

I hope the House is sufficiently satisfied, how extremely I feel interested in the affairs of this Province, to make it unnecessary for me to assure it, that my utmost exertions shall be made while I am at home, to forward and promote its best interests; and should the House deem it necessary, to honor me with any commands, I shall consider it my first duty to comply with its wishes, and by every act in my power, to convince the House, how highly I value its favor, and how grateful I feel the remembrance of its extraordinary kindness and favor towards me.

The public concerns trusted to me, and of which, through you, I beg to give the House some information, consists of only two objects, the one the continuance of the correspondence with the Provincial Agent, which, since the last Session, has consisted merely of common intercourse, and formal communication, as the engagement of His Majesty's Ministers in the weighty concerns of the nation, had suspended any particular attention to Colonial Affairs; but I flatter myself with the hope that my being on the spot will give activity to measures so highly important to the interests of the Province: and, I beg the House to believe, that no pains or diligence shall be wanting on my part to convey to His Majesty's Ministers a just and impartial statement of the present situation of the British Colonies, and the absolute necessity there is for the eye of Government to be turned towards objects so very important.

The Publication of the Province Laws has been at length effected, and the work will be ready to lay before the Legislature at its next meeting: the difficulties I have experienced in perfecting a laborious undertaking of the greatest public importance, have been very great, but should it merit the approbation of the Legislature, and be of use to the Province, I shall consider myself amply rewarded."

A message from his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Gautier, the Deputy-Secretary, commanding the attendance of the Members in the Council Chamber:

Accordingly the Members went up to the Council Chamber, when the President of His Majesty's Council said,

*Gentlemen of the Council, and
Gentlemen of the Assembly,*

I am commissioned, by his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to declare to this General Assembly that it is his Excellency's pleasure that this General Assembly be prorogued until Saturday next, then here to meet for the dispatch of business—and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued until Saturday next.

Saturday, 30th November, 1805.

The following Members having assembled, agreeably to the Prorogation declared by the President of His Majesty's Council on Saturday last, viz.

Mr. Millidge,	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Dimock,	Mr. Lyon,
Mr. Northup,	Mr. Fulton,	Mr. Monk,	Mr. Pool,
Mr. Marshall,	Mr. Oxley,	Mr. Mortimer,	Mr. Moody,
Mr. Pyke,	Mr. Crane,	Mr. Cochran,	Mr. Rutherford,
Mr. Wilkins,	Mr. Lovet,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Bolman,
Mr. Robie,	Mr. Morton,	Mr. Morris,	Mr. Wollenhaupt,
Mr. Tonge,	Mr. Barfs,	Mr. M'Monagle,	Mr. M'Curdy.

Jacob Van Buskirk, Esq. returned, duly elected, as a Representative for the County of Shelburne, in the room of James Cox, Esq. deceased, took the usual Oaths prescribed by Law, and subscribed the usual declaration, in the presence of the Honorable John Butler Butler, one of His Majesty's Council, (the Master of the Rolls being ill, and unable to attend.)

After which a message was delivered from his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by the Honorable John Butler Butler, desiring the House of Assembly would proceed to the choice of a Speaker in the room of Richard John Uniacke, Esq. who had gone to England