

tenant-Governor to know his pleasure when he would be pleased to receive the Address of this House ; that the committee had, pursuant to Order, waited on His Excellency accordingly, and that His Excellency was pleased to appoint this day, at one of the clock, at the Government-House.

Mr. Speaker, and the House, attended His Excellency with their Address, pursuant to the Resolution of yesterday.

And being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported, that His Excellency had been pleased to give this answer :—

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

I CANNOT but feel, and express myself highly gratified by the loyal and patriotic sentiments which pervade this Address ; and I rest assured that my most anxious hopes will be realised in the important matters which will come under your consideration in this Session.

I thank you for the kind expressions you have addressed to myself : it has been my earnest desire to render myself in some degree useful to the Province, and worthy of the distinguished honor His Majesty conferred upon me, in placing me here. I beg you will be assured that it will still be the object of my ambition to merit and confirm your good opinion.

DALHOUSIE.

Ordered, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Dimock, Mr. Crane, Mr. Cogswell, Mr. Dewolf, and Mr. Ritchie, of Annapolis Royal, be a Committee of Privileges.

Mr. Ritchie delivered to the House, sundry Papers from the Sheriff of the County of Annapolis, relative to the late Election for the Township of Digby ; and thereupon,

On motion of Mr. James, the Petition of John F. Hughes, and also the Petition of the Freeholders of Digby, were severally read by the Clerk ; and, thereupon,

Mr. Ritchie moved, that the Sheriff of the County of Annapolis be ordered to attend forthwith at the Bar of this House, for the purpose of amending his Return on the Writ for Electing a Member to serve for the Township of Digby in this House ; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, it passed in the affirmative ; and, thereupon,

Ordered, That the Clerk do furnish the Sheriff of the County of Annapolis, with a copy of the foregoing Resolution.

Then the House adjourned until Monday, at Eleven of the Clock.

Monday, 15th February, 1819.

PRAYERS.

On Motion of Mr. Dimock, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to ascertain, and report to the House, what Property there is situate in the Town of Halifax belonging to the Province ; in whose possession and occupation the same is, and for what purpose, and under what authority, the same is held.

Ordered, That Mr. Dimock, Mr. W. A. Chipman and Mr. Allison, be a Committee for the above purpose.

On motion of Mr. Haliburton, *resolved*, that a committee be appointed to examine into, and report on, the expenditure of all Monies granted for the service of Roads and Bridges throughout the Province, subsequent to the year 1814, and that the committee do make their Report to this House on or before the 25th day of this present month.

Ordered, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Roach, Mr. J. L. Chipman, and Mr. W. Dickson, be a committee accordingly.