

that the latter was but a recognition of the true principles of the constitution under which it is our happiness to live; and that the application of the Crown duties to any purpose, without the authority of the Provincial Legislature, is a violation of those principles. But when, may it please your Majesty, your faithful Commons of Nova Scotia are informed, that the produce of these duties, annually amounting to about 1,800 £ sterling, is applied to defray the expense of an establishment, already, as the House conceives, sufficiently provided for by the colony, they cannot but pray your Majesty to direct that the amount of these duties be annually paid into the provincial treasury, to be applied, under the vote and authority of the Provincial Legislature, to the military defence of the colony, or in such other way in support of Your Majesty's Government, under the directions of the representatives of the loyal people of your Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, as they may judge expedient.

In the House of Assembly,
15 January 1835.

S. G. W. Archibald,
Speaker.

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ADDRESS from the HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY to THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT
MAJESTY.

The Humble Address of the House of Assembly of the Province of *Nova Scotia*, in Legislative Session convened.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY :

THE House of Assembly again most humbly yet earnestly recal your Majesty's attention to the subject of their several addresses of the 29th March 1834, and the 15th January 1835.

The House of Assembly respectfully submit, that the remission of the duty on foreign flour, although a measure in itself acceptable to the House, will not afford their constituents the relief which they seek.

It will not open to foreign commerce the ports which are now closed, nor will it diminish the burthensome expense of the customs establishment, if the policy of your Majesty's Government should require that those ports should remain as at present.

As regards the additional expense of numerous officers of the customs, which it is suggested will become necessary, the House of Assembly humbly submit that upon no principle of justice ought this consideration to induce your Majesty to withhold from your loyal people of Nova Scotia the relief they so earnestly desire.

This is apparent from the reasons set forth in the before mentioned addresses, to which the House humbly refer your Majesty, and to which, as this House respectfully conceive, no sufficient consideration has ever yet been given.

The House of Assembly therefore humbly pray that your Majesty will take the prayer of their constituents into your gracious consideration, and grant them relief in the premises.

In the House of Assembly,
8 March 1836.

(signed) S. G. W. Archibald,
Speaker.