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A Message from His Majesty's Council by their Clerk :

"Ordered, on Motion, that an additional member of His Majesty's Council, be added to the Committee appointed, to inspect the Public Accounts, conjointly with a Committee of the House of Assembly, and accordingly the Honorable *Augustus Wallat Des Barres* was appointed.

"Council Chamber, *Aug. 14th 1812.*"

The House waited on his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with their Address, and having returned, the Speaker informed the House, that his Excellency had been pleased to make an answer, which was ordered to be entered on the Journals, and is as follows, viz.

"*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen, of the House of Assembly,*

66 **Y**OUR inviolable attachment to His Majesty's Royal person and family, and your loyal determination to support his most Gracious Government to the full extent of your abilities, is peculiarly gratifying to me; and I cheerfully concur with you, in the sentiments of gratitude universally excited by the favourable dispositions of the Lieutenant General and Vice Admiral Commanding, to afford, for the protection of this valuable Island, such aids, as in the conjuncture of affairs, is requisite, and may be practicable.

"I applaud your anxiety to be deserving of his Majesty's most Gracious approbation. I gratefully receive your spontaneous Assurances, seriously to apply your attention to the several, and in particular, to the very pressing and important objects, recommended to your immediate consideration. I shall fully rely on your liberal and patriotic exertions, for the necessary provisions, to defray the extraordinary expenses, which in the present critical circumstances must unavoidably be incurred, for placing this Colony, together with the landed and commercial concerns thereof, in a state of security against all hostile attempts."

Ordered, On Motion of Mr. Solicitor General, seconded by Dr. McAulay, That a Bill should be drawn and presented to the House for the Establishment of a paper currency in this Island, to a limited amount, to remedy the deficiency of cash; and that Mr. Solicitor General, Dr. McAulay, and Mr. Goff, be appointed a Committee to draw and present the same.

Adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, August 15, 1812.

THE House met according to Adjournment.—PRAYERS.

The order of the day being read, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House (Mr. Montgomery in the Chair) to take into consideration the subject of the Loyalist Bill, and after some time spent therein the Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Mr. Solicitor General, from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with an Address on the subject of the Meridional Line, reported, that his Excellency had been pleased to say that he would give such information to the House, as was in his power on the subject.