

Resolved, That his Excellency's speech be taken into consideration in a committee of the whole House. Resolve.

House in committee. House in committee.

The *Attorney General* in the chair.

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported: Report of the committee.
That the committee was of opinion that a committee be appointed to examine and report what laws have expired or are near expiring.

Ordered, That the report be accepted, and that the further consideration of his Excellency's speech be postponed until tomorrow. Report accepted—and consideration of his Excellency's speech postponed.

Mr. *Hardy*, Mr. *Hubbard*, and Mr. *Hamilton*, are appointed a committee to examine and report what laws have expired or are near expiring. Committee appointed.

The House being informed of the death of *Stanton Hazard* Esquire one of the members for the city and county of Saint John.—*Ordered*, that the Speaker direct his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to issue a writ for the election of a member for the said city and county in the room of the deceased. Warrant ordered for a writ for the election of a member for the city and county of St. John.

Mr. *Robert Pagan* having informed the House that *William Paine* Esquire, one of the members for the county of Charlotte, had removed from the province with his family and effects, and had been absent upwards of two years, and that he had received a letter from the said *William Paine* informing him, that he should be absent from the province for some time longer and requesting that his seat might be considered as vacant. Information respecting William Paine, Esq.

Thereupon *Resolved*, that the seat of the said *William Paine* be vacated and the same is hereby declared to be vacant. Resolve.

Ordered, That the Speaker direct his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to issue a writ for the election of a member for the said county of Charlotte in the room of *William Paine* Esquire. Warrant ordered for a writ for the election of a member for Charlotte county.

Mr. *Hubbard* member for Sunbury in his place informed the House that Capt. *Richard Vanderburgh* member for the same county, had more than twelve months ago sold and disposed of all his property in this province and removed to the United States of America with intent to reside there, and that Captain *Vanderburgh* previous to his departure informed him Mr. *Hubbard*; that should he return into his Majesty's dominions, he would not again return into this province, and Major *Murray* member for York county at the same time informed the House that Capt. *Vanderburgh* previous to his departure from the province assured him Major *Murray* that he *Captain Vanderburgh* did not intend to return to reside again in this Province. Information respecting Richard Vanderburgh, Esquire.