



JOURNAL

AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

TUESDAY, 31ST JANUARY, 1854.

The General Assembly, having, by several Proclamations of His Excellency the Governor, hereto prefixed, been prorogued until this day, then to meet for the dispatch of business, the members thereof accordingly met in the Assembly room.

Members assemble.

By virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, directed to the Honorables Edward Mortimer Archibald, Joseph Noad, and Laurence O'Brien, which is as follows :—

Dedimus Potestatem.

KER B. HAMILTON.

*VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ire-
land, Queen, Defender of the Faith.*

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING :

Know Ye that We have constituted and appointed, and by these presents do constitute and appoint, the Honorables Edward Mortimer Archibald, Joseph Noad, and Lawrence O'Brien, Members of Our Council, of Our Island of Newfoundland, to be Commissioners, they or either of them, jointly and severally to administer the Oath of Allegiance to Hugh William Hoyles, Esq., who is, or should be a member of the General Assembly of Our said Island, appointed by Proclamation of our Governor to be holden at St. John's on the Thirty-first day of this instant Month of January, giving to them, or either of them, our said Commissioners, full power and authority to perform the matters herein-before mentioned, ratifying and confirming all and whatsoever they, or either of them shall do and perform in this behalf. And thereof they or either of them, are to make