on Friday next, he should move for leave to bring in a Bill for the continuance of an Act passed in the first session of the Colonial Parliament entitled "an Act to provide for the performance of Quarantine and more effectually to provide against the introduction of Infectious or Contagious Diseases, and the spreading thereof in this Island."

Then the House adjourned until Thursday next, at twelve of the clock.