

FEEL the arduous contest in which our King and Country are engaged—we know, that the personal exertions of every man, worthy of the name of an Englishman, will be wanted; and we flatter ourselves with the hope, that, when our's are called for, Your Excellency will find, that the hardy Sons of Nova-Scotia have not degenerated; and, that every man is ready with his arms to support the Constitution, which it is our duty to defend, and our glory and happiness to enjoy.

I should feel that I had omitted a part of my duty, was I to fail expressing on this occasion, how much of our present happiness we owe to the mild and moderate government of Your Excellency; we are sensible, that You have the true interests of the Province at heart; and hope You are convinced, that the people will be ever mindful of the great obligations they owe to You.

I cannot conclude without expressing to Your Excellency my humble thanks, for the ready attention You have always given, to the numerous representations it has been my duty to make to Your Excellency; and I can, with confidence, assure Your Excellency, that the people of this Province well know the value of British freedom, and are not afraid to die in its defence.

His Excellency was then pleased to give his Assent to the Bill following:

“An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned, for the service of the year of our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Three; and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.

After which his Excellency was pleased to make the following Speech:

*Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Council,*

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly,*

THE public business, after the maturest consideration, being thus far advanced, it remains with me to return my thanks for the supplies granted for the support of His Majesty's Government, and for improvement of Roads, Bridges and Public Buildings throughout the Province: These useful measures shall be faithfully executed as far as depends upon me.

Great Britain, our Parent State, being again involved in War, through the insatiable ambition, and implacable hatred of the French Government, it is incumbent on us to be prepared for events which proper caution leads us to expect, you will therefore, Gentlemen, in your different districts, exert the greatest vigilance to repel every attempt, not only of hostility, but also those that may secretly tend to discourage or diminish our animated efforts of defence and support of His Majesty's Government, towards which the unceasing practices of insidious enemies are always directed.—Herein, Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Assembly, I receive particular comfort, that the proffered display of your liberality, in behalf of your Constituents, may furnish me an ample Resource to apply for the defence of this His Majesty's Province, should any sudden emergency arise to make it necessary. I hope, however, that the protection of our Parent State, hitherto so effectual, will, under the blessing of Providence, still preserve us from the calamities of war in this country.

It is now my duty, with pleasure, to meet the united wishes of both Houses for a recess, which I cordially pray may be attended with individual health and prosperity.

And afterwards the President of His Majesty's Council by his Excellency's Command said,

*Gentlemen,*

It is his Excellency's Will and Pleasure, that this General Assembly be prorogued, to Thursday the First day of December next, to be then here held, and this General Assembly, is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the First day of December next.