

THURSDAY, 27th MARCH, 1823.

In consequence of the extreme illness of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the House met at 7 o'clock this morning.

A Message from the Council.

Mr. *Lockwood* delivered the Message, as follows :

“ Mr. *Speaker*,---The Council have agreed to the bill ‘ for altering the Terms of holding the General Sessions of the Peace and Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the County of Westmorland.’ ”

And then Mr. *Lockwood* withdrew.

A Message from the Council.

Mr. *Black* delivered the Message, as follows :

“ Mr. *Speaker*,---The Council have agreed to the resolutions of Appropriation, dated 25th and 26th March, sent up by the House for concurrence : And they have likewise agreed to the bill ‘ to increase the Revenue of the Province, by imposing a duty upon all Rum and other Spirituous Liquors that shall be distilled within the same :’ And also to the bill ‘ to provide for the calling in the Arms issued to the Militia of this Province.’ ”

And then Mr. *Black* withdrew.

Read a first, second, and third time, the bill “ to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the services therein mentioned.”

Resolved that the bill do pass.---And ordered that Mr. *M'Kay* and Mr. *Campbell*, carry the same to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

Read a second and third time, the bill “ to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the ordinary services of the Province.”

Resolved that the bill do pass.---And ordered that Mr. *Stubs* and Mr. *Miles*, carry the same to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

A Message from the Council.

Mr. *Black* delivered the Message, as follows :

“ Mr. *Speaker*,---The Council have agreed to the bill ‘ to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue to provide for the ordinary services of the Province’ : And also the bill ‘ to appropriate a part of the Public Revenue for the services therein mentioned.’ ”

And then Mr. *Black* withdrew.

A Message was delivered by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, requiring the attendance of the House in the Council Chamber.

The House having attended, the Clerk of the Council read a Commission under the Great Seal of the Province, appointing His Honor the *Chief Justice*, and the Honorable *Ward Chipman*, and *John Murray Bliss*, Esquires, or any two of them, Commissioners in the name and behalf of His Excellency the *Lieutenant-Governor*, to assent to, and enact certain Bills which had been passed by the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, during the present Session : the titles of which Bills were recited in the said Commission.

His Honor the *Chief Justice*, and the Honorable *Ward Chipman*, Esquire, two of the Commissioners so appointed by and under the authority of the said Commission, thereupon gave, in behalf of His Excellency, assent to the Bills so named in the said Commission---And which are as follow :

“ A bill to continue an Act intituled An Act for the better regulation of Licences to Taverns, Inns, and Houses for selling Strong Liquors by retail.”

“ A bill to continue an Act intituled An Act more effectually to provide for the support of a Nightly Watch in the City of Saint John.”

“ A bill to continue an Act intituled An Act to empower and authorize the Justices of the County of Westmorland, at their General Sessions of the Peace,