

lency's Speech at the opening of this Session, and that Mr. *M'Neill*, Mr. *Worrell*, Mr. *Solicitor General*, Mr. *Campbell*, Mr. *Cameron*, Mr. *Cambridge*, and Mr. *Alley*, be appointed to draw up the same.

The Sergeant at Arms Reported, That he went to Mr. Carmichael's Quarters, and that Mrs. Carmichael informed him that Mr. Carmichael, had gone to the Bay of Fortune.

Mr. *M'Neill*, from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address to his Royal Highness the Prince Regent in conformity to the Resolution of the 15th December last, Reported the same to the House, which was read, and is as followeth, viz.

"To His Royal Highness

"THE PRINCE REGENT,

"May it please your Royal Highness,

"**H**IS Majesty's loyal and dutiful Subjects the House of Assembly of Prince Edward Island, in General Assembly convened, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness with sentiments of the most profound respect, and to lay before your Royal Highness the conduct of his Excellency CHARLES DOUGLASS SMITH, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of this Island, refusing to receive from the House an Address, which was framed in answer to the Speech of his Excellency, at the opening of this Session.

"That the House humbly conceive such refusal is an infringement of the ancient admitted Privileges of the House and tends to the subversion of that admirable Constitution which his Majesty has been most graciously pleased to confer on this Colony.

"That this House have no desire whatever to claim or assume any right or privilege which has not been enjoyed by every preceding one.

"That this refusal of Lt. Governor Smith, did not prevent this House from proceeding to the Public Business of the Island, and from originating and passing a Bill of Supply and many others, proving thereby a disposition to postpone all discussion of rights and privileges, to the consideration of the affairs of the Colony.

"That this House humbly request permission to lay before your Royal Highness the Speech of his Excellency Lieut. Governor SMITH, at the opening of this Session, and the Address in answer thereto, which his Excellency hath refused to receive, and from which with great deference the House hope it will appear to your Royal Highness that they have exercised their right temperately, loyally and constitutionally; and the House in like manner, humbly crave permission to present to your Royal Highness certain Resolutions of the House passed respecting their right to Address the Lieut. Governor, and the duty of his Excellency to receive the same, by which they humbly trust your Royal Highness will perceive that in so doing they have been actuated by no other motive than a desire to preserve their rights and to transmit them unimpaired to posterity.

"The House of Assembly therefore most humbly pray that your Royal Highness will be graciously pleased to adopt such measures as may secure to them the future exercise of their Constitutional Privileges.

"ANGUS M'AULAY,

Speaker.

Assembly Room, Jan. 5th, 1819.

On Motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to take the Address into consideration,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. *M'Neill*, took the Chair of the Committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

The Chairman reported, That they had gone through the Address, and that the Committee had directed him to move that the Report be received by the House.

Ordered, That the Report of the Committee be agreed to.

On Motion of Mr. *Stewart*, seconded by Mr. *Worrell*, Ordered, That the Speaker do by Letter, respectfully request His Grace the Duke of Richmond, to transmit the said Address to his Royal Highness the Prince Regent.

Adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, January 6, 1819.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On Motion the Bill intituled an Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the

13th year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled an Act prohibiting the sale (by retail) of Rum or other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, &c. received the second reading.