

I have directed the Public Accounts shall be prepared for your inspection ; and, from the care, diligence and ability which has been faithfully employed in them, I am persuaded they will prove correct, and be approved.

In your various situations you must have observed, and found great convenience from, the improvements made in the Roads and Bridges ; which, with the Public Buildings, tending to the comfort and credit of the country, so obviously and with such happy effect, that I rely on your wisdom and liberality to provide means for perfecting these judicious objects of your former application.

The Estimate for the support of His Majesty's Government, shall be presented to you in time to expedite your consultations ; wherein, and in whatever may facilitate the dispatch of the business of the Sessions with harmony and happiness, you may be assured of my best exertions and ready concurrence.

J. WENTWORTH.

Council-Chamber, 1st June, 1803,

On motion *ordered*, That Mr. Morris, Mr. Pyke and Mr. M'Monagle, be a Committee to prepare an Address in answer to his Excellency's Speech.

William Lyon, Esq; returned duly elected as a Representative for the County of Halifax, took the usual oaths and his seat.

Resolved, That no petition of a private nature be received after Monday the 12th instant.

On motion *ordered*, That Mr. Chipman, Mr. Millidge, Mr. Crane, Mr. Wollenhaupt, and Mr. Lyon, be a Committee of this House, for the purpose of examining the Public Accounts, jointly with a Committee of his Majesty's Council, and reporting thereon, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

A Message from his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by Mr. Secretary Wentworth, acquainting the House, that his Excellency grants his permission to this House, to adjourn until Monday next, at Twelve o'Clock, if they shall think fit.

On motion *ordered*, That Mr. Pyke, Mr. Lovett, and Mr. Robie, be a Committee, to report what Laws, are near expiring, and for preparing and bringing in a Bill for continuing the same.

Then the House adjourned until Friday at Ten of the Clock.

Friday, 3d June, 1803.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Pyke laid before the House an account of receipts and expenditures from the Commissioners for building a new Market House, &c. in Halifax, amounting to £.486. 18.

Mr. Speaker, laid before the House, a Copy of his Correspondence with the Agent of the Province in England, together with a Copy of several Letters received by Mr. Speaker from the Agent, between the 6th January 1802, and the first Day of June instant.

Ordered, That the said Papers, do lie on the Table to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. Morris *reported*, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in answer to his Excellency's Speech, and presented an Address accordingly, which he read in his place and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read by the Clerk, and upon the question put thereupon, agreed to and is as follows:

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