

“ be wanted, or for other uses of War and defence, and for ascertaining the value thereof and making compensation for the same to the former owners”—was read the first time.

The House waited upon the Lieutenant-Governor with their Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech—and being returned, Mr. Speaker reported, that the House had presented the same, to which he was pleased to make the following reply.

“ *Gentlemen,*

“ I thank you for this Address, which I consider as a sure pledge of your dutiful attachment to His MAJESTY's Government, and zeal for the public prosperity.”

On Motion, Ordered, That *Samuel Tilley, Edward Verner, Thomas Perley, Zachariah Brown, Joseph Thomas, Daniel Smith, junr. James Taylor, Israel Perley, senior, Hiel Camp, and James M'Kean,* Do attend at the Bar of this House on Monday next, to give evidence of what they and each of them know as to matters depending on the Petition of *William Hubbard, Esquire,* complaining of the undue Election of *James Glenie, Esquire,* for the County of *Sunbury*—Of which order, when notified, the said witnesses will take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

The House in Committee (Mr. *Robinson* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “ A Bill for the more equal representation of the Province in General Assembly”.—The Speaker having resumed the Chair—The Chairman reported, that the Committee had agreed to the said Bill—Ordered, that the said report be accepted, and that the Bill be engrossed.

A Bill brought in by leave entitled “ An Act in addition to an Act for the better ascertaining and confirming the boundaries of the several Counties in this Province”—was read a first and second time—Ordered, that the said Bill be committed.

“ A Bill for preserving in this Province the Kirk or Church of Scotland”—was read a second time—Ordered, that the said Bill be committed.

The House in Committee (Mr. *M'Kay* in the Chair) went into the consideration of the Supplies to be granted to His MAJESTY—The Speaker having resumed the Chair—The Chairman reported, that the Committee had come to sundry Resolutions on the business to them referred, and had directed him to request leave to sit again—Ordered, that the said Report be accepted.

A Bill brought in by leave “ To encourage the destroying of Bears”—was read the first time.

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at Eleven of the Clock.

WEDNESDAY, 16th FEBRUARY, 1803.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *William Pagan* by leave brought in “ A Bill for the security of Navigation, and preserving all Ships, Vessels and Goods, which shall be found on Shore, Wrecked or Stranded on the Coast of this Province, and for punishing persons who shall steal Ship-wrecked Goods, and for relief of persons suffering loss thereby”—which was read the first time.

“ A Bill” brought in by leave and read the first time “ for the appointment of Inspectors of Butter in this Province.”

“ A Bill” brought in by leave “ to empower the Justices of the City of *Saint John,* to pay the County debts”—was read the first time.

“ A Bill to encourage the destroying of Bears”—was read the second time—Ordered, that the said Bill be committed.

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