

THURSDAY, 21st JANUARY, 1836.

giving them, or either of them, full power and authority to perform the matters herein-
before mentioned, ratifying and confirming all and whatsoever the said Commissioners,
or either of them, shall do and perform in this behalf.

*Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this
20th day of January, A. D. 1836, in the 6th Year of
His Majesty's Reign.*

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,

THOMAS W. JAMES, D. S.

Commissioners ad-
minister Oaths to
new Members

The said Commissioners came into the body of the House, and the following Members
Elect took the usual Oaths prescribed by Law, in the presence of the said Commis-
sioners, and then respectively took their Seats, viz :

Mr. Bell takes his
seat for Town of
Halifax

Hugh Bell, Esquire, returned duly Elected a Member for the Town of Halifax, in
place of Charles R. Fairbanks, Esquire, Master of the Rolls in the Court of Chancery,
whose Seat has become vacated by his resignation thereof, under the provisions of an
Act passed in the last Session of the General Assembly.

Mr. Crow for On-
slow

John Crow, Esquire, returned duly Elected a Member for the Town of Onslow, in the
place of Robert Dickson, Esquire, (deceased,) and

Mr. Clements for
Yarmouth

Reuben Clements, Esquire, returned duly Elected a Member for the Town of Yar-
mouth, in the place of Samuel Sheldon Poole, Esquire, (deceased.)

Speaker reports at-
tendance of House
upon Gov.

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended His Excellency the Lieutenant-
Governor in the Council Chamber, where His Excellency had been pleased to make a
Speech, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a Copy, which
he read to the House, and is as follows :

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council,
Mr Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly ;*

His Excellency's
Speech at opening
of the Session

IT affords me great pleasure to meet you again in General Assembly. Since our last meeting I
have visited many parts of this beautiful and interesting Province, and was much gratified with its
appearance, and the industry manifested by its inhabitants.

I have the satisfaction to congratulate you that, under the blessing of Divine Providence, an
abundant harvest has spread plenty throughout the country ; and I have also the satisfaction of
informing you that the affairs of this Province are now generally in a state of steady and progres-
sive improvement, with regard to trade and agriculture. The Fisheries on our coast have been
more productive this season than for some years past. This important branch of industry and
commerce should be encouraged and protected, as it is a source of wealth to those engaged in it,
and also to the Province. I anticipate that these indications of reviving prosperity will continue to
increase ; and I hope by our joint endeavours and exertions to advance the public good.

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

I shall direct the Public Accounts of last year to be laid before you for your inspection ; and I
trust that you will find the supplies granted to His Majesty have been faithfully applied. I shall
also direct the usual Estimates to be submitted to you ; and I confidently rely upon your making
the necessary provision for the services of the year.

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council ;
Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly ;*

I have again to recommend to your favorable consideration, a more effectual system for the im-
provement of the great Roads and Bridges, leading from the Capital through the Province : expe-
rience shows that the sums annually allotted to this service, restricted as they have been by local
divisions in the expenditure, cannot, upon so extended a line, produce a beneficial effect : the pre-
sent system is admitted to be defective, as the labour of one year is, in many instances, scarcely
perceptible on the return of another.

Concurring entirely in the resolution expressed by you in the last Session, I have directed re-
ports of the state of the different Main Post Roads to be prepared and laid before you ; and I con-
fidently trust that you will adopt measures to remedy the existing evil.

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