

to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, reported, That his Excellency was pleased to appoint, half past Two o'clock, this day.

On Motion of *Mr. Macgowan*, The Bill Intituled "An Act to alter and amend an Act made and passed in the twenty-ninth year of the Reign of His present Majesty, Intituled an Act to empower the Governor, Lt. Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to appoint a Sheriff or Sheriffs for the Island; also to regulate the Office of Sheriffs, and the manner in which they shall return and pass their accounts of all fines and forfeitures, levied by them, for the use of the Crown," received a first and second reading.

On Motion of *Mr. Macgowan*, Ordered, That a Committee of this House be appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council to examine into such Laws as are near expiring, and report thereon to this House, and that Messrs. *Holland*, *Macgowan*, and *M<sup>r</sup> Aulay*, compose the same.

Ordered on Motion of *Mr. Holland*, That a Committee of this House be appointed to meet a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to prepare the draft of a joint Address of both Houses, to Field Marshal His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent, expressing in terms of the most profound respect and veneration the high and grateful sense they entertain of His Royal Highness's marked goodness manifested on every occasion towards this Island, and more particularly for His Royal Highness's late condescending efforts in our favor as communicated through the means of the Colony Agent.

The House waited on His Excellency the Lieut. Governor with the following Address in answer to his Excellency's Speech, viz.

"To His Excellency JOSEPH FREDERICK WALLET DES BARRES, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief in and over His Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto adjacent, Chancellor and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

"The Address of the House of Assembly in General Assembly convened.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

"WE His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Representatives of Prince Edward Island, in General Assembly convened, beg leave to return our best thanks for your Excellency's Speech at the opening of the present Session.