

Halifax, N.S. December 31, 1817.

THE HALIFAX COMMITTEE OF TRADE, having requested the attendance of the **MERCHANTS, TRADERS**, and other persons interested in *Trade and Commerce*, at the New Court-House, for the purpose of considering the situation of the **FISHERIES** of the Province;—a Memoir on those subjects, prepared by the Committee, was read; and the following Resolutions were unanimously agreed to:—

RESOLVED—That a Committee be appointed to draw up a representation to His Excellency the *Lieutenant Governor*, stating the decayed situation of the **COD-FISHERIES** of this Province, and suggesting such means to be adopted, as may by them be thought necessary to promote its interests, and praying that His Lordship will be pleased to lay the same before the two other branches of the Legislature, at its ensuing meeting, together with his Excellency's recommendation;—the means suggested by the Committee of Trade being in the opinion of the persons now present, those which are absolutely necessary to prevent the entire Ruin of the Commerce of the Colony.

RESOLVED—That the following Gentlemen, be a Committee to draw up the said Address to His Excellency, and that the same be submitted to the consideration of a future meeting.

THE CHAIRMAN,

MR. JOSEPH ALLISON,

and

MR. LEWIS E. MARR,