

Monday, 13th June, 1808.

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PRAYERS.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair;

Mr. James took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same; which report the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at eleven of the clock.

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Tuesday, 14th June, 1808.

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PRAYERS.

Mr. Tonge pursuant to leave given presented a Bill for the cognizance, trial and punishment, of Spies; and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill be read a second time.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

His Majesty's Council propose the following amendment to the Bill sent up, entitled, An Act to provide for the greater security of this Province, by a better regulation of the Militia, and to repeal the Militia Laws now in force, to which they request the concurrence of this House:

Leave out the title, and the several clauses of the Bill to the word "and," in the eighth line of the last page; and instead thereof insert the following, vizt.

An Act in further addition to an Act, passed in the thirty-fifth year of the reign of His present Majesty, entitled, An Act to amend and reduce into one Act the several Laws now in being, relating to a Militia in this Province.

Whereas the Militia Laws now in force are insufficient for the purpose of training and disciplining the Militia so as to render them fit for active service; and whereas it is necessary to provide for the more effectual defence of the Province; under the present aspect of affairs and to strengthen the Military force of the Country:

*Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor or Commander-in Chief, for the time being, by and with the advice and consent of his Majesty's Council, to call out from time to time as may be judged requisite for the purpose of training and disciplining the whole or such proportion of the effective Militia of the Province, as he may judge fit and expedient, and to cause the officers and men so called into service.*