

wards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where the same was read, and is as followeth, viz.

"To His Excellency CHARLES DOUGLASS SMITH, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief, in and over his Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

"The Address of the Lower House of Assembly, in General Assembly, convened,

"May it please your Excellency,

"WE the House of Representatives in General Assembly convened, desirous of maintaining the most perfect cordiality of sentiment and good understanding with your Excellency and equally anxious that all our proceedings should be conducted with strict Parliamentary correctness, and be couched in proper, respectful, and constitutional language, have with those views taken your Excellency's Message of yesterday into our most serious consideration; the result of which is, that we cannot find that our intended Address to your Excellency, referred to in that Message, contains any unconstitutional animadversion whatever: we therefore beg leave to request, that your Excellency will be

pleased to inform us, when your Excellency will receive the Address of this House, in answer to your Excellency's Speech, delivered at the opening of this new Assembly."

"ANGUS M'CAULAY,
Speaker.

Assembly Room, Nov. 7th, 1818.

Ordered, that Mr. Townsend, Mr. Worrell, and Mr. Solicitor General, do wait upon his Excellency with the foregoing Address. 12 three A

The Committee appointed to wait on his Excellency with the Address of the House, in answer to his Excellency's Message of yesterday, having waited accordingly, returned, and Reported, That his Excellency was pleased to say that the House would on Monday next, receive a communication through their Speaker, in reply to their Address.

On Motion of Mr. Cameron, seconded by Mr. Hyde, Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up the heads of a Bill for the better regulation of Statute Labour, on the Highways, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Worrell, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Murray, & Mr. Mabey, were accordingly appointed for that purpose.

Adjourned till 10 o'clock on Monday next.

MONDAY, November 9, 1818.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On Motion of Mr. Townsend, seconded by Mr. Cambridge, Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up the heads of a Bill for regulating Pilots and Ballast Masters throughout the Island, and that Mr. Townsend, Mr. Cambridge, Mr. Alley, Mr. Campbell, and Mr. Stewart, do form the same.

On Motion of Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Kelly, That a Committee be appointed to examine into such Laws as are near expiring, and that Mr. Nelson, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. Chappell, do form the same. Ordered accordingly.

A Message from His Excellency the Lt. Governor, as followeth, viz.

CHARLES DOUGLASS SMITH,
Lt. Govr.

"The Lieut. Governor in reply to a communication presented on Saturday the 7th instant from the House of Assem-

bly, laments they should have thought proper again to press the reception of the Address, which he had given so diffinitive a reply upon. Did the objection to receiving it arise out of personal feeling alone, he would have a pleasure, and even a pride in sacrificing it to maintain political union; but the question is far different, involving a constitutional principle of the first importance, and therefore a point that cannot possibly be conceded.

"The Lt. Governor trusts this matter will not interrupt the harmony he so much desires, and repeats to the House, the assurance of his unaltered, and unalterable disposition, to co-operate with them in measures for the public welfare.

"To the Speaker,
November 9th, 1818."

Adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow.