

Majesty's Roman Catholic subjects in Great Britain and Ireland have been removed—and that His Majesty has been graciously pleased to extend his paternal regards to the condition of his faithful Subjects of that persuasion in this Island. We shall receive any Communication on the subject with the respect so justly due to His Majesty's beneficent intentions.

"Your Excellency may at all times rely on our ready coöperation in every measure affecting the welfare and happiness of the Community; and we repose with undiminished confidence on a continuance of that solicitude and zeal which your Excellency has never ceased to evince for the advancement of the best interests of the Country."

Ordered, that *Mr. Cameron* and *Mr. Brecken* be a committee to wait upon his Excellency to know his pleasure when he will be attended by the House with the address.

On motion of *Mr. Leivellin*, ordered, that a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to regulate Spirituous Licences, and to suspend an act made and passed in the 13th year of his late Majesty, intituled "An act prohibiting the sale (by retail) of Rum or other distilled Spirituous Liquors, without first having a Licence for that purpose, and for the due regulation of such as shall be licenced,"—and also to suspend an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "An act in addition to and amendment of an act made and passed in the 13th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act prohibiting the sale (by retail) of Rum or other distilled Spirituous Liquors, without first having a Licence for that purpose, and for the due regulation of such as shall be licenced."

Ordered, that *Mr. Leivellin* and *Mr. Fairbairn* be a committee for that purpose.

Mr. Brecken gave notice that he would, at an early day, move for leave to introduce a bill for the recovery of monies due to His Majesty upon duties of Impost and Excise.

Message from his Excellency, by *Mr. Collins*, the Colonial Secretary.

"J. READY, Lieut. Governor.

"The Lieut. Governor lays before the House of Assembly copies of the several Despatches from the Secretary of State, alluded to in the Speech, for the consideration and information of the House."

"DOWNING STREET, 4th May, 1829.

"SIR,—I have the honor herewith to enclose the copy of an Act, which has recently passed in Parliament, for relieving His Majesty's Roman Catholic subjects from all Civil and Military disabilities, with certain specified exceptions.

"I apprehend that this Act must be understood as extending to the Colonies, though, certainly there is no positive declaration to that effect. But to remove all possibility of doubt on so important a subject, it will be proper, that you should recommend to the Legislature of Prince Edward Island to pass an Act, declaring

that this Statute does extend to, and is in force in, that Colony.

"I have, &c.

(Signed)

"G. MURRAY.

"Lieut. Governor Ready, &c. &c."

"DOWNING STREET, 1st September, 1829.

"SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch of the 2d June last, transmitting a joint Address from the Council and House of Assembly of Prince Edward Island, praying to be relieved from the arrears of Quit Rent, that they may be applied to purposes of internal improvement.

"I have to desire that you will acquaint the Legislature in reply, that as far as circumstances will permit, His Majesty's Government have every desire to comply with the prayer of the Address. I shall therefore be prepared to advise His Majesty to accept of a permanent grant of \$1000 per annum, in lieu of any further demand on account of arrears, or accruing Quit Rents—and this sum will be appropriated to such objects in aid of the Civil or Colonial Establishment of the Colony, as may receive His Majesty's sanction; subject, however, in the first instance, to the payment of any charges which may have been heretofore imposed upon the Quit Rents, for which the sum in question is a commutation.

"I have, &c.

(Signed)

"G. MURRAY.

"Lieut. Governor Ready, &c. &c."

"DOWNING STREET, 29th August, 1829.

"SIR,—Having referred to the consideration of the Master General and Board of Ordnance your Despatch of the 4th June last, enclosing the Address of the House of Assembly of Prince Edward Island, praying for a proportion of Arms and Accoutrements for the Militia of that Colony—I have now the honor to transmit to you the copy of a Letter from the Secretary of the Board of Ordnance, requesting returns of the number of Arms and Accoutrements that will be required for the Militia of Prince Edward Island, and also desiring to be informed whether the Militia has been formed, and if so, what is the Establishment thereof—and I am to desire that you will transmit to me information on the several points referred to in Mr. Byham's Letter.

"I have, &c.

(Signed)

"G. MURRAY.

"Lieut. Governor Ready, &c. &c."

"OFFICE OF ORDNANCE, 5th Aug. 1829.

"SIR,—Having laid before the Master General and Board of Ordnance your letter of the 21st ultimo, enclosing the copy of a Despatch from Lieut. Governor Ready, with the Address of the House of Assembly of Prince Edward Island, praying for a proportion of Arms and Accoutrements for the Militia of that Colony, and stating that Secretary Sir George Murray is of opinion that it will be proper to place the Militia of Prince Edward Island on the same footing, with respect to Arms and Accoutrements, as other British Colonies in America, to which Arms and Accoutrements have been recently forwarded.

"I have the honor to state that the Master General and Board concur in Secretary Sir George Murray's opinion.

"It appearing, however, advisable that Returns should be obtained to indicate the number of Arms and Accoutrements that will be requisite to supply the Militia of Prince Edward Island, and the Master General and Board at the same time observing that it is not stated whether the Militia of that Colony has been