

‘tends to destroy the ballance of the Constitution’—‘This objection therefore is altogether unconstitutional; for the House of Lords are not allowed to alter Commissioners names--- Commissioners of Public Accounts, American Claims &c. have been named by the Commons and appointed by act of Parliament.’

‘In answer to the *third* objection we observe—1<sup>st</sup>. That the only Estimate of expenses for the Public Service of the Province of *New-Brunswick*, viz. for the year *one thousand seven hundred and ninety three*, recommends the pay of the Speaker and the Members of the House as the *first* articles of provision—It would therefore be a reflection on HIS EXCELLENCY the Lieutenant Governor to accede to this objection of the Council.’

‘2<sup>dly</sup>. That the 6 Hen. 8. c. 15. was made long before there were any *English* colonies in America and therefore could not have had them in contemplation and is consequently altogether inapplicable to the case in question.’

‘3<sup>dly</sup>. That it is the sole and inherent right of the House of Assembly to judge of the expediency and to direct the mode and manner of providing for this service as well as for all other services. The House of Assembly is therefore utterly at a loss to account for the wonderful inconsistency between this reason offered by the Council and the recommendation of services to be provided for in 1793—It is certainly strange that what HIS EXCELLENCY recommended in 1793, should be called unconstitutional by the Council in 1796. The allusions to personal advantage best become those who indulge such unworthy motives—the House think this part of the objection deserves no other answer.’

‘To the *fourth* objection they reply—that a large drawback is allowed on the exportation from *Great-Britain* of the articles of Loaf Sugar, Porter and Playing Cards alluded to in this objection—that the duties proposed do not impose any burden on HIS MAJESTY’S subjects in *Great-Britain* or *Ireland* other than is imposed on HIS MAJESTY’S subjects in this province—that the particular restrictions in HIS EXCELLENCY’S instructions have been dispensed with in an act passed in the *twenty eighth* year of HIS MAJESTY’S reign intituled “*An Act to provide for the Support of a Light House to be built upon Partridge Island*”—that in our sister colonies of *Canada* and *Nova-Scotia* as well as in the *British-West-India-Islands*,

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