

We humbly beg leave further to represent to your Majesty, that the permanent interests of the West India Merchant are best served by a perseverance in the present line of policy, although temporary relief may be afforded by conceding to the United States the advantages which they seek. Yet, besides other casualties, the rapidly increasing production of Sugars within the Union, will soon render the United States independent of the West Indies for that staple article of their commerce. In that case the West India Merchant must of necessity make his returns for Supplies drawn from the United States, entirely in Specie—while on the contrary, the North American Colonies, whose lands and waters are capable of affording an inexhaustible and certain supply, will at the same time become increasing and advantageous Markets for return Productions.

We would also beg leave most respectfully to state, that the late revulsions in Trade plunged a considerable portion of the Inhabitants of this Colony in unforeseen and unavoidable distress. The consequence which resulted was, the depreciation of almost every article of Colonial exportation. Many of the Inhabitants of this and the neighbouring Provinces still severely feel the shock which the trading community experienced. Under such circumstances the revocation of the Orders in Council, or any sudden alteration in the Commercial regulations, as at present established by your Majesty's Government, would be productive of consequences seriously injurious to the future prospects of this Colony, and prejudicial alike to its Commercial prosperity and Agricultural improvement.

The Council and Assembly therefore humbly trust that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to continue to your faithful and loyal Subjects of North America, a trade so essential to their welfare, by adhering to that system of Policy which has already proved so advantageous to their Interests.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. M'Neill: with a Bill intituled "An act for appropriating certain Monies therein mentioned—for the service of the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty"—to which they pray the concurrence of His Majesty's Council."

The Messenger then withdrew.

On motion, the said Bill received a first reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. M'Neill:

"House of Assembly, April 26th, 1830.

"Resolved, That *John Stewart, Esq. Speaker, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Dalrymple, Mr. Mabey, Mr. Owen and Mr. Brecken*, or any three of them, be a Committee to correspond on behalf of this House with *John Bainbridge, Esquire*, the Colony Agent; and that His Majesty's Council be invited by Message to appoint a Committee of Council to co-operate with the above named Committee.

"Ordered, that the foregoing Resolution be communicated to His Majesty's Council.

"*WILLIAM CULLEN, Clerk.*"

On motion, the Bill intituled "An act for increasing the Revenue, by levying a Duty upon Molasses and Sugar"—was read a second and third time, and passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An act to authorise a further issue of Treasury Notes, and to continue an act intituled an act to revive and continue two certain acts therein mentioned"—was read a third time, and passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, ordered, that the Honorable *The Chief Justice* and the Honorable *T. H. Haviland* be a Committee on the part of His Majesty's Council, to co-operate with the Committee appointed by the House of Assembly to correspond with the Colony Agent.

On motion, ordered, that a copy of the foregoing Order be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, it was ordered, that a Message be sent down to the House of Assembly, acquainting them that His Majesty's Council had agreed to the joint Addressto His Majesty, as prepared by the Committees of both Houses—one praying the relinquishment of the Quit Rent, and the other on the subject of the Impolicy of opening the Ports of the West India Colonies to the Americans:

And had also appointed the Honorables *A. Lane* and *T. H. Haviland* a Committee, to join a committee of the House of Assembly to present the following Address to his Excellency the Lieut. Governor: