

until a perfect Plan can be submitted for approval, I have to inform you, that I understand the allowance made to the embodied Militia, in Nova-Scotia, is as follows, viz.

To Privates 1s. 3d. Currency per diem, 1s. of which is drawn for upon His Majesty's Government at home, and the 3d. (called extra pay) is defrayed from the Colonial Chest. Out of this 1s. 3d. the Soldier pays 6d. Sterling, for his ration, which ration is the same, as issued to troops of the Line.

"Officers receive pay as the same Rank do in the regular Service.—The only difference is Currency instead of Sterling, and pay 2½ Sterling for their Ration.

"It is to be understood, that the above pay and allowances, cannot be extended to Militia that are not regularly embodied, and doing actual duty as soldiers.

"I have the honor to be,

Sir, your most obedient, and

Most humble Servant,

"RALPH BRECKEN, Esq. Speaker  
of the House of Assembly.

(Signed) J. F. W. DES BARRES.

On Motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to resume the consideration of the Bill, (Mr. Solicitor General in the Chair) and after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, on Motion that the Speaker be requested to write a Letter of thanks to His Excellency, in behalf of the House, for his Communications to this House, relative to the Militia, and inform him, that the House, deem it highly expedient, that an Express should be forwarded to Halifax, for the information mentioned therein.

Adjourned till 12 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## TUESDAY, August 18, 1812.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

James Townshend, Esquire, returned as a Member for Prince Town appeared, and having taken the Oaths prescribed by Law, in presence of the Commissioners, appointed by His Excellency, was admitted to his seat.

Mr. Solicitor General, presented the Bill, entitled "An Act to amend an Act made and passed in the forty-sixth year of his present Majesty's Reign, entitled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the forty-first year of his present Majesty's Reign entitled an Act for the better regulation of Elections, and to regulate Elections for Members to serve in General Assembly in future, and also to promote the effectual attendance of Members to serve in the General Assembly;" which on Motion received the first reading.

The Speaker produced a Letter received by him from the Honorable the Secretary and Registrar of the Province in consequence of an application made to that Officer, to produce a Proclamation, relative to the Loyalists; Ordered, on Motion of Doctor McAulay, seconded by Mr. Murray, that the above Letter be entered on the Journals, which is as follows, viz.

"THE Provincial Secretary presents his respectful compliments to the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

"The Secretary begs leave to acquaint Mr. Speaker, Deputy has searched the Office, and cannot find the Proclamation in question, nor does he know that he ever