

Address to His Excellency as reported by the Committee be engrossed, and that messengers be appointed to wait upon His Excellency to know when he will be pleased to receive this House with its Address.

Ordered accordingly.

Then Mr. Sherwood, seconded by Mr. Mallory, moved, That Messrs. Swazey and Rogers do wait upon his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to know when he will please to receive the House with its Address.

Which was ordered accordingly.

The Clerk of this House informed Mr. Speaker that the Clerk of the Peace for the different Districts in this Province (except the District of London) did send him returns of all the rateable property in their respective Districts, in compliance with the eighth section of the Act for the more uniform collection of Assessments throughout this Province.

Mr. Speaker then ordered the different returns made by the Clerks of the Peace to be laid on the Table, and afterwards to be entered in a book to be of Record in this House.

Mr. Rogers moved, seconded by Mr. Clench, that the Order of the Day for the first reading of the Bill for the District of Newcastle be discharged, and that leave be given him to bring in the said Bill on Tuesday next.

Leave was accordingly given.

On motion of Mr. Sherwood, seconded by Captain Cowan, the House adjourned.

*Tuesday, 5th February, 1805.*

Prayers were read.

Mr. Swazey reported that in obedience to the Order of this House the Messengers had waited upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to know when he would be pleased to receive this House with its Address; and that His Excellency was pleased to appoint this day at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Read, two Petitions from the District of Newcastle, which are as follows:

To the Honorable the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the Province of Upper Canada in Parliament assembled.

The Petition of the Inhabitants of the District of Newcastle,

Humbly Showeth,

That the place appointed by Law for building a Gaol and Court House in the District of Newcastle appears to Your Petitioners to be inconvenient.

Your Petitioners therefore pray that so much of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the Administration of Justice within the District of Newcastle" as directs that a Gaol and Court House should be built in the Town of Newcastle may be repealed, and that it may be lawful for Your Petitioners to cause a Gaol and Court House to be built in some part near the centre of the said District.

And as in duty bound they will ever pray.

Signed by Robert Baldwin, Lieut. of the County of Durham, John Spenser, Leonard Soper, Joseph Keeler, Elias Jones, Elias Smith, Senior, Benjamin Marsh, Asa Burnham, Joel Merriman, John Peters, Sheriff, Timothy Porter, Coroner, D. McG. Rogers, Clerk of the Peace, and one hundred and twenty-three others.

To the Representatives of the Province of Upper Canada in Provincial Parliament Assembled,

The Petition of sundry Inhabitants of the District of Newcastle,

Humbly showeth,

That Your Petitioners feel themselves much alarmed at the destruction that