

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty-four ; and for appropriating the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, *resolved*, That as the safe keeping and preservation of the Province Building, and the repairs thereof, require constant superintendance, it is the opinion of this House, that William Lawson, Esq. be Commissioner for this purpose, with authority to direct, and cause to be executed, such repairs as may from time to time become necessary, and to provide for the safe keeping of the Building.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Secretary George :

Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor commands this House to attend His Excellency immediately in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker with the House attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the several Bills following, viz :

An Act to make further provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia.

An Act to alter the times of sitting of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the Counties and Districts therein named.

An Act to regulate and increase the number of Times for holding the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, in and for the County of Sydney.

After which Mr. Speaker spake as follows :

May it please Your Excellency,

I BEG leave to present to your Excellency, on the behalf of His Majesty's faithful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Nova-Scotia, a Bill for appropriating the Supplies granted in this present Session for the support of His Majesty's Government for the present year, and to request your Excellency's assent to the same.

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

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

His Excellency was then pleased to make the following Speech :

Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council :

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Assembly :

I HAVE great pleasure in releasing you from your Legislative Labours, and in conveying to you my best Thanks for the Supplies which you have granted to His Majesty for the various Public Services of the present Year.

The Internal Communications of a Country tend so manifestly to its improvement, and to increase the productive Industry of its Population, that I shall lose no time in employing the means which you have placed at my disposal, to ascertain the practicability and expence of forming a Canal, to unite the Waters of the Basin of Mines with the Harbourn of Halifax ; and it shall be my earnest endeavour to apply, to the best of my judgment, the other Monies which you have put under my control, to the objects which they are intended to promote. The