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OF THE

**HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,**

1881.

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# PROCLAMATION.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

SIR GEORGE PREVOST, BARONET,

*Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependences, &c. &c. &c.*

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**W**HEREAS the *General Assembly* of this Province stands prorogued to Thursday the 13th instant:—

*I have thought fit, further to prorogue the said General Assembly, until Thursday the 14th day of February next; then to meet for the Dispatch of Business; of which all persons concerned, are desired to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.*

GIVEN under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this 11th day of December, 1810, in the 51st year of His Majesty's Reign.

GEORGE PREVOST.

By His Excellency's Command,

SAM. HOOD GEORGE.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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# JOURNAL AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

OF

### The Province of Nova-Scotia.

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THURSDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, 1811.

**A** MESSAGE from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Secretary George:  
Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor commands this House to attend His Excellency, immediately, in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency in the Council Chamber;

And being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended His Excellency 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 Representatives,*

**I** HAVE again the satisfaction of meeting you in General Assembly, for the performance of those several duties which the interests of the Province, and the internal regulation of its Government, may require of us.

VARIOUS events in the political world, of high importance to our parent State, have taken place since the period of our last Assembly; and I grieve to add, it has recently pleased the Almighty, to impose the hand of affliction upon our beloved and revered King; in the restoration of whose health, and peace of mind, we have, all of us, so much at stake.

OUR apprehensions, however, on this most interesting subject, have been materially relieved by the latest advice from England, which affords the pleasing hope, that our venerable SOVEREIGN may be soon restored to his free and happy people. On

On examination, the aspect of political affairs in Europe may appear gloomy; but still, they must produce to Englishmen the consolatory reflection, that, in the midst of the general wreck of Kingdoms, the British Dominions stand firm, supported as they are (under the blessing of God) by the fortitude, perseverance and unanimity, of our fellow subjects.

At a moment, when the British Empire is shedding its best blood by sea and land, for the preservation of her liberty, her religion, and her laws, our Neighbours of this hemisphere, spectators of the unparalleled struggle we are making with the common foe, will not, we must hope, allow prejudices and passions to preponderate over political equity:—Let us trust, that their Rulers will consult the honor and rectitude of their own Government, with the general interests of mankind, and studiously preserve peace with a Country, from which America drew her very existence, and should now know, that in the defence of our glorious Sanctuary, Americans are not much less concerned than ourselves.

HIS MAJESTY'S Allies continue to claim our highest respect, and perfect confidence;—and it may well be remembered by Britons, without incurring the imputation of national vanity, that our brave Soldiers in Spain and Portugal, have, for more than a year past, kept at bay, and defeated a ferocious enemy, who has carried slavery and desolation over Continental Europe, bending the fairest domains under the most abject subjugation.

I TURN from these considerations to the pleasing contemplation of the increasing Trade and Fisheries of this Province; the extension and improvement of its Agriculture; the enlargement of its principal Town, and the cultivation of useful and ornamental sciences by our youth; all of which are unequivocal indications of a prosperous and rising Country.

As nothing tends more effectually to promote industry, and its ever beneficial consequences, than the construction of good roads for internal commerce; and as no stronger proof can be given of a flourishing State, than the multiplication of those means of communication, I look to your wisdom and public spirit for such supplies, as may be commensurate to that very important service; and I desire, you will give your particular attention to the Road Estimate for the ensuing Year, which I have directed to be laid before you; it being my wish that every inhabitant of this Province should know and feel, that his convenience and interest are attended to by the Government under which he lives.

THE prosperous state of this Province, requires that the different Branches of the Legislature,—the Courts of Justice, and the Public Offices, should be better accommodated than they are at present:—I therefore recommend that object to your consideration.

THE same increasing prosperity, renders a Provincial Prison an indispensable establishment, for the receiving and keeping at labour such refractory and disorderly persons as may be committed to it from all parts of the Province, for their reformation from vice, and for an example to deter others from immoral practices.

I FEEL it, also my duty, to call your attention to the many afflicting cases which present themselves in different parts of the Province, where persons with deranged minds (the most grievous of all maladies) greatly suffer from the want of that accommodation and medical aid, their wretched situations so particularly require; and which are only to be obtained in a public establishment;—I therefore recommend to you to follow the good example given by all civilized Governments, in making some provision for the care of persons labouring under such deplorable visitations.

Mr.

*Mr. SPEAKER and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:*—

THE experience I have had, of the liberality and wisdom with which you have evinced your readiness to grant to His MAJESTY such supplies as I have judged necessary for the support of His MAJESTY'S Provincial Government, and the improvement of the Province, affords me full confidence, that you will be animated by the like good disposition on the present occasion; and that you will feel the propriety of adhering to a system of Revenue, which, without being burthenfome to the subject, affords means to support and defend the King's Government, and to carry on such public works as the augmenting prosperity and population of the Country require.

*Gentlemen of the COUNCIL,*

*Gentlemen of the ASSEMBLY,*

I HAVE given directions to the proper Officers, to lay before you statements of the King's Provincial Revenue, with the accounts and vouchers of the expenditure of all Monies issued by my order from the Treasury, to be carefully examined and passed agreeably to Law.

It is a subject worthy of my congratulation, and one you cannot but view with great satisfaction, that the Revenue increases with the growth of the Province.

THAT proportion of it appropriated to the Establishment on *Sable Island*, has been attended with the most happy consequences, by rescuing the storm-beaten Mariner from the calamities attendant on Shipwreck.—The papers relating to this Institution, will accompany the others to be laid before you, that you may be enabled to judge of the expediency of promoting, to the fullest extent, a benevolence that must repay itself in the feelings of humanity.

On motion, *ordered*, that Mr. Robie, Mr. Ritchie and Mr. Archibald, be a Committee to prepare an Answer to His Excellency's Speech.

*Resolved*, That no Petition, of a private nature, be received by this House after Monday the 25th instant.

The Clerk having requested, through Mr. Speaker, the indulgence of the House, for leave to employ Mr. William Hill, to assist him in the performance of the duties of his office, during this Session, in consequence of his ill health: thereupon,

On motion, *resolved*, that Mr. William Hill be Clerk Assistant to this House, during the present Session.

Mr. Secretary George, by order of His Excellency, delivered to the House an Estimate for the Support of the Civil Establishment of His Majesty's Government; also, an Estimate for the Service of Roads and Bridges for the Year 1811.

*Ordered*, That the Estimates do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Then the House adjourned until Saturday, at Eleven of the Clock, the morrow being Fast Day.

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Saturday, 16th February, 1811.

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PRAYERS.

On motion, *resolved*, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. James, and Mr. Collins, be a Committee

mittee of this House, for the purpose of examining the Public Accounts, jointly with a Committee of his Majesty's Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

On motion, *ordered*, that Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Pyke, and Mr. Ritchie, be a Committee to examine into and report on the expiring Laws.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have appointed a Committee, to join a Committee of this House, for the purpose of examining the Public Accounts.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Robie reported from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in Answer to His Excellency's Speech, and presented an Address accordingly, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

TO HIS EXCELLENCY

SIR GEORGE PREVOST, BARONET,

*Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.*

THE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

*May it please your Excellency,*

**W**E, His Majesty's faithful Subjects, the Representatives of His Loyal People of Nova-Scotia, beg leave to thank your Excellency for your Speech at the opening of the present Sessions of the General Assembly.

Amongst the various events of high importance to our Parent State, which have taken place since the period of our last Assembly, we have grieved to number the afflictions of our revered and venerable KING ; but we rejoice that the latest advices from England, permit us to hope that the life and health of a Sovereign so beloved, may be granted to the prayers of his affectionate people.

Great-Britain, happy in the Constitution of her Government, and supported by the fortitude, perseverance and unanimity of our fellow-subjects may, under the blessing of God, look with confidence through the gloom; and from amidst the wrecks that surround her, to brighter prospects and to calmer days, still happier, if by her History and Example, all Nations shall be taught that freedom and loyalty are the only lasting foundations of Kingdoms.

We trust, with your Excellency, that our neighbours of this Hemisphere will know that the glorious exertions of the British Empire, in the present arduous struggle, for the preservation of our Religion and Laws, is of infinite importance to the general interests of mankind, and that their Rulers may at length feel that, by consulting the honour and rectitude of their own Government, they will most effectually promote the welfare of the people confided to their care.

We entertain the highest respect for his Majesty's brave Allies in Spain and Portugal; called forth by unprovoked invasion to defend their Country, they cannot but recollect its ancient renown, and the heroick deeds of their forefathers; animated by these

these recollections in contending for all that man holds valuable; and aided by British Arms, we may confidently expect that the desolating progress of a ferocious Enemy shall finally be stayed.

The contemplation of our Provincial prosperity must be highly pleasing to his Majesty's subjects in this happy Colony, and we are satisfied that the construction of good Roads of communication with the interior of the Province, is calculated to insure our future improvement; we will carefully attend to your Excellency's Estimate for that purpose, and cheerfully make grants adequate to so important a service, accommodating our appropriations to the various situations and wants of the country.

We assure your Excellency that we shall willingly make adequate provision for the support of his Majesty's Provincial Government, and for the various Services judged necessary for the improvement of the Province.

To the other subjects recommended by your Excellency for our consideration, we will give early and serious attention, and we shall be happy if by our assistance the wise and benevolent intentions of your Excellency shall be carried into effect.

We thank your Excellency for directing the Public Accounts to be laid before us at so early a period of the Sessions, and relying on your Excellency's disposition to promote the public good, we shall readily submit to your consideration such further measures as shall be deemed necessary to insure it.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to his Excellency by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Pyke, Mr. Crane, and Mr. Purdy, be a Committee to wait on his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to know his pleasure when he will be attended by the House.

Mr. Archibald moved, that the House do come to the Resolution following, viz. Whereas, the ruinous and decayed state of the Building, in which His Majesty's Council and House of Assembly sit, makes it inconvenient and unhealthful to hold the General Assembly therein any longer.

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to provide a more convenient place for that purpose: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion fourteen, against it four—so it passed in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Robie, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to confer with a Committee of His Majesty's Council, in order to ascertain if a more convenient place, for the sitting of the General Assembly, during the present Session, cannot be procured, and also upon what terms.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Robie and Mr. Ritchie, be a Committee for the above purpose.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolution to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A Petition of John Martin and others, Debtors, confined in the Jail at Halifax, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying relief.

A Petition of George Roy was presented by Mr. Robie, and read, praying an allowance of five per cent. on the expenditure of 190l. granted for the Service of Roads and Bridges.

A Petition of William Logan and others was presented by Mr. Robie, and read, praying the payment of 6l. 5s. as a Bounty for raising Wheat on new Lands.

*Ordered*,



*Ordered*, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until Monday, at Eleven of the Clock.

Monday, 18th February, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Mr. William Hill, appointed Clerk Assistant to this House, took the usual Oaths, and his Seat at the Clerk's Table.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the Sea Coast from Beaver Harbour to Mary Joseph was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying an aid to open a road from Beaver Harbour to Halifax.

A Petition of Theophilus Chamberlain and others was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying that the sum of 120l. be granted, for repairing the road leading from Creighton's Ferry, in Dartmouth, to Little Salmon River, in Preston.

*Ordered*, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

Mr. Pyke, Quarter-Master General of Militia, delivered to the House an Account of Disbursements, for the Carriage of Arms, between December, 1809, and the 31st January, 1811, amounting to £20 18 3. And, also, an Account of Arms and Accoutrements purchased for, and issued to, the Militia, between the 30th of August, 1808, and 2d of January, 1811, amounting to £12,684 2 7; and of the payments made on account of the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have appointed a Committee, to join a Committee of this House, on the subject of providing a convenient place for the sitting of the General Assembly, and the said Committee are ready to confer on the same immediately.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of this House do hold the Conference accordingly; and that Mr. Archibald be one of the said Committee, in the place of Mr. Robie.

And they went to the Conference.

And, being returned,

Mr. Haliburton reported that the Committee had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Mr. Pyke reported from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to know when he would be pleased to receive the Address of this House—that the Committee had, pursuant to order, waited on His Excellency accordingly; and that His Excellency was pleased to appoint To-morrow, at half past twelve of the Clock, at Government-House.

A Petition of S. V. Bayard, and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Wilmot, was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and read, praying a sum not less than 60l. to enable them to repair the Bridge across Annapolis River, near Dodge's Tavern.

A Petition of Elijah Phinney, and others, was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and read, praying an aid for improving the road leading from the Post Road to the Bay of Funday, in the upper district of Wilmot.

A Petition of Benjamin Dodge, and others, was presented by Mr. Shaw, and read, praying an aid for making a road from Chute's Cove, on the Bay of Funday, over the North Mountain, to the main road in Granville.

A Petition of Nathaniel Parker, was presented by Mr. Collins, and read, praying the sum of 26l. 12s. 8d. the amount of expenses incurred by him in exploring the best place for a public road to Liverpool from Nictaur settlement.

*Ordered,* That the petitions do lie on the table.

Mr. Pyke moved, that the committee be directed to hold a further conference with a committee of the Council on the subject of the conference held on Saturday, and to state that the House is desirous to obtain a more convenient place to sit in during the present Sessions, and to request a Committee of His Majesty's Council to join a Committee of this House to ascertain if a more convenient place can be procured for that purpose; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, 12—against it, 7. So it passed in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do request a conference with the Council, agreeably to the foregoing resolution.

On motion of Mr. Haliburton, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of His Excellency's speech.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pyke took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same, which report the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow at Eleven of the Clock.

Tuesday, 19th February, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of Miles M'Innes, and others, inhabitants of the middle Settlement of Musquodoboit, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying an aid to enable them to erect a Bridge over the river of Musquodoboit, between J. Crookshank's and Peter Ogilvie's residence; and also to improve the road from M'Donald's to Gay's River.

A Petition of Elijah Crane was presented by Mr. Crane, and read, praying a remuneration of expenses incurred by him as a Commissioner of Roads.

A Petition of Thomas Parker and others, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying an aid to open a road from the Meeting House, near to John Ellis's, to the road leading from Halifax to Truro, and also a road to the bridge at Gourley's.

*Ordered,* That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

Mr. Speaker and the House attended his Excellency with their Address, pursuant to the Resolution of Saturday last; and, being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported that His Excellency had been pleased to give this Answer :

*Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives,*

I AM thankful for your Address. Your expressions of reverential affection for our venerable Sovereign; of grateful loyalty to our Parent State; and of cheerful alacrity in the discharge of the Duty now before you, at the same time as they contain sentiments most honorable to yourselves and most gratifying to me, they also encourage the pleasing expectation that this Session will prove highly beneficial to the Province.

GEORGE PREVOST.

Mr. Pyke presented to the House an Account from Mr. Treasurer Wallace, of all Monies received by him into, and Payments by him made from, the Provincial Treasury, between the 31st October, 1809, and the 31st December, 1810.

*Ordered,* That the said Account do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. Pyke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate the manner of voting, assessing and collecting monies for the support of the Poor in the town of Halifax; and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill be read a second time.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Conference, as desired by this House, immediately in the Committee-Room of the Council.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered,* That the Managers do attend accordingly.

And they went to the Conference.

And, being returned,

Mr. Ritchie reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and that they had delivered to the Committee of the Council, a copy of the Instructions they had received from this House.

On motion of Mr. Robie, *resolved,* That a Committee be appointed to confer with a Committee of His Majesty's Council, on the subject of erecting a Provincial Building, for the accommodation of the General Assembly, &c.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Robie, Mr. Ritchie, and Mr. Lawton, be a Committee accordingly.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do request a conference with the Council, by Committee, agreeably to the foregoing resolution.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council agree to the conference, as desired by this House, immediately in the Committee-room of the Council.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered,* That the Managers do attend accordingly:

And

And they went to the Conference:

And, being returned;

Mr. Ritchie reported, that they had held a conference with the Committee of the Council, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to extend the provisions of an Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on new lands; and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Robie, pursuant to leave given; presented a Bill for the better securing the Liberty of the Subject, and for preventing illegal Imprisonments and Detainments of any persons within this Province; and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be read a second time.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of His Excellency's Speech.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pyke took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that they had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same; which report the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at Eleven of the Clock.

Wednesday, 20th February, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Bill for the better securing the liberty of the Subject, and for preventing of illegal imprisonments and detainments of any persons within the Province; also,

A Bill to extend the provisions of an Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on new Lands; and also,

A Bill to regulate the manner of voting, assessing and collecting Monies for the support of the Poor in the Town of Halifax, were severally read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell;

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a further conference, by Committee, on the subject matter of the last conference, held yesterday, immediately in the Committee Room of the Council.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by His Majesty's Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton be one of the Committee of this House for managing the conference, in the place of Mr. Lawton.

And

And the names of the Managers were called over,  
 And they went to the conference,  
 And being returned,

Mr. Robie reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and that the Committee of His Majesty's Council had delivered to the Managers a written paper which he read to the House, as follows:

With regard to the site of the building, the Council have only to observe, that as the Law now stands the building should be placed on the grounds of the old Government-House.

The materials, in the opinion of the Council, should be of stone or brick.

If the Assembly is desirous of having commissioners named in the Bill, and will be pleased to inform the Council who they wish should be appointed, if they should appear to be proper persons to execute the trust, no objection will be made by the Council, who are of opinion that no Member of either branch of the Legislature should be named.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of His Excellency's Speech.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pyke took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had come to a resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

*Resolved*, that it is the opinion of this Committee, that a Committee should be appointed to join a Committee of the Council, for the purpose of procuring plans of a Province Building to be laid before the House, and also Estimates of the expense of erecting the same of Stone or Brick.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee, to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the business to them referred, which the House agreed to.

The foregoing Resolution was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, that Mr. Robie, Mr. Lawson and Mr. Collins, be a Committee, agreeably to the Resolution of the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Resolution to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow at Eleven of the Clock.

Thursday, 21st February, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of George Newcomb, was presented by Mr. Wells, and read, praying the sum of Twelve Pounds, expended by him in building a Bridge over Partridge River

River on the road leading from Cumberland road towards Cobiquid.

A Petition of Marble Wood, was presented by Mr. Shey, and read, praying a remuneration for lodging Troops.

*Ordered*, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

On motion the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill for the better securing the Liberty of the Subject, and for prevention of illegal imprisonments and detentions of any persons within the Province; and that they had directed him to report the said Bill without any amendment. That they had gone through the Bill to extend the provisions of an Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on New Lands, and had made several amendments thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House. That the committee had deferred the consideration of the Bill to regulate the manner of voting, assessing, and collecting monies for the support of the Poor in the Town of Halifax, to the next Session, and he afterwards delivered the Bills, together with the amendments to the Bill before mentioned, in at the Clerk's Table.

The said Report, and amendments to the Bill as reported, were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question, severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, that the Bill for the better securing the Liberty of the Subject, and for prevention of illegal Imprisonments and Detentions of any persons within the Province, be engrossed.

*Ordered*, that the Bill to extend the provisions of an Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on New Lands, with the several amendments thereunto, be engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this House respecting a Province Building, and have appointed Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Morris, a Committee to join a Committee of this House for that purpose.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*, that Mr. Robie and Mr. Archibald, be of the Committee respecting the Province House, in the room of Mr. Lawton and Mr. Collins.

A petition of Nathaniel Brown was presented by Mr. Cunningham, and read, praying a remuneration for his services, in exploring the most eligible place to open a road from Dorchester, in the county of Sydney, to Miragomish.

A petition of William Sabatier, and sundry Merchants, and other Inhabitants of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Robie, and read, setting forth, that the petitioners are a Committee appointed at an annual meeting of the Merchants, and other Inhabitants of this town, to solicit His Majesty's Ministers on subjects which regard the Trade and Commercial Interests of the Community. That the experience of seven years, since the first establishment of these Committees, has evinced that essential advantages have resulted

resulted to the Province at large from this institution, but the petitioners, and the former Committees, have experienced very great difficulties in promoting their applications in England, the same being frequently neglected, or misrepresented by persons interested in opposing them. That the petitioners are thoroughly convinced that this has been principally occasioned by the want of an Agent on the spot, sufficiently acquainted with commercial affairs, to forward their applications at seasonable times—to answer such questions, and give such information, as may be required by His Majesty's Ministers and Parliament, and generally to watch over those plans which interested persons and communities frequently solicit to the disadvantage of these Northern Colonies. That the Petitioners therefore pray, that this Honorable Assembly will be pleased to appoint a person properly qualified, to act as a special Agent for this Province in England, and that he may be invested with full powers and authority, to communicate with His Majesty's Ministers upon those subjects which regard the commercial interests of this Province.

A Petition of William Sabatier, and sundry Merchants, and other inhabitants of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Robie, and read, setting forth, That in the year 1804, the Merchants, and other inhabitants of Halifax, finding the trade of this Province to be greatly injured and oppressed from various causes, chiefly of a Foreign nature, appointed a Committee, who were the predecessors of the Petitioners, to solicit His Majesty's Ministers for relief, and generally to watch over the interests of the trade and commercial concerns of this community, which Committee has been annually renewed until the month of November last, when the Petitioners were appointed the Committee of the said Merchants, to act on their behalf during the ensuing year. That the first and subsequent Committees solicited the various commercial interests of this Province, during several years, through the customary channels, and adopted those means of obtaining their purposes which it had been hitherto usual to employ, but without any adequate success. That at length the Petitioners were informed that the West-India Planters were accustomed, on particular occasions, to employ Special Agents in London to solicit their interests—being Gentlemen intimately versant in the object of their immediate pursuit. That the Petitioners adopted the plan recommended to them, and have the satisfaction to say, that their success has, in consequence, been answerable to their expectations. That, having thus employed Nathaniel Atcheson, Esquire, of London, in this service, and thereby received from his exertions most essential benefits towards promoting the general and particular commercial interests of this Province at large, and being in expectation, from the completion of his pending applications to His Majesty's Ministers, to receive further benefits, the Petitioners respectfully solicit this Honorable Assembly, that they will be pleased to grant such a sum of Money as may be deemed adequate to the remuneration of the said Nathaniel Atcheson, Esquire, for his past services.

*Ordered,* That the petitions do lie on the table.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at Eleven of the Clock.

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Friday, 22d February, 1811.

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PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill for the better securing the Liberty of the Subject, and for preventing

vention of illegal imprisonments and detainments of any persons within this Province; was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for the better securing the Liberty of the Subject, and for prevention of Illegal Imprisonments and Detainments of any Persons within this Province.

An engrossed Bill to extend the provisions of an Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on New Lands, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to extend the Provisions of an Act passed in the forty-ninth year of the reign of His present Majesty, entitled, An Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on New Lands.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Monday next, take into consideration His Excellency's Estimate for the service of Roads and Bridges.

A Petition of John Parker, and others, was presented by Mr. Haliburton, and read, praying an aid to enable them to open a road from Petit, on the south side of the Basin of Minas, to the main road leading through Newport, and to enable them to make the Bridge from the Petit Settlement to Kenetcook Road.

The Petition of Evan M'Phee, and others, was presented by Mr. Haliburton, and read, praying a sum of money to enable them to open a road from Nine Mile River, in Douglas, to the Cobequid Road.

*Ordered*, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow at Eleven of the Clock.

Saturday, 23d February, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of David M'Lellan, was presented by Mr. Robie, and read, praying a sum of money to enable him to complete a Mill for shelling and grinding Oats.

A Petition of James Gautier, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, praying relief in his forlorn and destitute condition.

A Petition of J. N. Bond, and others, was presented by Mr. Poole, and read, praying an aid from this House to enable them to open a communication between the waters lying in the Interior of the Township of Yarmouth and Cape Forchu Harbour, in addition to the sum of £500 subscribed by the Petitioners for the said purpose.

*Ordered*, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until Monday, at Eleven of the Clock.

Monday, 25th February, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of Andrew Belcher, of Halifax, Merchant, principal Agent of James Brymer,



Brymer, of London, Merchant, late Contractor for Victualling His Majesty's Ships of War on the North American Station, was presented by Mr. James, and read, praying for a drawback on articles imported for, and issued to, His Majesty's Ships on said Station, between the 11th May, 1796, and 28th July, 1810, amounting to 3,071l. 3s. 3<sup>d</sup>. and, thereupon,

Mr. James moved, That the said petition be referred to a Committee; which, being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

A Petition of William Salter was presented by Mr. Dimock, and read, praying a sum of 75l. expended by him in building a Bridge over Kenetcook River, in the County of Hants, over and above the sum of 100l. granted for that purpose.

A Petition of Stephen Harrington, and others, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, praying an aid to enable them to drain Cornwallis River.

*Ordered*, That the Petitions do lie on the Table,

The Order of the Day being read: thereupon,

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of His Excellency's Estimate for the Service of Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pyke took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had come to a resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

*Resolved*, that it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Sum of Fifteen Thousand Pounds should be granted for the Service of Roads and Bridges for the present year, to be appropriated in such way as shall hereafter be agreed upon by the Legislature.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee, to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the business to them referred, which the House agreed to.

The said Resolution was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolution to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Mr. Pyke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to prevent Boys, and others, from Coasting and Sliding down the Hills in the Streets of Halifax, and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Petition of Garret Miller was presented by Mr. Pyke, and read, praying a Drawback on Wines and Rum by him imported into, and exported from, this Province.

A Petition of Charles Prescott, and others, merchants, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying the sum of £89 8 6, as a Sunken Duty on Coffee by them exported from this Province to Great-Britain.

A Petition of Henry Taylor, merchant, was presented by Mr. Robie, and read, praying a Drawback on Molasses by him imported into this Province, for the purpose of distilling into Rum.

*Ordered*, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

Mr.

Mr. Haliburton moved that the House do now resolve itself into a committee of the whole House on the farther consideration of His Excellency's Speech; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereupon, there appeared, for the motion, eight, against it, ten; so it passed in the negative.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at twelve of the clock.

Tuesday, 26th February, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in amendment of an Act for preventing the multiplicity of Law Suits, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to enable creditors more easily to recover their debts from joint Partners; and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be read a second time.

A Bill to prevent Boys and others from coasting and sliding down the hills in the streets of Halifax, was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House; and, thereupon,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House on the consideration of the above Bill.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had gone through the Bill to them referred, and had made several amendments thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered the Bill, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's Table.

The said amendments were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

A Petition of Arunah Rathbun, commissioner of roads, was presented by Mr. Crane, and read, praying the sum of 130l. in addition to 81l. already granted, to enable the inhabitants of the townships of Horton and Falmouth to build a bridge over the Half-way River, near Mount Denison.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. James, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in further amendment of an Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow at Eleven of the Clock.

Wednesday,

Wednesday, 27th February, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Bill, in amendment of an Act for preventing the multiplicity of Law Suits ; also,  
A Bill to enable creditors more easily to recover their Debts from Joint Partners ;  
and, also,

A Bill, in farther amendment of an Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors ; were  
severally read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be committed to a committee of the whole House.

Mr. Lawfen reported from the committee appointed to join a committee of His Majesty's Council to examine the Public Accounts ; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

*Treasurer of the Province.*

His Accounts to 31st December last have been received, and are correct ; there appears a balance, due by him, of £3798 7 5  
He is likewise accountable for bonds transmitted him  
by the Collector of Liverpool, £82.9.0    £130 12 6  
Ditto of Pictou, £171.10.0    178 19 0    309 11 6

*Collectors of Impost and Excise :*

*Halifax.*

His Accounts to the 31st December have been received, and are correct ; there appears to be a balance of bonds in his hands for collection, 25,668 14 5  
and for appropriated Wine Duty, 1,057 13 0

Balance of bonds in the hands of the Attorney General, £26,726 7 5  
138 9 9

26,864 17 2

*Lunenburg.*

His Accounts to 31st December, have been received ; there appears an error in bringing forward the amount of Bonds on hand, 1st October, 1809, of £8 4 10, short credited.

The Bonds on hand are stated to be £422 13 8

And Cash, including 120l. received by the Treasurer } 202 1 1  
the 24th January last

624 14 9

*Liverpool.*

An Account, and Quarterly Returns, have been received, from which it appears that Duties have been secured to 31st December last, amounting to 1,826l. 13s. 11d., from a statement of the Collector's account, made by the committee the last Sessions, referring to the Treasurer's account, and information obtained from the Clerk of the Commissioners of the Revenue, we have been enabled to make a statement of his account to the 31st December last (and

which is lodged in the Auditor's Office), by which it appears he is accountable for 1,574l. 25s. in which is included a sum secured on the appropriated duty for payment of arms, amounting to 394l. 4s. leaves a balance in favor of the Province of

£1,180 11 0

*Shelburne.*

The Accounts to 31st December have been received, and are correct.

Balance due by him

179 1 0

*Yarmouth.*

A Return has been received of Duties secured to 1st April last, amounting to

£354 6 11

By the report of the last Session he is likewise

accountable for

207 15 8

562 2 7

*Annapolis.*

The balance, due by the former Collector, is not yet paid,—amount No payments have been received from the estate of the late Robert Dickson, which therefore continues indebted. The balance formerly reported

101 5 2

The present Collector's accounts to 31st December have been received, and are correct; the balance for which he is accountable being

485 7 3

*Cumberland.*

Returns of Duties secured to 1st March, 1809, have been received, and the sum arising thereon has been remitted to the Treasurer and accounted for by him

*Colchester.*

No returns nor remittances.

*Sydney.*

No returns nor remittances.

*King's County.*

No returns nor remittances.

*Hants.*

The accounts to 31st December have been received, and are correct; it appears he had paid into the Treasury the whole amount of Duties subsequent to 31st December

8 4 11

*Picou.*

The accounts to October, 1810, have been received, and are correct; he is accountable for

464 16 8

## LIGHT-HOUSES.

*Halifax.*

The Collector's accounts to 31st December, have been received, and are correct; the amount paid the Treasurer is 772l. 16s.

*Shelburne.*

Returns have been received to 31st December, there remains to be remitted

31 0 8

*Liverpool.*

Returns to 1st October, 1810, are correct; the amount remitted to the Treasury £21 18 10

*Yarmouth.*

Returns to 1st April, have been received, and the amount paid the Treasury £12 18 4

*Briar Island.*

A return has been made by the Collector, and the amount paid the Treasury £39 2 3

The Treasurer's account to the 31st December, has been received, and is correct, there appears a balance due him of £168 10 2

And also to J. F. Hughes, for lighting Briar Island Light House £ 47 17 8 £216 7 10

*Isle of Sable.*

The Commfioner's Accounts to the 31st December, have been received and are correct; there is a balance remaining in his hands of £40 6 9½

Committe-Room, Halifax, 27th February, 1844.

ANDREW BELCHER, }  
CHARLES HILL, } Committee of Council

WILLIAM LAWSON, }  
EDWARD JAMES, } Committee of the  
GEORGE COLLINS, } House of Assembly

Dr. The Province of NOVA-SCOTIA,

Contra

Cr.

1810.

December 31. To the following Sums appropriated, and not yet drawn from the Treasury:

Roads and Bridges	£816 15 2
Balance of Emigrant Vote	7 14 7
Stone Magazine for Bowdler's Garrison of Cranberry	400 0 0
Alteration and Repairs of Old Govt. House	149 14 8
For a Plan of the Province	30 0 0
For a Settlement on the West-Branch of St. Mary's River	30 0 0
Balance of Vote for conveying Alms to the different parts of the Province	110 0 0
For the Purchase of Stoves	30 0 0
For completing the Statutes at Large	50 0 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1804 4 5</b>
Due the Treasurer on Light-House Account	168 10 2
Due I. F. Hughes, Commissioner for Lighting Briar Island	47 17 8
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2020 12 3</b>
To Balance	24577 15 2
<b>Total</b>	<b>£26598 7 5</b>

Committee Room, Halifax, 27th February, 1811,  
 ANDREW BELCHER, } Committee of  
 CHARLES HILL, } Council.

1810.

December 31. By Balance of the Treasurer's Account

By Securities in the Hands of the Collector of Impost and Excise, Halifax,	£26864 17 2	£3798 7 5
Deduct for probable Drawbacks	6864 17 2	20000 0 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£20000 0 0</b>	
By Balance unremitted, and Securities in the Hands of Out-Port Collectors	£3915 14 10	
Deduct for probable Drawbacks	1115 14 10	2800 0 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2800 0 0</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£26598 7 5</b>	

WILLIAM LAWSON, } Committee  
 EDWARD JAMES, } of the  
 GEORGE COLLINS, } House of Assembly.

Mr. Lawson also delivered to the House a Statement of the Appropriated Duty for the Payment of Militia Arms, which was read, and is as follows:

Dr. Appropriated Duty for the Payment of Militia Arms,

Contra, Cr.

1810.

December 31, To Amount of Cost of Arms and Accoutrements issued  
per Account rendered by the Quarter-Master General } £12684 2 7

1810.

December 31, By Amount paid into the Treasury by different Col-  
lectors to this Date } £5787 14 10

By Amount of Bonds in the hands of } £332 13 9  
the Collector of Halifax }  
Deduct for probable Drawbacks } 532 13 0

2800 0 0

By Do. Do. in the hands of Out-Port  
Collectors, viz. }  
Lunenburg ✓ £369 19 4  
Liverpool ✓ 394 4 0  
Shelburne ✓ 30 2 4  
Yarmouth ✓ 146 1 0  
Annapolis ✓ 17 4 1  
Hants ✓ 37 6 8

Deduct for probable Drawbacks } £1148 0 8

800 0 0

By Balance } £9387 14 10  
3396 7 9

£12684 2 7

Committee-Rooms, Halifax, 27th February, 1811,

ANDREW BELCHER, } Committee of  
CHARLES HILL, } Council.

WILLIAM LAWSON, } Committee of the House of Assembly.  
EDWARD JAMES, }  
GEORGE COLLINS, }

Mr. Lawton also delivered to the House an abstract of Road and Bridge Votes remaining unpaid the 31st December, 1810, which was read, and is as follows:—

Voted.

1803.—Road from Ramfleg to Tatmagouche	£.15	0	0
Altering Road at Round Hill, Amnapolis	25	0	0
1805.—Cariabou Harbor to Halifax Road	12	0	0
Sackville Bridge	99	2	9
Clearing Shubenacadie River	46	5	9
1808.—Road from Pernette's Mill to Petite Riviere	✓50	0	0
From Broad Cove Road to the boundary line of Lunenburg County	✓50	0	0
Road from Windsor to Chester	35	0	0
1809.—Hammond Plain to Lunenburg	250	0	0
Cole Harbor to Eastern Battery	25	0	0
Bridge over Half-Way River, near Mount Denfon	✓81	0	0
Balance of 100l. from Chester to Windsor	✓33	6	8
Bridge over Meander River from Newport to Halifax	50	0	0
From Settlement on Briar Island to the Light House on said Island	45	0	0
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	£.816	15	2

*Ordered*, That the said Report, Statement, and Abstract, do lie on the Table to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Petition of Jacob Withrow, Jun. and others, Inhabitants of Rawdon, was presented by Mr. Haliburton, and read, praying an aid to enable them to open a Road from David Withrow's towards Richard Whitteer's Farm, in said Township.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. Pyke presented to the House an Account from the Commissioners of the Public Markets in Halifax, between 10th April, 1810, and 22d February, 1811, amounting to 118l. 10s.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

An engrossed Bill to prevent Boys, and others, from Coasting and Sliding down the Hills in the Streets of Halifax, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to prevent Boys and others from Coasting and Sliding down the Hills in the Streets of Halifax.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a Conference, by Committee, on the subject of a resolution of this House, for granting the sum of 15,000l. for the Service of Roads and Bridges.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by His Majesty's Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*,



*Ordered,* That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Archibald, and Mr. Haliburton do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Ritchie reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a further conference, by committee, on the subject matter of the last conference.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved,* That this House doth agree to the conference, as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered,* That the Managers, who managed the last conference, do manage this conference.

And the names of the Managers were called over.

And they went to the Conference.

And, being returned,

Mr. Ritchie reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to the Resolution of this House for granting the sum of £15,000, for the service of Roads and Bridges.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill in amendment of an Act for preventing the multiplicity of Law Suits. And also the Bill in further amendment of an Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, and the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills severally without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee, to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the Bills to them referred, which Report the House agreed to.

*Ordered,* That the Bills be engrossed.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of His Excellency's Estimate for the Service of Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the

the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at Eleven of the Clock

Thursday, 28th February, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Ritchie moved that a select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the situation of the several Counties and Districts throughout the Province with respect to the state of the Roads and Bridges therein, and that they do report to the House the several sums that shall in their opinion appear requisite for the improvement of the same; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen, against it, eight: so it passed in the affirmative, and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Crane, Mr. Collins, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Archibald, Mr. James, Mr. Poole, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Baker, Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Robie, and Mr. Marsters, be a Committee for the above purpose.

On motion, the House adjourned until three of the clock, P. M.

The House met agreeably to adjournment.

On motion the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that they had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same, which report the House agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *ordered*, that the Bill to enable creditors more easily to recover their Debts from Joint Partners, be referred to Mr. Archibald, Mr. Robie, and Mr. Haliburton, who are to examine into the subject matter thereof, and report thereon to the House.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent Boys, and others, from Coasting and Sliding down the Hills in the Streets of Halifax, with several amendments; and also, to

The Bill, entitled, An Act to extend the provisions of an Act, passed in the forty ninth year of the Reign of His present Majesty, entitled, An Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on New Lands; with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments proposed by the Council to the Bills above mentioned, and the said amendments were respectively

read

read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Bills to the Council and acquaint them that the House hath agreed to the several amendments made by them to the same.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at eleven of the clock.

Friday, 1st March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to establish Grammar Schools in several Counties and Districts of this Province; and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Pyke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in further addition to the Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within the Province to maintain their Poor; and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be read a second time.

An engrossed Bill in amendment of the Act for preventing the multiplicity of Law Suits, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, entitled, An Act for preventing the multiplicity of Law Suits.

An engrossed Bill in further amendment of the Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act in further addition to, and amendment of, an Act made and passed in the third and fourth years of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Mr. Crane reported from the select committee on the subject of Roads and Bridges, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:

That the Committee have had under their consideration the subject to them referred, and are of opinion that the undermentioned sums should be appropriated to the several Counties and Districts, in the following proportions, viz:

Halifax County,	£.2,710
District of Colchester,	1,000
----- Pidou,	1,000
Sydney,	1,050
Hants,	1,495
King's County,	1,000
Cumberland,	1,000
Queen's	1,000
Annapolis,	1,595
Shelburne,	1,050
Lunenburg,	800

Total £.13,700

And

And thereupon, Mr. Dimock moved, that the said report be not received by the House, which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, three ; against it, nineteen.

For the Motion,

Mr. SHEY,  
Mr. HALIBURTON  
Mr. DIMOCK

Against the Motion,

Mr. MORTON	Mr. SHAW	Mr. RITCHIE
Mr. DEWOLF	Mr. PURDY	Mr. PYKE
Mr. ROBIE	Mr. POOL	Mr. LAWSON
Mr. COLLINS	Mr. CRANE	Mr. BAKER
Mr. MARSTERS	Mr. PARKER	Mr. WARWICK
Mr. JAMES	Mr. CUNNINGHAM	
Mr. WELLS	Mr. ARCHIBALD	

So it passed in the negative.

The report of the Committee was, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Report, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Estimate for Roads and Bridges, and also the several Petitions now before the House, praying for Monies for the said Service, be referred to the Committee of Supply, and thereupon,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of a Supply to be granted for the support of His Majesty's Government.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pool took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply, which Report the House agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Thursday the 7th instant, take into consideration the several private petitions now before the House.

On motion of Mr. Robie, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to examine into and report upon the propriety of altering the road leading from M'Alpin's to Halifax ; such alteration to commence at Mr. M'Alpin's, and the road to proceed through the valley, and come out to the old road, near Mr. Liddell's farm ; also to ascertain the distance from M'Alpin's as the road now goes, to the place where the new road shall join it, and the distance of the new road, and also to enquire into the value of the land to be procured for that purpose, and the probable expense of the alteration.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Shey, Mr. Cunningham, and Mr. Morton, be a Committee accordingly.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow at Eleven of the Clock.

Saturday, 2d March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to establish Grammar Schools in several Counties and Districts of this Province ; and also,

A Bill in further addition to the Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within the Province to maintain their Poor ; were severally read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be committed to a committee of the whole House.

Mr.

Mr. Pyke, pursuant to leave given; presented a Bill in further addition to the several Acts for the choice of Town Officers, and regulating of Townships; and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

Pursuant to leave given, a petition of Messrs. Bonnell & Budd was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and the same was read, praying for a drawback of the Duties on certain articles imported from the West Indies.

Pursuant to leave given, a petition of Phineas Lovett, jun. Esq. was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and the same was read, praying for a drawback of the Duties on certain articles imported from the West Indies, purchased with the produce of this Province.

A Petition of James Foreman, and others, Magistrates of the County of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Pyke, and read, setting forth, That in the year of our Lord 1794, a grant was made by Sir John Wentworth, then Lieutenant-Governor of this Province, to Alexander Brymer, Esquire, a Member of His Majesty's Council for the Province of Nova-Scotia; Charles Morris, Esquire, Surveyor-General, and to the Surveyor-General of said Province for the time being; Sampson S. Blowers, Esquire, Attorney-General, and to the Attorney-General of the Province for the time being; James M. Freke Bulkeley, Esquire, Secretary, and to the Secretary of the Province for the time being; Lawrence Hartshorne, Esquire, and John Newton, Esquire, (Custos Rotulorum for the County of Halifax), and the Custos Rotulorum for the said County for the time being, and to the Clerks of the Market for the Town of Halifax for the time being—of the following grounds in the Town of Halifax, viz: All those certain pieces and parcels of land, situate, lying, and being, in Halifax aforesaid, bounded, known, and described, as follows, that is to say:—All that certain piece or parcel of land, lying in front of the Government-House, and extending from Hollis-Street, easterly to Bedford Row, and abutting northerly on lands of Messrs. Cochran, and southerly on land late the property of William Allan, deceased. Also, all that piece or parcel of vacant land between Bedford-Row and Water-street, bounded on the north by George-street, on the south by the Wood-Yard, including the ground, on which the Weigling-House now stands, and the shed called the Green-Market; on the west by Bedford-Row, and on the east by Water-street. Also, all that certain triangular piece of ground lying on the east side of the Market-House, bounded thereby on the west, on the east by Water-street, on the south by George-street. Also, all that piece or parcel of land, with the water in front thereof, known and used as the Market-Slip or Landing; bounded westerly by George-street, southerly by the Water-Lot in the occupation of Messrs. Cochran, northerly by the Water-Lot lately granted Beamish and Peeples, and extending easterly into the harbour of Halifax. Also, all that certain piece or parcel of land on which the Fish-Market now stands, with the way or passage thereto, as the same is described and reserved in the grant and plan thereof lately made and given to Thomas Cochran, and others, by the late Lieutenant-Governor John Parr, deceased, in special trust to, and for, the use and benefit of the inhabitants of the said town of Halifax aforesaid. Also, that in the year 1797, the said Lieutenant-Governor, by Grant, duly executed, conveyed to Sampson Salter Blowers, and Lawrence Hartshorne, Esquires, the following Lot of Land, in the said Town, described as follows, viz: All that certain Lot of Ground on which they the said Sampson Salter Blowers, and Lawrence Hartshorne, Esquires, have lately erected and built a new Building for a Fish-Market, adjoining the

the King's Wharf, so called, in Halifax, in the Province of Nova-Scotia, aforesaid, and including an Alley or Lane over part of the said Wharf, which Lot of Land is situate, lying, and being, to the eastward of the King's Wharf aforesaid, and to the southward of the former Fish Market, in special trust and on certain conditions for the like use and benefit of the inhabitants of the Town of Halifax aforesaid, as by copies of the said Grants, hereunto annexed, will more fully appear. And that the Meat Market, which was lately erected by the Commissioners appointed under a Law of this Province, passed in the 39th year of His Majesty's Reign, stands upon the said Lands so granted in trust for the use of the inhabitants of the said Town, and the rents arising from the said Building, and also from the Fish Market, which is likewise erected upon a part of the said Lands, so granted as aforesaid, are disposed of and appropriated by the same Statute: The Petitioners therefore most humbly request, that the Honorable the Assembly would consider the title and claim of the inhabitants of the said Town, founded upon the said Grants, and take such proceeding thereon that the inhabitants of the said Town may have the use and benefit of the said Lands so granted to them as aforesaid.

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions do lie on the Table.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act in further addition to, and amendment of, an Act made and passed in the third and fourth years of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent Boys, and others, from Coasting and Sliding down the Hills in the Streets of Halifax; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend the provisions of an Act, passed in the forty ninth year of the Reign of His present Majesty, entitled, An Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on New Lands; severally, without any amendment.

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, entitled, An Act for preventing the multiplicity of Law Suits.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to establish Grammar Schools in several Counties and Districts of this Province; and also the Bill in further addition to the Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within this Province to maintain their Poor; and had made several amendments thereunto respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered the Bills, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's Table.

The said amendments were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bills, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. Secretary George acquainted the House that he had several Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to this House, signed by His Excellency; and that he had received His Excellency's commands to lay before the House.

A Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Cochrane, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, dated Gaudaloupe, 24th February, 1810. Also,

A Copy of a Letter from Judge Monk to His Excellency, dated Halifax, 28th February, 1811. Also,

A Memorial of Michael Wallace, Esq. Treasurer of the Province, to His Excellency dated Halifax, 15th February, 1811. Also,

A Petition of John H. Flieger, Weigher and Gauger for the Port of Halifax, to His Excellency, dated Halifax, 8th February, 1811. Also,

An Estimate of Fees chargeable on taking out a Grant of Confirmation to the settlers in the Township of Douglafs, amounting to 411l. 6s. 4d. And, also,

An Estimate of Fees chargeable on a Grant of Confirmation to the settlers of the Philadelphia Grant, amounting to 298l. 16s.

And he presented the said Messages, numbered from one to four, together with the said Papers to the House.

And the said Messages were severally read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and are as follows :

*Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :—*

I RECOMMEND to your consideration, the Memorial accompanying this Message, which has been presented to me by the Honorable the Treasurer of the Province.

I likewise recommend to your consideration the Memorial of the Gauger and Weigher for the port of Halifax, which has also been presented to me. It is of importance the Officers of Government should be paid a reasonable and just compensation proportionate to the integrity and ability evinced by them in their respective stations. I therefore call upon you to examine the facts stated in these Memorials, and to make provision accordingly.

GEORGE PREVOST.

*Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :—*

I FEEL it my Duty, by Message, to call your attention to the situation of a great number of useful Settlers, Inhabitants of that part of the Province, which at present is known by the name of the Philadelphia Grant, and also the inhabitants of the Township of Douglafs.

Previous to my appointment by His Majesty to the Government of the Province, it appears the attention of this Government was called, at the instance of the House of Assembly, to the situation of the people settled in the foregoing Townships, and measures, as I am given to understand, had been pursued for the purpose of reinvesting the Crown with the title to the lands in those Townships, for the purpose of enabling His Majesty, by new Grants, to make good titles of a certain part of those lands to the persons who had actually settled and improved the same, and to put it in the power of His Majesty to promote the general settlement of the Province, by assigning and granting the remainder to actual and efficient settlers; to effect which, I find that the sum of three hundred and fifty pounds had been granted to enable certain Commissioners to proceed in this business.

It has been reported to me that the Commissioners have obtained the escheat of the Townships

Townships in question, which measure was accomplished upon the faith of Government being pledged to the persons actually settled, that good titles should be made to them of such part of the lands as they were respectively in possession of by improvement, together with a proper addition of wilderness land to make to each a convenient Farm. The Commissioners have caused actual surveys to be made of both Townships, and have examined the titles and situation of the persons living within the same, and they have surveyed and laid off to each, according to their respective claims, their improvements, with a proper proportion of Wilderness Land, and nothing now remains but to pass Grants from the Crown in due form, to perfect the titles of the several Inhabitants, agreeably to the original promise made to them.

I have ordered accounts for the expenditure of the money voted for that service to be laid before you, together with an estimate of the further sum necessary to pay for expenses already incurred to complete and perfect the business, for the accomplishment of which I find the poor people interested extremely anxious.

Without taking into my contemplation the motives which originally led to the steps already taken in this transaction, I feel it a duty, as far as depends on me, to see that the engagements which His Majesty's Government entered into with these poor people should be complied with. I therefore request that you will take the same into consideration, and grant to the Commissioners, who have been employed in this service, the monies necessary to enable them to defray the expense of Surveys, and to pass the Grants necessary to give full effect to the promises, on which these His Majesty's Subjects have depended for the confirmation and security of their titles.

GEORGE PREVOST.

*Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :—*

THE Magistrates of Queen's County having reported to me that a person was committed to the County Jail, charged with Murder, which crime, with some other offences perpetrated within that County, rendered it expedient I should issue a Commission of Oyer and Terminer and Jail Delivery for Queen's County.

That Commission was directed to Mr. Assistant Justice Monk, and the Judge having requested a professional Gentleman might accompany him on behalf of the Crown to conduct the prosecutions, accordingly a person was sent (as neither the Attorney or Solicitor-General could attend, both being at that moment engaged on public service) who it appears conducted the business correctly, and to the satisfaction of the Judge.

The provision made to pay the travelling charges of a Judge, extends only to the regular Circuits, and none existing to defray those of the professional character who may be sent to conduct Crown prosecutions, in remote parts of the Province, I therefore recommend you will take the subject into consideration and provide accordingly.

GEORGE PREVOST.

*Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :—*

HAVING transmitted to the Honorable Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Cochrane, the Address you presented to me during the last Session, respecting the impress on shore at Pictou of Edward M'Cray and Matthew Allen, both natives of this Province, accompanied by a request from me to the Admiral for their liberation. I have now the satisfaction of communicating to you, Sir Alexander Cochrane's reply thereto.

GEORGE PREVOST.

Mr.



Mr. Speaker also read the copy of Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Cochrane's Letter to his Excellency, which was as follows :

*Pompée, Basseterre, Guadeloupe, Feby. 24th, 1810.*

SIR.

I had the honor to receive your Excellency's Letter, with the copy of the Resolution of the House of Assembly, respecting two men that had been carried from Halifax in the Thetis frigate. From what passed on the subject before I left Halifax, subsequent to the departure of the Thetis, I determined to order the Captain of that Ship to discharge them on my return to my Command, and I did so; but Captain Miller acquainted me that both those men swam from the Thetis in English Harbour, Antigua, and it is likely they have 'ere this found their way back to Nova-Scotia. I have the honour to be, &c. &c. &c.

ALEXR. COCHRANE.

The several other papers as delivered to the House by the Secretary, were read by the Clerk, and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Messages and Papers do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

On motion, *resolved*, That this House will, on Monday next, take into consideration the several Messages from His Excellency.

Then the House adjourned until Monday, at eleven of the clock.

Monday, 4th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the Day being read,

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Message of His Excellency, on the subject of the Douglafs and Philadelphia Grants, together with the Estimates that accompanied the same; and thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait on his Excellency, to request that his Excellency would be pleased to direct the accounts of the expenditure of the monies heretofore granted to the Commissioners for escheating the Philadelphia and Douglafs Grants to be laid before the House, with a list of the names of the persons to be included in the new Grants.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Pyke, Mr. Crane, and Mr. Purdy, be a Committee for the above purpose.

The Message from his Excellency on the subject of the memorial of Michael Wallace, and the petition of J. H. Fliegner; also, the Message from his Excellency on the subject of Judge Monk's Letter, &c. were severally read; and thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, *resolved*, that the said Messages, and Papers relating thereto, be referred to the Committee of Supply, and thereupon,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pool took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had come to several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

*Resolved*, that it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of twenty-four pounds ten shillings, should be allowed and paid to George Henry Monk, Esq; one of the Assistant Justices of His Majesty's Supreme Court, for his travelling expences for twenty one days, in executing a commission of Oyer and Terminer for the County of Queen's County, in the month of September last.

*Resolved*, that it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of five hundred pounds, should be allowed and paid to the Treasurer of the Province, for his Salary, and as Comptroller and Auditor of Public Accounts, and in lieu of Office Rent, Clerks, and all other contingent expences for the present.

*Resolved*, that it is the opinion of this committee, that the Petition of J. H. Fliegner, should be referred to a committee to be appointed by the House, for the purpose of examining into the merits of the same, and to report their opinion thereon to the House.

The chairman also acquainted the House that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply, which the House agreed to.

The said Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolutions for granting Money to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

*Ordered*, that the Petition of J. H. Fliegner, be referred to Mr. Collins, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. James; agreeably to the foregoing Resolution of the committee of Supply.

Mr. Ritchie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to alter and continue an Act to encourage the Fisheries of the Province; and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Bill in further addition to the several Acts for the choice of Town Officers, and regulating of Townships; was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pool took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the following sums should be granted and applied for the service of roads and bridges.

Four hundred pounds for the road from Sackville to Jacob Pence's.

Sixty-five pounds for the road from the Windsor Road to Fletcher's, on the road to Colchester.

Three hundred pounds for the road from Fletcher's to Canty's, on the Colchester Road.

Four hundred and fifty pounds for the road from Canty's to Hall's, on the Colchester Road.

One hundred and twenty-five pounds for the road from Hall's to Keys, on the road to Colchester.

One hundred and twenty-five pounds for the road from Key's to Gay's River, on the road to Colchester.

Seventy pounds for the road to commence between Hall's and Keys, to the middle Musquodoboit, and to aid the Inhabitants to build a Bridge between Crookthank's and Ogilvie's.

Sixty pounds for the road from Prospect to Margaret's Bay road.

Thirty pounds for the road from Sambro to Harriet Field road.

One hundred pounds for the road from Ketch Harbour to Spryfield.

Twenty-five pounds for the road from Chizencook to the Lower Musquodoboit.

Twenty-five pounds for the road from Cole Harbour to Lawrence Town.

Fifty pounds for the road from Cole Harbour by Cow Bay to the Eastern Battery.

Two hundred pounds for the road from the Nine Mile River to Sackville.

Fifty pounds for the road from the Meeting House near Ellis's, on the Shubenacadie, to the main road leading to Halifax.

One hundred pounds for the road from Halifax to the Musquodoboit Settlement.

Eighty pounds for the old road leading from the Ferry at Dartmouth to Preston.

One hundred and fifty pounds for the road from Harriet Field road near M'Intosh's, to St. Margaret's Bay.

Sixty-five pounds for the road from Lower Musquodoboit, by Porter's Lake, to Salmon River.

One hundred and fifty pounds for the road and bridges, from Gay's River to Truro.

Seventy-five pounds for the road from Dickie's on the Halifax road, to middle Sewack.

One hundred and sixty pounds for the road from Coxe's in Truro, to middle Sewack.

Seventy-five pounds for the road from middle to upper Sewack.

Eighty pounds for the road from upper Sewack to Musquodoboit.

One hundred and seventy-five pounds for the road from Onslow to Tatmagouthe.

Thirty pounds for the road leading to Cumberland, between William Hamilton's and the old School House in Onslow.

Twenty pounds to assist the Inhabitants of Onslow to open a road from David M'Collum's, junior, to the Settlement up the North River.

Thirty-five pounds for the road from Londonderry to Ramsheg.

Thirty-five pounds for the road from Economy to Bass River.

Twenty-five pounds for the road from the Old Barns to Shubenacadie.

Fifty pounds to repair the Salmon River bridge in Truro.

Fifty pounds for the road and bridges from Londonderry to the bounds of Cumberland County.

Thirty pounds for the road from the Meeting House near Ellis's, on the Shubenacadie River, to the Halifax road at Gourley's.

Forty pounds for the road leading from the Brookfield Settlement to the Halifax road.

One hundred and twenty-five pounds for the road from the district line of Pictou, to the Saw Mill Bridge near the Harbour of Pictou.

Two hundred pounds for the road and bridges from the district line of Pictou, to the Court House hill in Truro.

One hundred pounds for the road from Musquodoboit to the East branch of St. Mary's River.

Eighty pounds for the road from the West to the Middle River, Pictou.

Fifty pounds for the road from middle to the East River of Pictou.

Fifty pounds for the road from the East River of Pictou, to Sutherland's, on the road leading to Antigonishe.

Fifty pounds for the road from Sutherland's to the East River of Merigomish, on the road leading to Antigonishe.

Fifty pounds for the road from the East River of Miragomish to the line of Sydney County.

Twenty-five pounds to assist the Inhabitants of the Gulf to erect a Bridge over Bayley's Brook, so called.

Twenty pounds to assist the Inhabitants of the Gulf to build a Bridge over the Mill Brook, so called.

Twenty-five pounds for the new road from Gordon's, on the East River of Miragomish, to the bounds of Sydney County.

Fifty pounds for the road from the East River of Pictou, to the East River of St. Mary's.

One hundred pounds for the road from Pictou to the River John.

Forty-five pounds to assist the Inhabitants of the East Branch of the East River of Pictou to erect a Bridge, on the said Branch, upon the main road leading across said Branch to the West Branch and Upper Settlement of the Middle River of Pictou.

One hundred pounds for the road from the Eastern Bounds of Pictou to the Indian Gardens at Antigonishe.

Two hundred pounds for the road from the Indian Gardens to the head of Milford Haven.

One hundred and fifty pounds for the road from Dorchester to the East Branch of St. Mary's River.

One hundred pounds for the road from the Eastern Bounds of Pictou to the Chapel in Dorchester—the new road.

Fifty pounds for the road from Dorchester, to the head of Traccadie, on the Guyborough road, and for building a Bridge over Brufar's Creek in Pomquet.

One hundred and fifty pounds for the road from Manchester to the East Branch of St. Mary's River.

Two hundred and fifty pounds to aid the Inhabitants of St. Mary's River, to improve the road from the Settlement at the head of the Tide to the main road, and for building a bridge on the said road.

Fifty pounds for the road from Boylston to the Gut of Canfo.

Three hundred pounds for the roads and bridges from the bounds of Londonderry to Amherst.

One hundred and eighty pounds for the roads and bridges from Napan to the line of King's County.

Sixty pounds for the roads and bridges from Macan to the River Phillip.

One hundred pounds for the road from Gabriel Purdy's to Ramfheg Harbour.

Thirty pounds to repair the road and bridges from Wentworth Settlement to Folly Lake.

Forty pounds to repair the road and bridges from the South side of Pugwash Harbour to the head of the Tide at Ramfheg, near John Angevine's.

Eighty pounds for the road and bridges from the Settlement on Black River, by Richard Thomson's and Andrew Fushner's, to the Ferry at the mouth of Ramfheg Harbour.

One hundred pounds to aid the Inhabitants of Tignish and Goose River, on the Gulf of St. Lawrence, to open and improve a road from the River Philip to the Bay of Vert, in addition to sixty three pounds subscribed by the Inhabitants.

Twenty pounds to open and improve a road from the North side of Pugwash Harbour to John Ripley's, at the River Philip, the Inhabitants having subscribed a like sum.

Thirty pounds to open and improve a road from Macan Road to the Five Islands.

Twenty pounds to repair Amherst Bridge.

Forty pounds for the road and bridges from Amherst to the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

One hundred and fifty pounds for the road from the bounds of Hants County towards the Stone Bridge, in Horton.

Forty pounds for the road from Fullerton's to Partridge Island.

Sixty pounds for the road from near Parrborough Church towards Advocate Harbour, and also to improve the road from Lieutenant Fraser's, in Parrborough, to Apple River.

One hundred and twenty-five pounds to improve the road from the bounds of Aylesford, leading through New Canaan to Benjamin's Mill, and to aid the Inhabitants of Horton to extend the road from New Canaan over the Gaspereau River, towards the Avon Bridge in Falmouth.

Ten pounds to George Newcomb, for erecting a bridge over Partridge Island river, in Parrborough, in the year 1808, agreeably to the Prayer of his Petition.

Twenty pounds to improve the road from the main road leading from Partridge Island towards Cumberland, near Lewis's, to a road leading from Macan towards the main road leading from Londonderry towards Cumberland.

One hundred pounds for the road from the main road leading from Partridge Island towards Cumberland to Economy.

Twenty pounds to aid the Inhabitants to improve and open the road from the upper Gaspereau Bridge in Horton, to the road leading from New Canaan towards Avon Bridge.

Twenty pounds to aid the Inhabitants of Horton to improve a road from Benjamin's Mill to the new road leading from New Canaan to Avon Bridge.

Twenty pounds to aid the Inhabitants of Aylesford to extend and improve the road leading from the main road in Aylesford to the Southward, near Ryarson's Mill.

One hundred and eighty pounds to enable the Inhabitants of Horton to erect a Pier under the great Gaspereau Bridge, and improve the road and bridges towards Mount Denon, in Falmouth.

Forty pounds for the road from Pineo's, on the main road leading to Annapolis to the boundary line of Aylesford.

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Seventy-five pounds for the road from Silas Rand's, in Cornwallis, towards Aylesford Church.

Forty pounds for the road from Daniel Huntley's, in Cornwallis, to the Settlement of Pero.

Twenty pounds for the road from Scotch Bay to Cornwallis.

Twenty pounds for the road from Robert Foot's to Luther Porter's, on the north Mountain in Cornwallis.

Twenty pounds for the road from Black Rock to the Little Lake, in Cornwallis.

Twenty pounds for the new road from near Pride's Settlement across Bear Brook to Black Rock road in Cornwallis.

Twenty pounds for the road from Baxter's Harbour to Cornwallis.

One hundred pounds for that part of New Canaan road from the Cornwallis bounds to Nictaur River, and to erect bridges on the said road.

Seventy-five pounds for that part of the road in the Township of Annapolis, from the bridge over Saw Mill creek to the house of John Whitman, Esq.

Thirty-six pounds to Dowie Ditmars and Dennis Rutherford, being so much due them on finishing and completing Bear River bridge.

One hundred pounds for that part of the Post Road in Clement's by the way of the Hessian Line, from Moose River bridge to Lee's Mills, including the bridge over the Mill Dam at Lee's.

Fifty pounds for the main road from Digby to Sissaboo Bridge.

Forty pounds for that part of the main road leading to Yarmouth, between Colonel Taylor's house and the French Settlement in Clare.

Two hundred pounds for that part of the main road leading to Yarmouth, between the commencement of the French Settlement in Clare, and the western bounds of the County of Annapolis, including the repair of the Montagan Bridge.

One hundred and thirty pounds for that part of the main road, on the peninsula below Digby, from William's mill brook to Petit passage.

Thirty-six pounds ten shillings for the main road through Long Island.

Fifty pounds for that part of the main road, from Digby to the Grand Passage, between the former place and Henderson's Farm.

Seventy-five pounds to aid the New Settlers at Chute's Cove, on the Bay of Fundy, in the Township of Granville, to improve the road from the cove, over the North Mountain, to the main road leading through that Township.

Fifty pounds to aid the Settlers at Delap's Cove, in the lower end of the Township of Granville, to improve the road from the Settlement, over the North Mountain, to the main road in that Township.

Twenty-five pounds to aid the Inhabitants to rebuild the bridge near James Bray's, in Granville, on the main road leading through that Township.

Twelve pounds ten shillings to aid the Inhabitants to rebuild the bridge near the house of George Wolter in Granville, on the main road in that Township.

One hundred pounds for the road from the Half-Way Tree, on the road to Liverpool, towards Nictaur.

Fifty pounds for that part of the main road in the Township of Annapolis, from Nictaur to the house of Phineas Oaks.

One hundred pounds to aid the Inhabitants of Wilmot to improve the road on the North Mountain from the house of Major Beardly to the farm of Robert Munro.

Fifty pounds to aid the inhabitants of the Townships of Annapolis and Wilmot to erect a bridge on the Annapolis River at the Ferry, near John Gates's Farm.

One hundred pounds to open the road, as lately laid out, from the Hessian Line in Clements, to the Town of Annapolis Royal.

Fifty pounds to repair the bridge over the Annapolis River, near Dodge's Farm.

Fifty pounds for the road on the West bank of Bear River, leading from the Ferry at the mouth of the river to the road leading over the bridge across that river.

Sixty pounds to repair Allen's Creek bridge, on the Post Road from Annapolis to Digby, and to cover the Geometrical work of the said bridge.

Fifty pounds to aid the inhabitants of the upper end of Wilmot to improve the road from the Post Road to the Bay of Fundy not far distant from the Aylesford boundary.

Two hundred and fifty pounds for the road from Liverpool Falls to the half way Tree on Nictaur Road.

Fifty pounds for the road from George Robertson's, on the Nictaur Road, towards Le Have river, and to build a bridge over Pleasant river at the Settlement.

One hundred and ten pounds for the road from the upper part of Liverpool to the Falls, and to repair the bridge over the river on the main road to Annapolis.

One hundred and fifty pounds for the road from one mile from Liverpool to Port Mutton.

Seventy-five pounds for the road from Port Mutton to Port Jolly.

Fifty pounds for the road from Port Jolly to Port Lebere.

Twenty-five pounds for the road from the head of Port Lebere down the harbour to the Settlement leading from the Shelburne road.

Thirty pounds to aid the inhabitants of Western Head Bay, and Hunt's Point, to open a road towards the town of Liverpool.

Seventy-five pounds for the road from Herring Cove to Mill Village Bridge.

Fifty pounds for the road from Mill Village Bridge to the bounds of Lunenburg County.

Seventy-five pounds for the road from Herring Cove to the South West Cove, at Port Metway.

Sixty pounds to aid the inhabitants of Pudding Pan and Beech Meadows to open a road into the Port Metway road.

One hundred pounds for the road from the boundary line of the Counties of Queen's County and Lunenburg to Petit Riviere Bridge, in addition to the sum of fifty pounds, granted in the year 1808, and not yet drawn from the Treasury.

Fifty pounds for the road from Petit Riviere bridge to Pernette's mills, in addition to fifty pounds granted in 1808, and not yet drawn from the Treasury.

Twenty-five pounds for the road from Frelick's to Shaffleburg's.

Seventy-five pounds for the road from the German Village, on the main road from Annapolis to Lunenburg, to Koch's mill, at the falls of Le Have river.

Seventy pounds for the road from the falls of Le Have river to Wentzell's tavern on said road.

Thirty-five pounds for the road from Zwicker's mills at Mush-a-Mush, to the block-house Hill on the road to Annapolis.

One hundred pounds for the road from Hertle's mills at Oakland to Gold River Bridge.

Two hundred and sixty pounds for the road from within five miles of Chester to the forks of the Avon River in the township of Windsor.

Sixty pounds for the road from Le Have River, below the Falls, to the settlement on Nictaur road.

Twenty-five pounds for the road from Gold River bridge to Chester.

One hundred pounds for the road from Monkville to Avon bridge.

Four hundred pounds for the road from Jacob Pence's to Ardoise hill.

One hundred pounds for the road from Avon bridge to the bounds of King's County.

One hundred pounds for the road from the upper bridge over Kenetcook River, through the Nine Mile River Settlement, to the bridge at Shubenacadie, and for repairing the bridge, to commence at the bridge at Shubenacadie.

One hundred pounds for the main road in Douglas, from Abraham Blois's to Jackson's

Seventy-five pounds for the road from the ferry at Shubenacadie to the bridge at Wardrobe's, and for repairing the bridge.

Fifty pounds for the main road from Noel to the main road in Douglafs leading to Halifax.

Thirty pounds to open the road (according to the proposed plan) from Newport, to Brown's.

Two hundred pounds for the Road from the River Hebert to Brown's.

One hundred pounds for the main road from the Douglafs road to the church in Rawdon and thence to Lawrence's.

Forty pounds for the road leading from the church in Rawdon through the Nine Mile River Settlement, to commence at the upper line of Withrow's land.

One hundred pounds for the road leading to Petit near the shore of the Basin of Minas from the land of the late Alderman Harley, called Chevarie, and to repair the bridge over Basf River, and for opening and completing that part of the said road, near Petit.

Twenty-five pounds for the main road leading from Rawdon to Newport, by Haley's.

Twenty-five pounds for the road from the widow Wier's, in Newport, to the main road, near the church, in Rawdon.

Fifty pounds for the road from Beaver Creek to the main road in Rawdon.

Two hundred pounds for the road from the bounds of Annapolis County to Cyrus Parry's, in Yarmouth.

Two hundred and fifty pounds for the road from the head of Jabouge River in Yarmouth, to Strawberry Point, and to repair the bridge over Tusket River.

Fifty pounds for the road from the head of the second Cape Forchu lake to Salmon River bridge.

Fifty pounds for the road from Strawberry Point to Pubnico.

One hundred and fifty pounds for the road from Pubnico to Barrington.

Two hundred and fifty pounds for the road from Barrington to Shelburne, and to repair the Bridge over the Roseway River.

One hundred pounds for the road from Shelburne to the bounds of Queen's County.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again, on the consideration of a Supply.

The said Report and Resolutions were severally read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same

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Pursuant to leave given, a Petition of Thomas Carswell, Upholsterer, was presented by Mr. Robie, and read, praying the payment of a balance due for fundry work done by him to the Government House.

Pursuant to leave given, a Petition of John Steel, and others, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, stating that the Petitioners consider themselves much oppressed by a clause of the Act, entitled, An Act, in addition to, and in amendment of an Act passed in the forty-first year of his present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for, repairing, cleansing, and paving the Streets of the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, &c. and praying relief.

Pursuant to leave given, a Petition of John Archibald, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying the re-payment of £26 2 8, by him expended on the road and bridges from Fletcher's to Truro, in the year 1808.

*Ordered,* That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at Eleven of the clock.

Tuesday, 5th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to establish Grammar Schools in several Counties and Districts of this Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to establish Grammar Schools in several Counties and Districts of this Province.

A Bill in further addition to the Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within this Province to maintain their Poor; was read a third time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act in further addition to an Act made in the Third and Fourth Year of his Present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within this Province to maintain their Poor.

*Ordered,* that the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A Bill to alter and continue an Act to encourage the Fisheries of the Province; was read a second time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill be committed to a committee of the whole House.

On motion the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill in further addition to the several Acts for the choice of Town Officers, and regulating Townships; and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bill without any amendment. That the Committee had also gone through the Bill to alter and continue an Act to encourage the Fisheries of the Province, and had made an amendment thereunto; which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered the said Bills, with the amendment to the Bill last mentioned, in at the Clerk's Table.

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The amendment to the Bill to alter and continue an Act to encourage the Fisheries of the Province was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to alter and continue an Act to encourage the Fisheries of the Province, with the amendment; and also, the Bill in further addition to the several Acts for the choice of Town Officers, and regulating of Townships, be engrossed.

Mr. Pyke reported from the Committee appointed to wait on his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Resolution on the subject of the Douglafs and Philadelphia Grants; that the Committee had waited on his Excellency accordingly, and that his Excellency was pleased to say to the Committee, that he would direct the respective Commissioners to lay their account of expenditure before this House.

Then the House adjourned, until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Wednesday, 6th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Mr Collins reported from the Committee to whom the petition of J. H. Fliegher was referred; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read; and thereupon,

On motion, *ordered*, That the said report and petition be referred to a Committee of Supply.

An engrossed Bill to alter and continue an Act, passed in the fiftieth year of his Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to encourage the Fisheries of this Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to alter and continue an Act, passed in the fiftieth year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to encourage the Fisheries of this Province.

An engrossed Bill in further addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts for the choice of Town Officers, and regulating of Townships, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act in further addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts for the choice of Town Officers, and regulating of Townships.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same,

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to continue the Act for granting to his Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar; also,

A Bill to continue the Acts for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for imposing an additional duty of Excise on Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, and for appropriating the same; also,

A Bill in addition to, and amendment of, the Act for granting to his Majesty certain

certain duties on Wine, Rum and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Coffee and Brown Sugar; also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, by laying a duty on persons hereafter to be licensed to keep Public Houses, or Shops, for the retail of Spirituous Liquors; and, also,

A Bill to continue and amend the several Acts of the General Assembly, for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, imported into this Province; and the same were severally read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be read a second time.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker returned the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had come to a Resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that as no provision is made by Law, for granting to J. H. Fleigher, Guager and Weigher for the Port of Halifax, any fee for weighing dutiable articles, which duty it appears is executed by the Guager, the committee therefore recommend to the House, to pass an Act establishing fees for that service, and for making an addition to the allowance at present granted by Law for Guaging.

The chairman also reported that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the further consideration of a Supply.

The said resolution and report were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Mr. Cunningham, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in further addition to the Act for the appointment of Sworn Guagers, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Robie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate the proceedings of the Court of Escheats, and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the said Bills be read a second time.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Thursday, 7th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Bill in further addition to the Act for the appointment of Sworn Guagers; also,  
A Bill to continue an Act for granting to his Majesty certain duties on Wine,  
Rum,

Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar ; also,

A Bill to continue the Acts for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province ; also,

~~A Bill to continue an Act for imposing an additional duty of Excise on Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, and for appropriating the same ; also,~~

A Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, by laying a duty on persons to be hereafter licensed to keep Public Houses, or Shops, for the retail of Spirituous Liquors ; also,

A Bill in addition to, and amendment of, the Act for granting to his Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar ; and, also,

A Bill to continue and amend the several Acts of the General Assembly, for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, imported into this Province ; were severally read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be committed to a committee of the whole House.

A petition of Luke Upham, and others, inhabitants of the Upper Settlement of the North River, in the Township of Onflow, was presented by Mr. Masters, and read, praying an aid to enable them to improve the road leading from the main road in Onflow, to and through the said Settlement.

*Ordered*, That the said petition do lie on the table.

The order of the Day being read, thereupon,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of private petitions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same ; which report the House agreed to.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a conference, by committee, with a committee of this House, on the subject of several Resolutions of this House, for granting Monies for the service of Roads and Bridges.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. James, Mr. Morton, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Shey, and Mr. Archibald, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. James reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

On motion, *resolved*, That this House will to-morrow, consider further the private petitions now before the House.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Friday, 8th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to leave given, a petition of Richard John Uniacke, junior, was presented by Mr. Pyke, and read, praying a remuneration for his services and expenses, in attending, on behalf of the Crown, a Special Court of Oyer and Terminer, in the County of Queen's County, in September last.

Pursuant to leave given, a petition of Enos Collins, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying for a return of duties paid by him on a quantity of Coffee, imported from St. Domingo, and afterwards exported for Great Britain, and captured by the French.

*Ordered*, That the petitions do lie on the table.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to two Resolutions of this House, for granting the following sums, viz :

500l. to the Treasurer of the Province.

24l. 10s. to Judge Monk.

The Council request a further conference, by committee, on the subject of the Resolutions for granting Monies for Roads and Bridges, immediately, in the committee room of the Council.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*, That the Managers who managed the last conference, do manage this conference.

And the names of the Managers were called over,

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. James reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to one hundred and forty-two Resolutions of this House, for granting the following sums of money for the service of Roads and Bridges, viz :

400l. for the road from Sackville to Jacob Pence's.

65l. for the road from the Windsor Road, to Fletcher's, on the road to Colchester.

300l. for the road from Fletcher's to Canty's, on the Colchester road.

- 450l. for the road from Canty's to Hall's, on the Colchester road.  
 125l. for the road from Hall's to Key's, on the Colchester road.  
 125l. for the road from Key's to Gay's River.  
 60l. for the road from Prospect to Margaret's Bay road.  
 30l. for the road from Sambro to Harriet Field road.  
 25l. for the road from Chizencook to the Lower Musquodoboit.  
 25l. for the road from Cole Harbour to Lawrence Town.  
 50l. for the road from Cole Harbour, by Cow Bay, to the Eastern Battery.  
 200l. for the road from the Nine Mile River to Sackville.  
 50l. for the road from the Meeting House, near Ellis's, to the main road leading to Halifax.  
 80l. for the old road leading from the Ferry, at Dartmouth, to Preston.  
 150l. for the road from Harriet Field road near M'Intosh's, to St. Margaret's Bay.  
 65l. for the road from Lower Musquodoboit by Porter's [Lake, to Salmon River.  
 150l. for the roads and bridges from Gay's river to Truro.  
 75l. for the road from Dickie's on the Halifax road, to middle Sewack.  
 160l. for the road from Coxe's in Truro, to middle Sewack.  
 75l. for the road from middle to upper Sewack.  
 80l. for the road from upper Sewack to middle Musquodoboit.  
 175l. for the road from Onflow to Tatamagouche.  
 30l. for the road between William Hamilton's and the Old School House in Onflow.  
 20l. to assist the Inhabitants of Onflow to open a road from David M'Collum's, junior, to the Settlement up the North River.  
 35l. for the road from Londonderry to Ramsheg.  
 35l. for the road from Economy to Bals River.  
 25l. for the road from the Old Barns to Shubenacadie.  
 50l. to repair the Salmon River Bridge in Truro.  
 30l. for the road from the Meeting House Hill near Ellis's on the Shubenacadie River, to the Halifax Road at Gourley's.  
 40l. for the road leading from the Brookfield Settlement to the Halifax road.  
 125l. for the road from the district line of Pictou to the Saw Mill Bridge near the harbour of Pictou.  
 200l. for the road and bridges from the district line of Pictou to the Court House Hill in Truro.  
 100l. for the road from Musquodoboit to the East branch of St. Mary's River.  
 80l. for the road from the west to the middle River Pictou.  
 50l. for the road from middle to the east River of Pictou.  
 50l. for the road from the East River of Pictou to Sutherland's on the road leading to Antigonish.  
 50l. for the road from Sutherland's to the East River of Merigomish on the road leading to Antigonish.  
 50l. for the road from the East River of Merigomish to the line of Sydney County.  
 25l. to assist the Inhabitants of the Gulf to erect a bridge over Bayley's brook, so called.  
 20l. to assist the Inhabitants of the Gulf to build a bridge over the Mill brook, so called.

- 25l. for the new road from Gordon's on the East River of Merigomish to the bounds of Sydney County.
- 50l. for the road from the East river of Pictou to the East river of St. Mary's.
- 100l. for the road from Pictou to the River John.
- 45l. to assist the Inhabitants of the east branch of the east river of Pictou to erect a bridge on the said branch, upon the main road leading across said branch to the west branch and upper Settlement of the middle river of Pictou.
- 100l. for the road from the eastern bounds of Pictou to the Indian Gardens at Antigonish.
- 200l. for the road from Indian Gardens to the head of Milford Haven.
- 150l. for the road from Dorchester to the east branch of St. Mary's River.
- 100l. for the road from the eastern bounds of Pictou to the Chapel in Dorchester, the new road.
- 50l. for the road from Dorchester to the head of Tracadie on the Guyborough, road, and for building a bridge over Brusar's Creek in Pomquet.
- 150l. for the road from Manchester to the East Branch of St. Mary's River.
- 250l. to aid the inhabitants of St. Mary's River to improve the road from the settlement, at the head of the tide, to the main road, and for building a Bridge on the said road.
- 50l. for the road from Boylston to the Gut of Canso.
- 300l. for the roads and bridges from the bounds of Londonderry to Amherst.
- 180l. for the roads and bridges from Napan to the line of King's County.
- 60l. for the roads and bridges from Macan to the River Philip.
- 100l. for the road from Gabriel Purdy's to Ramsheg Harbour.
- 30l. to repair the roads and bridges from Wentworth Settlement to Folly Lake.
- 40l. to repair the road and bridges from the south side of Pugwash Harbour to the head of the tide at Ramsheg, near John Angevine's.
- 80l. for the road and bridges from the settlement on Black River, by Richard Thomson's and Andrew Fullmer's, to the Ferry at the mouth of Ramsheg Harbour.
- 100l. to aid the inhabitants of Tignish and Goose River, on the Gulf of St. Lawrence, to open and improve a road from the River Philip to the Bay of Vert, in addition to 93l. subscribed by the inhabitants.
- 20l. to open and improve a road from the north side of Pugwash Harbour to John Ripley's.
- 30l. to open and improve a road from Macan road to the Five Islands.
- 20l. to repair Amherst Bridge.
- 40l. for the road and bridges from Amherst to the Gulf of St. Lawrence.
- 150l. for the road from the bounds of Hants County towards the Stone Bridge in Horton.
- 40l. for the road from Fullerton's to Partridge Island.
- 60l. for the road from near Parriborough Church towards Advocate Harbour.
- 10l. to George Newcomb, for erecting a bridge over Partridge Island River, in Parriborough, in the year 1808, agreeably to the prayer of his Petition.
- 20l. to improve the road from the main road leading from Partridge Island towards Cumberland, near Lewis's, to a road leading from Macan towards the main road leading from Londonderry towards Cumberland.
- 100l. for the road from the main road leading from Partridge Island towards Cumberland to Economy.

- 20l. to aid the inhabitants to improve and open the road from the upper Caspereau bridge in Horton, to the road leading from New Canaan towards Avon Bridge.
- 20l. to aid the inhabitants of Horton to improve a road from Benjamin's Mill to the new road leading from New Canaan to Avon Bridge.
- 20l. to aid the inhabitants of Aylesford to extend and improve the road leading from the main road in Aylesford to the southward, near Ryarson's Mill.
- 40l. for the road from Pineo's to the boundary line of Aylesford.
- 40l. for the road from Daniel Huntley's to the Settlement of Pero.
- 20l. for the road from Scotch Bay to Cornwallis
- 20l. for the road from Robert Foot's to Luther Porter's.
- 20l. for the road from black rock to the little Lake in Cornwallis.
- 20l. for the new road from near Pride's Settlement to black rock road.
- 75l. for the road from the bridge over Saw Mill creek in Annapolis, to the house of John Whitman, Esq.
- 36l. to Dowie Ditmars and Dennis Rutherford.
- 100l. for the road from Moon river Bridge to Lee's Mills.
- 40l. for the road between Colonel Taylor's house and the French Settlement in Clare.
- 200l. for the road between the Commencement of the French Settlement in Clare and the western bounds of the County of Annapolis.
- 135l. for the road from William's mill brook to Petit Passage.
- 36l. 10s. for the main road through Long Island.
- 50l. for the road between Digby and the Grand Passage.
- 75l. for the road from Chute's Cove to the main road leading through Granville.
- 50l. for the road from the Settlement over the North Mountain to the main road in the Township of Granville.
- 25l. to rebuild the bridge near James Bray's in Granville.
- 100l. for the road from the Half-way tree on the road to Liverpool, towards Nictaur.
- 50l. for the road from Nictaur to the house of Phineas Oaks.
- 100l. for the road from the house of Major Beardley, on the north mountain, to the farm of Robert Thuro.
- 50l. to erect a bridge on the Annapolis River, at the Ferry, near John Gates's Farm.
- 100l. to open the road from Hessian Line, in Clements, to the Town of Annapolis Royal.
- 50l. to repair the bridge over the Annapolis River, near Dodge's Farm.
- 50l. for the road leading from the Ferry, at the mouth of the River, to the road leading over the bridge across Bear River.
- 60l. to repair Allen's Creek Bridge.
- 50l. for the road from the Post road to the Bay of Fundy, not far from Aylesford boundary.
- 250l. for the road from Liverpool Falls to the half-way Tree on the Nictaur road.
- 50l. for the road from George Robertson's towards Le Have river.
- 110l. for the road from the upper part of Liverpool to the Falls.
- 150l. for the road from one mile from Liverpool to Port Mutton.
- 75l. for the road from Port Mutton to Port Jolly.
- 50l. for the road from Port Jolly to Port Lebere.



- 25l. for the road from the head of Port Leber down the harbour to the Settlement leading from the Shelburne road.
- 30l. to open a road from Western Head Bay and Hants Point to Liverpool.
- 75l. for the road from Herring Cove to Mill Village Bridge.
- 50l. for the road from Mill Village Bridge to the bounds of Lunenburg County.
- 75l. for the road from Herring Cove to the South-West Cove, at Port Metway.
- 60l. to open a road from Pudding Pan and Beech Meadows to Port Metway road.
- 100l. for the road from the boundary line of Queen's County and Lunenburg County to Petit Rivere Bridge.
- 50l. for the road from Petit Rivere Bridge to Pernette's mills.
- 25l. for the road from Frelick's to Shaffleburg's.
- 75l. for the road from the German Village to Koch's mills, at the Falls of Le Have River.
- 70l. for the road from the Falls of Le Have River to Wentzell's Tavern.
- 35l. for the road from Zwicker's mills at Mush-a Mush, to the Block House Hill, on the road to Annapolis.
- 100l. for the road from Hertle's mills, at Oakland, to Gold River Bridge.
- 260l. for the road from within five miles of Chester, to the Forks of the Avon river.
- 60l. for the road from Le-Have River, below the Falls, to the Settlement on the Nictaur road.
- 25l. for the road from Gold River Bridge to Chester.
- 100l. for the road from Monkville to Avon Bridge.
- 400l. for the road from Jacob Pence's to Ardoise Hill.
- 100l. for the road from Avon Bridge to the bounds of King's County.
- 100l. for the road from the upper bridge over Kenetcook River to the bridge at Shubenaccadie.
- 100l. for the main road in Douglas from Abraham Blois's to Jackson's.
- 75l. for the road from the Ferry at the Shubenaccadie, to the bridge at Wardrobe's.
- 50l. for the main road from Noel to the main road in Douglas, leading to Halifax.
- 30l. to open the road from Newport to Brown's.
- 200l. for the road from the River Hebert to Brown's.
- 100l. for the main road from the Douglas road to the Church in Rawdon, and thence to Lawrence's.
- 40l. for the road leading from the Church in Rawdon through the Nine Mile Settlement River.
- 100l. for the road leading to Petit, near the shore of the Basin of Minas, from the land of the late Alderman Harley.
- 25l. for the main road leading from Rawdon to Newport, by Haley's.
- 25l. for the road from the Widow Wier's to the main road in Rawdon.
- 50l. for the road from Beaver Creek to the main road in Rawdon.
- 200l. for the road from the bounds of Annapolis County to Cyrus Parry's, in Yarmouth.
- 250l. for the road from the head of Jabouge River, in Yarmouth, to Strawberry Point.
- 50l. for the road from the head of the second Cape Forchu Lake to Salmon River Bridge.
- 50l. for the road from Strawberry Point to Pubnico.

150l. for the road from Pubnico to Barrington.

250l. for the road from Barrington to Shelburne.

100l. for the road from Shelburne to the bounds of Queen's County.

The Council have not agreed to nine Resolutions of this House for granting the following sums for the service of Roads and Bridges, viz.

70l. for the road from Hall's to the middle Musquodoboit River.

100l. for the road from Ketch Harbour to Spryfield.

100l. for the road from Halifax to Musquodoboit.

50l. for the road from Londonderry to the bounds of Cumberland County.

125l. for the road from the bounds of Aylesford through New Canaan towards Avon Bridge.

75l. for the road from Silas Rand's towards Aylesford Church.

20l. for the road from Baxter's Harbour to Cornwallis.

100l. for new Canaan road from Cornwallis to Nictaur river.

50l. for the road from Digby to Sciffabou Bridge.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act in further addition to an Act, made in the third and fourth year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within this Province to maintain their Poor, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Council to the Bill above-mentioned, and the same was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the amendment made by them to the same.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the farther consideration of private petitions;

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same; which report the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Saturday, 9th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Robie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend the Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province, and the same was read first time.

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Resolved,

*Resolved*, That the Bills be read a second time.

A Bill to regulate the proceedings of the Court of Escheats, was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a committee of the whole House.

On motion of Mr. Roach, *resolved*; that a committee be appointed to inquire into, and report to the House, the amount of the sum received for the sale of the new edition of the Province Laws, to the Inhabitants of the Province.

*Ordered*; That Mr. Roach, Mr. Dimock and Mr. Shey, be a committee for the above purpose.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of private Petitions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had come to several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

The Petition of John Martin and others; the Petition of Nathaniel Parker; the Petition of Marble Wood; the Petition of Nathaniel Brown; the Petition of David M<sup>c</sup>Lellan; the Petition of James Gautier; the Petition of S. Harrington; and the Petition of William Sabatier, and others, were severally read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the said Petitions should be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Petition of George Roy was read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the consideration of the said Petition should be deferred.

The Petition of William Logan, and others, was read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the consideration of the Petition should be deferred: the Law which has passed the House in the present Session for extending the provisions of the Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn, on new Lands, having provided a mode of relief to the Petitioners.

The Petition of Henry Taylor was read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the consideration of the said Petition should be postponed to this day three months.

The Petition of William Sabatier, and others; was read and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that it is expedient that Nathaniel Atchison, Esquire, of London, should be appointed an Especial Agent of the Province.

The Petition of Andrew Belcher was read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the said Petition should be referred to a Committee, to be appointed by the House, to examine into the merits of the same, and report thereon to the House.

The Petition of Charles R. Prescott, and others; and the Petition of Garret Miller, were severally read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the said Petitions should be referred to a Committee, to be appointed by the House, to examine into the merits of the same, and report thereon to the House.

The Petition of James Foreman, and others, Magistrates of the County of Halifax, was read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a Committee should be appointed by the House, to investigate the Accounts relative to the Public Market Houses, and of the Expenditure of the Monies arising therefrom; and of the balance due upon those Accounts, and in whose hands the same remains; and also to report as to the Title and Right to the different Lots of Land described in said Petition.

The chairman also reported to the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the business to them referred.

The said report was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the petition of John Martin, and others; the Petition of Nathaniel Parker; the Petition of Marble Wood; the Petition of Nathaniel Brown; the Petition of David M'Lennan; the Petition of James Gautier; the Petition of S. Harrington; and the Petition of William Sabatier, and others; be severally referred to the Committee of Supply, agreeably to the Resolution of the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Andrew Belcher be referred to Mr. Lawton, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. James, Mr. Collins, and Mr. Crane, agreeably to the report of the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Charles R. Prescott, and also the Petition of Garret Miller, be referred to Mr. Lovett, Mr. Morton and Mr. Shey, agreeably to the report of the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Roach, and Mr. Archibald, be a Committee on the subject of the Market House Accounts, agreeably to the Resolution of the Committee of the whole House.

Pursuant to leave given, the Petition of Phineas Lovett, jun. and also the Petition of Bonnell and Budd, were severally withdrawn by Mr. Ritchie.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act in further addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts for the choice of Town Officers, and regulating of Townships, without any amendment.

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Attornies and Proctors, practising in the Courts of Law and Equity in this Province; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The said Bill was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a conference by committee with a committee of this House on the

the Bill to alter and continue an Act to encourage the Fisheries of this Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Collins, Mr. Parker and Mr. Lawson, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Collins reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

On motion, *resolved*, That it is expedient to grant a further sum for the service of Roads and Bridges for the present year.

*Ordered*, That the foregoing resolution be sent to the Council, for concurrence.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred; and that the Committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read; and is as follows :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the following sums should be granted and applied for the service of Roads and Bridges, viz :

One hundred pounds, for the road from Herring Cove towards Ketch Harbour.

Seventy pounds, for the road, to commence between Hall's and Key's, to the middle Musquodoboit, and to aid the inhabitants to build a bridge between Crookshank's and Ogilvie's.

One hundred pounds, for the road from the Halifax road, at Gay's River, to the Musquodoboit settlement.

Fifty pounds for that part of the new Canaan road from the bounds of King's County towards Nictaur River, and to erect Bridges on the said road.

Seventy-five pounds for the north road leading from Aylesford to the Western Settlement, in Cornwallis, to commence at the Morden or Orimby road, nearly opposite the Aylesford Church, and extend to Silas Rapid's, in said Cornwallis.

Seventy-five pounds for that part of the New Canaan road from the bounds of the County of Annapolis towards the New Canaan Settlement, and to erect Bridges on the said road.

Fifty pounds for the main road from Sissaboo Bridge towards the town of Digby.

One hundred pounds for that part of the road through New Canaan Settlement across Gaspereau River to the road leading to the Avon Bridge.

Twenty pounds for the road from Baxter's Harbour towards Knight's mill in Cornwallis.

Fifty pounds to repair the roads and bridges from William Vance's in Londonderry to Sutherland's, on the main road to Cumberland, being the distance of about ten miles.

The chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply.

The said report and resolutions were severally read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act in further addition to an Act, made in the third and fourth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within this Province to maintain their Poor.

The Council have also agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and continue an Act, passed in the fiftieth year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to encourage the Fisheries of this Province—with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the messenger withdrew.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of private petitions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the business to them referred; which report the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned, until Monday, at eleven of the clock.

Monday, 11th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to amend the Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax; also,

A Bill for encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province; also,

An Engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of Law and Equity within this Province, were severally read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be committed to a committee of the whole House.

On motion, the House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill to alter and continue an Act to encourage the Fisheries of this Province; and the said amendments were read throughout a

first and second time, and, upon the question, severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the amendments made by them to the same.

Mr. Secretary George, by order of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, delivered to the House an Account of John Howe & Son, for printing Forms of Prayer in the years 1810 and 1811, amounting to £39.

*Ordered*, That the Account do lie on the Table to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. Lawson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in addition to the Act, passed in the 29th year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the support of the Poor in the respective Counties within this Province; and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee to whom the Bill to enable Creditors more easily to recover their Debts from Joint Partners was referred: and he afterwards delivered the said Bill to the House; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a committee of the whole House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the several Revenue Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to continue an Act for granting to His Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar. Also, a Bill to continue the Acts for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province. Also, the Bill to continue an Act for imposing an additional duty of Excise on Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, and for appropriating the same. Also, the Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, by laying a duty on persons to be hereafter licensed to keep Public Houses, or Shops, for the retail of Spirituous Liquors. Also, a Bill in addition to, and amendment of, the Act for granting to his Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar. And, also, a Bill to continue and amend the several Acts of the General Assembly, for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province; and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills severally without any amendment; and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the Bills be engrossed.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

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Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same; which report the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at ten of the clock.

Tuesday, 12th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Pool, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the encouragement of Inland Navigation; and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

An Engrossed Bill, in addition to, and amendment of, an Act for granting to His Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Mr. Archibald moved, that the duration of the said Bill be until the 15th March, 1812; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, nine, against it eleven.

For the Motion :

Mr. POOL,	Mr. RITCHIE,
Mr. ROACH,	Mr. JAMES,
Mr. CUNNINGHAM,	Mr. PARKER.
Mr. MARSTERS,	
Mr. WARWICK,	
Mr. ARCHIBALD,	

Against the Motion :

Mr. WELLS,	Mr. HALIBURTON,
Mr. BAKER,	Mr. ROBIE,
Mr. PURDY,	Mr. DEWOLF,
Mr. SHAW,	Mr. COLLINS,
Mr. MORTON,	Mr. SHEY.
Mr. DIMOCK,	

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Robie then moved, that the duration of the Bill be until the 31st January, 1812, which being seconded and put, passed in the affirmative.

Mr. Archibald then moved, that the Bill do not pass, which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, 11, against it, 13. So it passed in the negative; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the 48th year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for granting to His Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government, and for promoting the Agriculture, Fisheries and Commerce, of this Province.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A Bill, in addition to the Act, passed in the 29th year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province, was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a committee of the whole House.



A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and continue an Act, passed in the fiftieth year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to encourage the Fisheries of this Province, without any amendment.

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the forty-eighth year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for granting to His Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government, and for promoting the Agriculture, Fisheries and Commerce, of this Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to enable Creditors more easily to recover their Debts from Joint Partners—without any amendment. Also, the Bill to amend the Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax. And, also, the engrossed Bill from the Council, for the better regulation of Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of Law and Equity in this Province : respectively, with amendments.

The amendments to the engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of Law and Equity in this Province, were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said amendments be engrossed.

The amendments to the Bill for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax, were read throughout a first and second time ; and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

On motion, *ordered*, that the Committee of Public Accounts of this House do examine into, and report on, the Expenditure of all Monies granted by the Legislature for the service of Roads and Bridges, and not yet accounted for.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of Private Petitions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

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The Petition of J. Steel, and others, was read; and thereupon,  
*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Petitioners are entitled to relief.

The Petition of Richard J. Uniacke, Jun.; and also the Petition of William Salter, were severally read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the said Petitions should be referred to a Committee of Supply.

The Petition of Thomas Carwell; and also the Petition of John Archibald, were severally read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the said Petitions should be dismissed.

The Petition of Enos Collins was read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the said Petition should be referred to a Committee, to be appointed by the House, to examine into the merits of the same, and to report thereon to the House.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the business to them referred.

The said report and resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Petitions of Richard John Uniacke, Junior, and William Salter, be referred to the Committee of Supply, agreeably to the Resolution of the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Enos Collins be referred to Mr. Lovett, Mr. Morton, and Mr. Shey, agreeably to the report of the Committee of the whole House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the Bill in further addition to the Act for the appointment of Sworn Guagers.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to them referred, and that the Committee had made several amendments thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered the Bill, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's Table.

The said amendments were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

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Wednesday, 13th March, 1811.

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PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Haliburton, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to confer with a Committee of His Majesty's Council, on the present state of the Province, and that the Clerk do request the same.

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*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Ritchie, and Mr. Archibald, be a Committee accordingly.

An Engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for raising a Revenue to repair the roads throughout the Province, by laying a duty on persons hereafter to be licensed to keep Public Houses, or Shops, for the retail of Spirituous Liquors, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for raising a Revenue to repair the roads throughout the Province, by laying a duty on Persons hereafter to be licensed to keep Public Houses or Shops, for the retail of Spirituous Liquors.

An engrossed Bill, to continue an Act for imposing an additional duty of Excise on Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, and for appropriating the same, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, An Act to continue an Act for imposing an additional duty of Excise on Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, and for appropriating the same.

An engrossed Bill, to continue the Acts for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, An Act to continue the Acts for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province.

An Engrossed Bill, to continue and in addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts of the General Assembly for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandize, imported into this Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue, and in addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts of the General Assembly for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandize, imported into this Province.

An engrossed Bill, to continue an Act for granting to His Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, that the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act for granting to His Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar.

An engrossed Bill, to make a better provision for the Provincial Gauger and Weigher at the Port of Halifax, was read a third time, and thereupon,

Mr. Archibald moved that the Bill do not pass, which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion five, against it fifteen.

For the Motion :

Mr. JAMES,  
Mr. COLLINS,  
Mr. ARCHIBALD,  
Mr. LAWSON,  
Mr. PARKER.

Against the Motion :

Mr. ROBBE,  
Mr. WELLS,  
Mr. DEWOLF,  
Mr. CUNNINGHAM,  
Mr. POOL,  
Mr. CRANE,  
Mr. ROACH,  
Mr. SHEY,  
Mr. SHAW,  
Mr. WARWICK,  
Mr. DIMOCK,  
Mr. MARSTERS,  
Mr. PURDY,  
Mr. HALIBURTON,  
Mr. BAKER,

So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved,*

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to make a better provision for the Provincial Guager and Weigher, at the Port of Halifax.

An engrossed Bill, to enable Creditors more easily to recover their Debts from Joint Debtors, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for the more easy recovery of Debts against Co-partners and Joint Debtors.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the last mentioned Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of Law and Equity in this Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same with several amendments.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the following Resolution of this House.

*Resolved*, that it is expedient to grant a further sum for the service of Roads and Bridges for the present year.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the following Resolutions of this House, for granting the following sums for the service of Roads and Bridges, viz.

100l. for the road from Herring Cove towards Ketch Harbour.

70l. for the road, to commence between Hall's and Keys', to the middle Musquodoboit, and to aid the inhabitants to build a bridge between Crookshank's and Ogilvie's.

100l. for the road from the Halifax road, at Gay's River, to the Musquodoboit Settlement.

50l. for that part of the new Canaan road from the bounds of King's County towards Nictaur River, and to erect Bridges on the said road.

75l. for the north road leading from Aylesford to the Western Settlement in Cornwallis, to commence at the Morden or Ormsby road, nearly opposite the Aylesford Church, and extend to Silas Rand's, in said Cornwallis.

75l. for that part of the new Canaan Road from the bounds of the County of Annapolis towards the new Canaan Settlement, and to erect bridges on the said road.

50l. for the main road from Sillaboo Bridge towards the Town of Digby.

100l. for that part of the road through new Canaan Settlement across Gaspereau River, to the road leading to the Avon-Bridge.

20l. for the road from Baxter's harbour towards Knight's Mill, in Cornwallis.

50l. to repair the roads and bridges from William Vance's, in Londonderry, to Sutherland's, on the main road to Cumberland—being the distance of about ten miles.

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The Council agree to the conference, as desired by this House, immediately, in the Committee-Room of the Council.

And then the messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the managers do attend accordingly.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Haliburton reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

On motion of Mr. Parker, *ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the several Revenue Bills, which have passed this House, to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue, and in addition to, and amendment of the several Acts of the General Assembly, for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, imported into this Province. Also, to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, by laying a duty on persons hereafter to be licensed to keep Public Houses, or Shops, for the retail of Spirituous Liquors. Also, to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act for imposing an additional duty of Excise on Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, and for appropriating the same. And, also, to the Bill, entitled, An Act for granting to his Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar—severally, without any amendment.

And then the messenger, withdrew.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same, which report the House agreed to.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a conference by committee on the subject of the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province.

And then the messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. Dimock, and Mr. Ritchie, do manage the said conference.

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And they went to the conference;  
 And being returned,  
 Mr. Lawton reported that the managers had been at the conference, and stated  
 the substance of the conference to the House.

Then the House adjourned, until To-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Thursday, 14th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Pyke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to authorise the appointment  
 of Trustees for the Common of the Town of Halifax, in the room of the persons  
 named in the original grant thereof.

Mr. Dimock, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to enable the Inhabitants  
 of each Township to raise money for defraying the expense attending the running or  
 perambulating the lines and bounds of the respective Townships in this Pro-  
 vince—and the same were read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be read a second time.

A Bill for the encouragement of Inland Navigation, was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a committee of the whole House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the  
 consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill  
 to regulate the proceedings of the Court of Escheats; and also, a Bill in addition  
 to an Act, passed in the twenty-ninth year of his Majesty's reign, for the better sup-  
 port of the Poor, and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills  
 severally without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the  
 Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee  
 to move for leave to sit again on the further consideration of the Bills to them refer-  
 red, which report the House agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bills be engrossed.

Mr. Roach, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to encourage the raising of  
 Bread Corn on new Lands: and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

An engrossed Bill, in addition to an Act, passed in the twenty-ninth year of  
 His Majesty's Reign, for the better support of the Poor, was read a third  
 time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, An Act in addition to an Act, pas-  
 sed in the twenty-ninth year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the better  
 support

support of the Poor in the respective Counties within this Province, by laying an Impost Duty on all Articles imported into this Province from the United States of America.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A Message from his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Secretary George:  
Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency commands this House to attend His Excellency immediately in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency in the Council Chamber.

And being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the several Bills following, viz.

An Act to extend the provisions of an Act, passed in the 49th year of the reign of his present Majesty, entitled, An Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on new Lands.

An Act, in further addition to, and in amendment of, an Act, made and passed in the third and fourth years of his present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors.

An Act to prevent Boys, and others, from coasting and sliding down the Hills in the Streets of Halifax.

An Act in further addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts for the choice of Town Officers, and regulating of Townships.

An Act in further addition to an Act, made in the third and fourth year of his present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to enable the inhabitants of the several townships within this Province to maintain their Poor.

An Act to alter and continue an Act, passed in the fiftieth year of his Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to encourage the Fisheries of this Province.

An Act to continue an Act for imposing an additional duty of Excise on Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, and for appropriating the same.

An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for raising a Revenue to repair the roads throughout the Province, by laying a duty on Persons hereafter to be licensed to keep Public Houses or Shops, for the retail of Spirituous Liquors.

An Act to continue, and in addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts of the General Assembly for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandize, imported into this Province.

An Act to continue an Act for granting to His Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Friday,

Friday, 15th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Baker, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate the practice of Physic and Surgery in the Province: and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Secretary George acquainted the House that he had a message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to this House, signed by His Excellency, and he presented the said message to the House.

And the said message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows:

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

The Secretary of the Province having represented to me that the Public Records of the Province were delivered to him with imperfect or defective Index, and in a ruinous state, I request you will take the same into consideration, and take such measures as may be necessary to provide a remedy for an evil that is highly inconvenient, and prejudicial to the Public Interest.

The Sheriff of the County of Halifax has incurred an expence of Six Pounds Three Shillings and Six Pence, for the maintenance of John Kelly, in the County Goal, while under sentence of Death, on a conviction for Piracy—the account of this expence will be laid before you, and I desire that you will examine the same, and provide for the payment.

GEORGE PREVOST.

Mr. Secretary George also delivered to the House a copy of his Letter to His Excellency, and also the account of the Sheriff of the County of Halifax, as above referred to; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, that the said Message and Papers do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Bill to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on new Lands; also,

A Bill to enable the inhabitants of Townships to raise money for defraying the expence of running lines of their respective Townships of the Province; and, also,

A Bill to authorise the appointment of Trustees for the Common of the Town of Halifax in the room of the persons named in the original grant thereof, were severally read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

An engrossed Bill, to regulate the Proceedings of the Court of Escheats, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, that the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to regulate the Proceedings of the Court of Escheats.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed, Mr.



Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill for encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province; also, a Bill to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on new Lands; and had made several amendments thereunto respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House. That the committee had directed him to report the Bill for the encouragement of Inland Navigation; and also the Bill to enable the inhabitants of Townships to raise money for defraying the expense of running lines of their respective Townships of the Province, severally, without any amendment; and he afterwards delivered the said Bills, with the amendments to the Bills above mentioned, in at the Clerk's Table.

The chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills to them referred, which the House agreed to.

The amendments to the Bills, as reported from the committee, were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bills, and the foregoing amendments, be engrossed.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same, which the House agreed to.

Mr. Robie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for appointing an Especial Agent of this Province: and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at ten of the clock.

Saturday, 16th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to regulate the practice of Physic and Surgery in the Province, was read a second time.

On motion *resolved*, that the consideration of the said Bill be deferred to the next Session.

A Bill for appointing an Especial Agent of this Province, was read a second time.

*Resolved*.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. James, be added to the Committee to whom the Petition of Eno's Collins was referred, in the room of Mr. Lovett.

An engrossed Bill for encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of fifty pounds should be granted for securing the Pier of Avon Bridge.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one hundred pounds should be granted to improve the road from Malignant Cove to the Indian Gardens, in the county of Sydney.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of two hundred pounds should be granted for the road from the east end of the new road over Ardoise Hill to the Three Mile Plain.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of two hundred pounds should be granted for the road from Pence's tavern to the entrance of the new road upon Ardoise Hill.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of fifty pounds should be granted to repair the road from the Settlement on the Lakes of St. Mary's River, to the head of the Tide on that River.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of fifty pounds should be granted to repair the road from the east river of Picou to the west branch of St. Mary's River.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one hundred pounds should be granted to open a road from Bear River Bridge to the Bridge over the Sciffabou River, in the County of Annapolis.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of thirty pounds should be granted for the road from Vance's, in Londonderry, to Sutherland's, on the Cumberland road, in addition to the sum already granted.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one hundred pounds should be granted for the road from Chester to Windsor, in addition to two hundred and sixty pounds granted for that service in the present Session—the expen-

diture to commence near the head of the tide of the fourth branch of the River Avon, and to extend to the bounds of the County of Lunenburg.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of thirty pounds should be granted to aid the inhabitants of the Man of War District, on the Basin of Minas, to rebuild the Chevarie Bridge.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of eighty pounds should be granted to improve the road at the hill by Cold Brook and Webster's hill by Sharp's mill brook, on the main post road leading to Annapolis.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of twelve pounds should be granted for cutting away the trees that obscure the light on Briar Island.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of forty pounds should be granted to widen and improve the main road leading to Cumberland, near the river Chiganoise, called Slack's Causeway, in Onslow.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one hundred and thirty five pounds should be granted for the road from the Windfor road to Fletcher's, in addition to sixty five pounds already granted this Session.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one hundred pounds should be granted for the road from Avon Bridge to the bounds of King's County, in addition to the sum already granted.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of two hundred pounds should be granted for the road from Sackville to the bounds of the County of Hants, in addition to the sum of four hundred pounds granted for the said road this Session.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds should be granted to open a road from near Hamond Plains to the Thirteen Mile Tree, on the road leading from Chester to Windfor.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of sixty pounds should be granted for the road from the Horton Line to James Bacon's, near Mount Denon, in addition to a vote of last year for the erection of the bridge.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum not exceeding four hundred pounds should be granted for the repair or rebuilding of Bridges on the great public roads of the Province, to be expended, and drawn from the Treasury, on the like conditions as were inserted in the Appropriation Act of the last year.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the extending a Pier from Arifaig Point, upon the south shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, across the cove formed by the said Point, will be of the most essential service to all vessels requiring a harbour on the said shore, and that so soon as his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor shall be pleased to grant so much of the Land, covered with water, adjoining the said point, as may be necessary to form a harbour, by the continuation of the said pier, in trust for the benefit of the Public, that the sum of five hundred pounds should be drawn, by warrant of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, from the Treasury of the Province, to assist in forming the said Pier, in aid of the inhabitants of the said Gulf Shore, who have subscribed six hundred and twenty-five days labour towards erecting the same.

The chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply: which the House agreed to.

The said Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question, severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Petition of William Falkner, and the same was read, setting forth that the Petitioner entered into a contract, under James Kent, Esquire, Commissioner for the building the Bridge over the Stewiack River, in the year 1810, for the sum of one hundred and thirteen pounds; that the Petitioner has completed said Bridge agreeable to contract, and finds that the expence of building the same far exceeds the Petitioner's calculations and the aforesaid sum: and praying relief.

*Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply: and thereupon, On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same, which report the House agreed to.

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to revive and continue the Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax: and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Lawton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to encourage the Fisheries of this Province, by granting a Bounty on the Importation of Salt: and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be read a second time.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled An Act for the better provision of the Provincial Guager and Weigher.

The Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of Law and Equity in this Province.

And then the messenger withdrew.

On motion, *resolved*, that this House will, on Monday next, take into consideration His Excellency's Estimate for the Civil Establishment for the present year.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to prepare an humble Petition to His Majesty, on the subject of the Quir Rents.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Robie, and Mr. Archibald, be a Committee accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Robie, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to prepare an humble Petition to His Majesty, on the subject of that part of the Vice-Admiralty Court in this Province, called the Instance Court.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Robie, Mr. Ritchie and Mr. Archibald, be a Committee accordingly:

Then the House adjourned, until Monday, at eleven of the clock.

Monday, 18th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Ritchie reported from the committee on the subject of the expiring Laws, and accordingly presented a Bill to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned, and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

An engrossed Bill for the encouragement of Inland Navigation, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation.

An engrossed Bill, to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on new Lands, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on new Lands.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A Bill to revive and continue an Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax; and also,

A Bill to encourage the Fisheries of the Province, by granting a Bounty on the Importation of Salt, were severally read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the said Bills be committed to a committee of the whole House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the Bill for appointing an Especial Agent of this Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. James took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bill without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

Mr. Robie reported from the joint Committee of the Council and this House, on the subject of a Province Building, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read; and thereupon,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the said Report.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. James took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had gone through the Report to them referred, and that the committee had come to a resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the House should proceed in the consideration of the Public Building; upon the plans which have been submitted to the House, without any reference to the report of the joint Committee of His Majesty's Council and the House, on that subject.

The said report was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

On motion, *ordered*, that His Excellency's Estimate for the Civil Establishment for the present year, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House; on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply, which report the House agreed to.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a conference by committee on the subject of the Resolution of this House for granting five hundred pounds for erecting a Pier at Arisaig Point.

And then the messenger withdrew.

On motion, *resolved*, That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Pearson, and Mr. Cunningham, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Archibald reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax, was read a third time, and thereupon,

Mr. Robie moved, that the following engrossed Clause should be added to the said Bill, viz.

"*And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall be and continue in force seven years from the publication thereof, and from thence to the end of the next Session of the General Assembly:" which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion six, against it thirteen; so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Ritchie then moved that the said engrossed clause be added to the said Bill, inserting therein the word "three," in place of the word "seven," which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion eleven, against it nine; so it passed in the affirmative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend an Act, passed in the twentieth year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for Establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax.

An engrossed to enable the Inhabitants of Townships to raise money for defraying the expence attending the running or perambulating the lines and bounds of respective Townships in this Province: was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to enable the inhabitants of each Township to raise money for defraying the expence attending the running or perambulating the lines and bounds of the respective Townships in the Province.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Mr. Lawson reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of Andrew Belcher was referred, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read by the Clerk; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Report do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same: which report the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Tuesday, 19th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned, was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a committee of the whole House.

An engrossed Bill for appointing an Especial Agent of this Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for appointing an Especial Agent of this Province.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to Nineteen Resolutions of this House, for granting the following Sums, viz.

- 50l. for securing the Pier of Avon Bridge.  
 500l. for a Pier at Arisaig Point.  
 100l. for the road from Malignant cove to the Indian Gardens.  
 200l. for the road from the east end of Ardoise road, to the three mile Plain.  
 200l. from Pence's Tavern to the new road upon Ardoise Hill.  
 50l. from the Lakes of St. Mary's River, to the head of the Tide.  
 50l. from the East River of Pictou, to the West Branch of St. Mary's River.  
 100l. from Bear River Bridge, to the bridge over Siffabou River.  
 30l. from Vance's, in Londonderry, to Sutherland's.  
 100l. from Chester to Windsor, in addition to 260l. already granted.  
 30l. for Chevarie bridge.  
 80l. for the road at Cold Brook, and Webster's Hill.  
 40l. for Slake's Causeway, in Onslow.  
 135l. from Windsor Road to Fletcher's in addition to 61l. already granted.  
 100l. from Avon Bridge to the bounds of King's County.  
 200l. from Sackville to the bounds of the County of Hants.  
 250l. from Hammond Plain to the Thirteen Mile Tree on the road from Chester to Windsor.  
 60l. for the road from Horton line to James Bacon's near Mount Denfon.  
 400l. for repairing and rebuilding bridges on the great Public roads.  
 The Council have not agreed to the Resolution of this House, for granting the sum of 12l. for cutting away the Trees that obscure the Light on Briar Island.  
 And then the Messenger withdrew.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act to relieve certain persons who have now on hand a quantity of Pickled Fish packed in Barrels under the size appointed by Law : to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the messenger withdrew.

The said Bill was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the committee, that they had gone through the Bill to revive and continue an Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax—and that he was directed to report the same without any amendments. That the Committee had deferred the consideration of the Bill to encourage the Fisheries of the Province, by granting a Bounty on the Importation of Salt, for three months. The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the Bills to them referred; and thereupon,

Mr. Ritchie moved, that the report of the Committee, so far as it relates to the Salt Bill, be not received by the House, which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nine; against it, ten.



## For the Motion :

Mr. RITCHIE, Mr. CRANE,  
 Mr. ARCHIBALD, Mr. PYKE,  
 Mr. PARKER, Mr. SHEY,  
 Mr. POOL, Mr. COLLINS.  
 Mr. LAWSON,

## Against the Motion :

Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. JAMES,  
 Mr. ROBIE, Mr. WELLS,  
 Mr. PEARSON, Mr. MARSTERS,  
 Mr. BAKER, Mr. WARWICK,  
 Mr. PURDY, Mr. MORTON.

So it passed in the negative.

The said Report was then read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to prevent the forestalling, regrating, and monopolizing, of Cord Wood be engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province ; also to the Bill, entitled, An Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on new Lands ; and also to the Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the inhabitants of each Township to raise money for defraying the expense attending the running or perambulating the lines and bounds of the respective Townships in this Province, severally, without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend an Act, passed in the twentieth year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for Establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the messenger withdrew.

The amendment made by the Council to the Bill last above mentioned was read, and thereupon,

On motion, *resolved*, that a conference be desired with the Council, on the subject of the said amendment, and that the Clerk do request the same accordingly.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Archibald, and Mr. Robie, do manage the said conference.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for appointing an Especial Agent of this Province, with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Council to the Bill above mentioned ; and the same were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the amendments made by them to the same.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council agree to the conference, as desired by this House, immediately, in the Committee-Room of the Council.

And then the messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the managers do attend at the conference.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Ritchie reported that the managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same: which report the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Wednesday, 20th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to relieve certain persons who have now on hand a quantity of Pickled Fish, packed in Barrels under the size appointed by Law, was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

An engrossed Bill to revive and continue an Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to revive and continue an Act, made and passed in the thirty-eighth year of his present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to amend and render more effectual an Act, passed in the eighteenth year of his present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. James took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the committee, that they had gone through the engrossed Bill, entitled, An Act to relieve certain persons who have now on hand a quantity of Pickled Fish, packed in Barrels under the size appointed by Law; and also the Bill to authorize the appointment of Trustees for the Common of the Town of Halifax, in the room of the persons named in the original grant thereof: and that they had directed him to report the said Bills, severally, without any amendment.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee

to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the Bills to them referred ; which report the House agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to authorize the appointment of Trustees for the Common of the Town of Halifax, in the room of the persons named in the original grant thereof, be engrossed.

*Resolved*, That the engrossed Bill from the Council be read a third time to-morrow.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for appointing an Especial Solicitor of this Province, without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the proceedings of the Court of Escheats, with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, *ordered*, that Andrew Belcher be heard by his Council, at the Bar of this House, on Friday next, on the merits of his Petition, and that the Clerk do give notice thereof to the Petitioner.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to revive and continue an Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood, with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the messenger withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Council to the Bill above mentioned ; and the same were read throughout a first and second time, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That this House do not agree to the said amendments, but adhere to their Bill as originally sent up for concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Council, and acquaint them with the foregoing Resolution.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same : which report the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

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Thursday,

Thursday, 21st March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to relieve certain persons who have now on hand a quantity of Pickled Fish, packed in Barrels under the size appointed by Law, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without any amendment.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the appointment of Trustees for the Common of the Town of Halifax, in the room of the persons named in the original grant thereof, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to authorize the appointment of Trustees for the Common of the Town of Halifax, in the room of the persons named in the original grant thereof.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to revive and continue an Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax, without any amendment.

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the appointment of Trustees for the Common of the Town of Halifax, in the room of the Persons named in the original grant thereof.

And then the messenger withdrew.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider the amendments made by the Council to the Escheat Bill.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same, which report the House agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to request that he will be pleased to direct the Secretary of the Province to lay before this House a copy of the Commission granted to the Commissioner of Escheats.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Pyke, Mr. Crane, and Mr. Archibald, be a Committee accordingly.

Mr. Ritchie moved for leave to bring in a Bill for granting a Bounty on the Importation

tation of Salt : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion eleven, against it nine; so it passed in the affirmative; and thereupon,

Mr. Ritchie presented a Bill for granting a Bounty on the Importation of Salt: and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Message from his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Secretary George :  
Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency commands this House to attend His Excellency immediately in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency in the Council Chamber.

And being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the several Bills following, viz.

An Act for the better regulation of Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of Law and Equity in this Province:

An Act to relieve certain Persons who have now on hand a quantity of Pickled Fish, packed in Barrels under the size appointed by Law.

An Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn on new Lands.

An Act to enable the inhabitants of each Township to raise money for defraying the expence attending the running or perambulating the lines and bounds of the respective Townships in this Province.

An Act to revive and continue an Act, made and passed in the thirty-eighth year of his present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to amend and render more effectual an Act, passed in the eighteenth year of his present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the Public Building.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. James took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to a resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered the resolution in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the Public Building, which the Province are about to build, should be, in length, One Hundred and Forty Feet; in breadth, Seventy Feet; and in height, Forty-Two Feet; and that it will be expedient to adopt the elevation of such building, to a plan which has been formed by Mr. John Merrick; and that the materials, of which the said building shall be formed, shall be of Stone.

The chairman also acquainted the House that the committee had directed him to  
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move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the business to them referred which report the House agreed to.

The said resolution was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolution to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Mr. Morton reported from the Committee to whom the petition of Garret Miller; the petition of Enos Collins, and the petition of Prescott, Lawton, & Co. were referred, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said report be referred to a Committee of Supply.

Mr. Secretary George, by order of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, delivered to the House an account of William Minns, Printer, for sundry printing performed for Government, between the 22d April, 1808, and 7th December, 1810, amounting to £.37 3 6.

*Ordered*, That the said account be referred to a Committee of Supply.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred; and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same, which report the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at ten of the clock.

Friday, 22d March, 1811.

#### PRAYERS.

A Bill for granting a Bounty on the Importation of Salt, was read a second time.  
*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a committee of the whole House.

On motion, the Order of the Day was read; and thereupon,

The Petition of Andrew Belcher, and the Report of the Committee to whom the same was referred, were read by the Clerk; and the House having also heard Counsel at the Bar of the House, on behalf of the Petitioner, in support of his Petition; thereupon,

On motion *ordered*; that the Petition of Andrew Belcher, and the report of the committee on the subject of the same, be referred to the committee of Supply.

Mr. Pyke reported from the committee, appointed to wait on his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Resolution of this House, on the subject of the Commission granted to the Commissioner of Escheats; that the committee had waited on his Excellency accordingly, and that his Excellency had been pleased to furnish the

committee with a copy of the said Commission; and Mr. Pyke accordingly delivered the said copy to the House, which was read by the Clerk, and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Paper do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this House, of yesterday, on the subject of the Province Building:

And then the messenger withdrew.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House; on the consideration of the Bill for granting a Bounty on the Importation of Salt.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had deferred the consideration of the said Bill to This Day Three Months; and thereupon,

Mr. Ritchie moved, that the said report be not received by the House, which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eight; against it, twelve.

For the Motion :

Mr. PARKER,	Mr. ARCHIBALD,
Mr. PYKE,	Mr. RITCHIE,
Mr. CRANE,	Mr. LAWSON,
Mr. POOL,	Mr. SHAW,

Against the Motion :

Mr. SHEY,	Mr. WELLS,
Mr. BAKER,	Mr. JAMES
Mr. MARSTERS,	Mr. ROBIE,
Mr. MORTON,	Mr. WARWICK,
Mr. DEWOLF,	Mr. DIMOCK,
Mr. PEARSON,	Mr. PURDY.

So it passed in the negative.

The Report was then read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to confer with the Council on the subject of the amendments proposed by them to the Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the proceedings of the Court of Escheats.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Ritchie and Mr. Haliburton, be a Committee accordingly.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same: which report the House agreed to.

On motion, *resolved*, that a committee be appointed to examine into the state of the Public Records of the Province, and report to the House the situation of the same, and, also, the sum which shall to them appear requisite, to be provided, for making an Index to the said Records, and otherwise preserving them for the Public benefit.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. Wells and Mr. Robie, be a committee accordingly.

Mr. Shey reported from the committee on the subject of the proposed alteration of the public road near M<sup>c</sup>Alpin's, and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

That the committee have examined the ground over which the road, proposed to be altered, would pass; also, called upon Mr. Fliagher, Deputy-Surveyor, who has given them a plan of said alteration, also the difference of distance that will be gained by said alteration, which appears to be not more than sixty rods, the extent of a new road would be four hundred rods, of which ninety rods is rocky ground, the remainder a soft bog; the probable expense of making said road, if soldiers, or other persons at equally reduced prices, could be had, would amount to upwards of 700*l.* and if not to nearly double as much; that the committee are informed that no remuneration will be required for any ground through which the said road may pass, but that the occupants expect that the walls on each side of the road will be made, and kept up by the Public. That the committee consider it their duty to mention, that different sites for a road have been pointed out by many gentlemen of this Town, which, if examined, might possibly be found more eligible, and be made, perhaps, at less expense, there being no bogs or swamps of any consequence to encounter.

*Ordered*, That the said Report do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Saturday, 23<sup>d</sup> March, 1811.

#### PRAYERS.

On motion, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to report on the expediency of providing a Provincial Prison; and also for the better accommodation of the Transient Poor of the Province.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Pyke, Mr. Morton and Mr. Lawson, be a Committee for the above purpose.

On motion, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for the Erection of a Province Building.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Robie and Mr. Lawson, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Mr. Ritchie delivered to the House an account from the Commissioner, appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, for the expenditure of monies granted by the Legislature, in the years 1808 and 1809, to defray the expense of providing Furniture for the Government House.

*Ordered*, That the said Account do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to enquire into the Expenditure of the Monies heretofore granted to purchase Furniture for the new Government House, and to obtain an Inventory of the said Furniture.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Pearson and Mr. James, be a Committee accordingly. On



On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of eighty-nine pounds eight shillings and six pence, should be granted to Charles R. Prescott, William Lawson and Joseph Allison, in full for the Sunk Duty retained by the Collector of Impost and Excise for the District of Halifax, on a certain quantity of Coffee by them imported from the Island of St. Domingo, and afterwards exported to Liverpool, in Great-Britain, and lost at sea.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one hundred and thirty-three pounds eighteen shillings and eleven pence, should be granted to Garret Miller, in full for a drawback of Duties on certain Articles by him exported to Quebec, Cape-Breton and New-Brunswick, to the eleventh day of May, 1809.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of ten pounds should be granted to Ebenezer Wheaton, towards his support for the present year, in consideration of his being deprived of the use of one of his arms, which disability happened while he was employed in the Second Battalion of Embodied Militia, on duty at Halifax in the Winter of the Year 1807.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of six pounds three shillings and six pence, should be granted to Jones Fawson, Provost Marshal, for Bread supplied to John Kelly, a Provincial Prisoner, convicted of Piracy.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of forty pounds should be granted to William Salter, in compensation for monies expended by him upon the Kenetcook Bridge, in the County of Hants, beyond the sum voted for that purpose.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of sixty-nine pounds twelve shillings and one penny, should be granted to Enos Collins, in full for the Sunk Duty retained by the Collector of Impost and Excise at Halifax, on a certain quantity of Coffee by him imported from the Island of St. Domingo, and afterwards exported to London in the Ship Heroine and taken by the French.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of twelve pounds seventeen shillings, should be granted to Marble Wood, for lodgings furnished to His Majesty's Troops when marching by order of his Excellency the Lieutenant General Commanding, per Certificates.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of thirty-nine pounds, should be granted to John Howe and Son, in full for printing Forms of Prayers, per Account.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of sixteen pounds should be granted to William Campbell, Esq. being for his services as one of the Commissioners for expending the sum of 986l. 6s. 3d. on the new road from the Avon bridge to Bishop's bridge in Horton, in the years 1799 and 1800.

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of fifty pounds, should be granted to assist the Inhabitants upon the Cornwallis river to lower the bed of the said river, to be drawn by warrant from the Treasury of the Province whenever it shall be duly certified to the Lieutenant Governor that the Inhabitants upon the said river have expended one hundred days labour towards the said work, which they have subscribed to perform, in addition to any sum which might be granted for that purpose.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of thirty pounds, should be granted to the Commissioners of the Poor of Halifax, to be by them applied in the relief of the indigent debtors confined in the Halifax Jail.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of six pounds, should be granted to Nathaniel Brown, in full for his services in exploring and marking out a public road between the Settlement of Margomithe and Dorchester.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of twenty-five pounds should be granted to William Canady, to enable him to defray the expence incurred for the subsistence and care of his late Son, Dennison Canady, deceased, who became delirious while engaged in Militia duty at Halifax, in the winter of the year 1808, and remained in that unfortunate state to the time of his decease.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of forty pounds, should be granted to William Falkner, in compensation for monies expended by him upon the Stewack bridge, beyond the sum voted for that purpose.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of twenty-three pounds six shillings and eight pence, should be granted to Richard John Uniacke, Junior, as a compensation in full for his services and expenses in attending a Special Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, at Liverpool, in September last.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of thirty-seven pounds three shillings and six pence, should be granted to William Minns, in full, for printing for Government, between the 22d April, 1808, and 7th December, 1810, per account.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of twenty-six pounds twelve shillings and six pence, should be granted to Nathaniel Parker, in full for his services and expenses by him incurred in the exploring and surveying the public road leading from Nictaur to Liverpool, per account.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one hundred pounds should be granted to aid the inhabitants to remove the obstructions in the Annapolis river, between the head of the tide and the house of James Harris in Aylesford.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of five hundred pounds should be granted for the erection of a Light House, and a House for a Keeper in the south-west end of Coffin's Island, at the entrance of Liverpool Harbour, under the direction of a commissioner or commissioners to be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, for that purpose.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply, which the House agreed to.

The said resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the more easy recovery of Debts against Co-Partners and Joint Debtors ; and, also,

The Bill, entitled, An Act to establish Grammar Schools in several Counties and Districts of this Province, with several amendments to the same respectively, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council request a conference by committee on the subject of the Inland Navigation Bill.

And then the messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Pool, Mr. Morton and Mr. Pearson, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Pool reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

Then the House adjourned until Monday, at eleven of the clock.

Monday, 25th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council have agreed to sixteen resolutions of this House, for granting the following sums :

89l. 8s. 6d. to Prescott, Lawson & Allison

133l. 18s. 11d. to Garret Miller

10l. to Ebenezer Wheaton

6l. 3s. 6d. to Jones Fawson

40l. to William Salter

69l. 12s. 1d. to Enos Collins

39l. to John Howe & Son

16l. to William Campbell

30l. to Indigent Debtors

6l. to Nathaniel Brown

25l. to William Canady

40l. to William Falkner

23l. 6s. 8d. to Richard John Uniacke, Junior  
 37l. 3s. 6d. to William Miuns  
 26l. 12s. 6d. to Nathaniel Parker  
 500l. for the erection of a Light House at Liverpool.

The Council have not agreed to three Resolutions of this House, for granting the following sums :

12l. 17s. to Marble Wood  
 50l. for clearing Cornwallis river  
 100l. for clearing Annapolis river.

And then the messenger withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation, and the same was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the amendment made by them to the same.

On motion the amendments made by the Council to the Bill to establish Grammar Schools in several Counties and Districts of this Province, were read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That a conference be desired with the Council, by committee, on the subject matter of the said amendments, and that the Clerk do request the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Ritchie, and Mr. Pearson, do manage the said conference.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Province Building.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to two resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the Assembly-Room should be in the south end of the building, and the length to be the breadth of the building, and the breadth of it to be thirty-two feet. The Council Chamber also to be of the same dimensions; and as the House has not time to make a proper disposition of the rest of the interior of the building, it is proposed that His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor should be requested, with the advice and assistance of S. S. Blowers, President of His Majesty's Council, the Honorable Edward B. Brenton, Lewis M. Wilkins, Esquire, Speaker of the Assembly, and Foster Hutchinson, Esquire, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, to make such arrangement of the other apartments of the building as shall be thought proper, and that the same shall be completed by the Commissioners according to such plan as shall be by His Excellency directed.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that any three of the following persons, viz : John Merrick, George Grassie, John Stayner, Winkworth Allan,  
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John Pryor, and Richard Tremain, will be fit and proper persons to act as Commissioners for conducting and superintending the building of the said Province House, and that their names should be submitted to his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to nominate any three of them that he may think proper for the above purpose, and that the said persons when appointed as Commissioners, should be accountable to the Legislature from time to time, and shall receive three per cent. upon the amount of the expenditure.

The chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the business to them referred; which the House agreed to.

The said Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*, That the foregoing resolutions, and also the resolution of this House of the 21st instant, on the subject of a Province House, be communicated to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by Mr. Speaker.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of five thousand pounds should be granted towards purchasing materials and commencing the building of the Province-House, for the present year.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that agreeably to the plan and estimate laid before the House, by Mr. John Merrick, for the Province Building, the sum of twenty thousand pounds will be sufficient to complete the said Building.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of fifteen pounds should be granted to John Archibald, in part of his claim for twenty-six pounds, expended on the road from Halifax to Truro in the year 1806, for which he has received no compensation.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of thirty pounds should be granted for defraying the expense of the Funeral of the late James Gautier, Esq. to be paid to such person as his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor may direct.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of seven hundred pounds should be granted to the person or persons who shall first, within three years, erect in this Province, a Furnace for making of Iron, to be paid when one hundred tons of good pig iron shall be made at such furnace from iron ore, the produce of this Province; and a further sum of 500l. to the said person or persons, when ten tons of good hollow ware shall be made and manufactured at such furnace.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that such persons as have imported and sold in this Province, in the year 1810, Salt, under the regulations of an

Act, passed in the forty-ninth year of his Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to encourage the Fisheries of the Province, by granting a bounty on the importation of Salt, and for regulating and imposing a duty on the exportation of Salt, who have not been paid the bounty granted by the said Act, in consequence of the sum granted for that purpose not having been sufficient, be paid their respective sums due for such bounties, and that a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds, be granted for the purpose aforesaid.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply, which the House agreed to.

The said resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Tuesday, 26th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a copy of a resolution, passed in the House of Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, which he had received from the Speaker of the said House, and is as follows, viz:—

*House of Assembly, Fredericton, 13th March, 1810.*

“ Upon motion made and seconded, the House agreed unanimously to the following resolution:—

“ Whereas Gypsum; commonly called Plaster of Paris, is found in great abundance in this Province, in the Province of Nova-Scotia, and in the Island of Cape Breton; and the same article being in great demand in the United States of America, might be rendered a very productive source of revenue to the said Provinces and Island if proper measures could be adopted by their respective Governments in concert with each other for that purpose; to be sanctioned with the Royal Approbation to be thereunto had and obtained.”

“ *Resolved*, That this House will be ready to join with the Assembly of the Province of Nova-Scotia in any measures to effect so important an object, that may upon due deliberation be thought adviseable and practicable, and that to this end a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Speaker of this House to the Speaker of the Assembly of the Province of Nova-Scotia, in the hope that this subject may be taken into consideration by that Assembly in their next Session, and some plan suggested for accomplishing a purpose which may prove so extensively beneficial to the interests of both Provinces.”

*Ordered*, That the said Resolution do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. Speaker reported to the House that he had waited on his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the resolutions of this House respecting the Province Building, and that his Excellency was pleased to say that he was satisfied with the said resolutions.

Mr. Pearson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to prevent the spreading of Fires in the Township of Truro, and the same was read a first time.

On motion, *resolved*, That the said Bill be now read a second time, and the said Bill was read a second time accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Province Building.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to a resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that John Merrick, George Grassie, and Winckworth Allan, should be Commissioners for conducting and superintending the building of the Province House.

The said Resolution was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the Bill to prevent the spreading of Fires in the Township of Truro.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to them referred, and had made several amendments thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered the Bill, with the amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

The said amendments were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

On motion the amendments made by the Council to the Co-Partner and Joint Debtor Bill, were read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That a conference be desired with the Council, by committee, on the subject of the said amendments, and that the Clerk do request the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Ritchie, and Mr. Pearson, do manage the said conference.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council agree to the conference as requested by this House on the subject of the amendments made by the Council, respectively, to the Escheat Bill, the Grammar School Bill, and the Co-Partner and Joint Debtor Bill, immediately, in the committee room of the Council.

And then the messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the managers do attend accordingly.

And

And the names of the managers were called over.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Archibald reported that the managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

Mr. Pyke reported from the committee appointed to examine into the expediency of providing a Provincial Prison, and also for the accommodation of the Transient Poor and Lunatics, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

That it appears to the committee, that the Poor-House of the Town of Halifax is insufficient to contain the number of poor now therein, and by no means calculated for the accommodation of Lunatics, and therefore recommend that the sum of 1000l. should be granted to the Commissioners of the Poor to enable them to make an addition to the present building for the reception of transient poor and lunatics from any part of the Province, and that the committee are of opinion that it is not expedient at present to provide for a Provincial Prison.

*Ordered,* That the said report be referred to a Committee of Supply.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation, without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to two resolutions of this House, for granting the following sums, viz :

30l. for defraying the expenses of James Gautier's funeral.

15l. to John Archibald.

The Council request a further conference by committee, on the subject matter of the last conference, immediately, in the committee-room of the Council.

And then the messenger withdrew.

*Resolved,* That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by the Council; and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered,* That the managers who managed the last conference, do manage this conference.

And the names of the managers were called over.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Archibald reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House, and also delivered to the House the amendments made respectively to the Escheat Bill, the Grammar School Bill, and the Co-partner and Joint Debtor Bill, as conferred on by the committee of the Council and the Managers of the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a conference by committee on the subject of the resolution of this House for granting a bounty on Salt, and also the resolution for granting a bounty on Iron, immediately in the committee-room of the Council.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved,*



*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Shaw, and Mr. Collins, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Haliburton reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to the Resolution of this House, for granting twelve hundred pounds for the manufacture of Iron.

And then the messenger withdrew.

Pursuant to leave given a Petition of the Commissioners of the Poor for the Town of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Pyke, and read, praying that the Act of this Province laying an impost duty on articles imported from the United States of America, might be revived.

*Ordered*, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. Robie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in amendment of the Act, passed in the the thirty-second year of his Majesty's reign, for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a duty of Excise, &c. and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same, which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-mor row, at eleven of the clock.

Wednesday, 27th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Bill in amendment of the Act, passed in the 32d year of his Majesty's reign, for the further increase of the revenue, by raising a duty of Excise, &c. was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

An engrossed Bill to prevent the spreading of Fires in the Township of Truro, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to prevent the spreading of Fires in the several Towns and Villages of this Province.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Mr. Archibald moved that the House do come to the following Resolution, viz :

*Resolved*, That as many persons may have been induced to make shipments of Salt to this Province, in consequence of the Law granting a bounty on the importation of that article, and as many persons may still be induced to make such shipment before notice can be given by their correspondents in this Province that the said Law is expired : *resolved*, therefore, that all Salt which shall be imported into this Province until the first day of September next, and sold previous to that period, which shall be sold and disposed of under the regulations of the said Act, shall entitle the owner, importer, or consignee to the bounty granted by the said Act, and that a sum not exceeding                    pounds, be granted for that purpose, and for the payment of such bounties as remain due upon the importations made in the year 1810 ; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven ; against it, eleven.

For the Motion :

Mr. PARKER,	Mr. WARWICK,
Mr. COLLINS,	Mr. RITCHIE,
Mr. POOL,	Mr. SHAW,
Mr. PYKE,	Mr. CRANE,
Mr. LAWSON,	Mr. HALIBURTON.
Mr. ARCHIBALD,	

Against the Motion

Mr. JAMES	Mr. MARSTERS,
Mr. PEARSON,	Mr. DIMOCK,
Mr. ROBIE,	Mr. DEWOLF,
Mr. PURDY,	Mr. WELLS,
Mr. MORTON,	Mr. BAKER,
Mr. SHEY,	

Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote against the motion : so it passed in the negative.

On motion, *resolved*, that a further conference be desired with the Council, on the amendment made by the Council to the Halifax Grammar School Bill, and that the Clerk do request the same accordingly.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Ritchie, and Mr. Haliburton, do manage the said conference.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council agree to the conference as desired by this House, immediately, in the committee room of the Council.

And then the messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the managers do attend at the conference.

And the names of the managers were called over.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Archibald reported that the managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

Mr. Secretary George, by order of his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, delivered to the House an account of Expenditures by the Commissioners of the Philadelphia Grant, amounting to £166 13 0 ; also, a list of the names of the persons to be included in the new Grant ; also an account of Expenditures by the Commissioners of the Douglass Grant, amounting to £127 1 0 ; and also, a list of the persons to be included in the new Grant.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts and Papers do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

Mr. Robie reported from the committee, appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for erecting a Province House, and accordingly presented a Bill for erecting a Province House, and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker returned the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a premium of two hundred and fifty pounds should be granted to the first adventurer, being an inhabitant of this Province, who shall within four years erect and build in this Province, a good and sufficient Bloomery, or Forge, at which shall be made, from ore of the Province, twenty tons, at the least, of good merchantable Bar Iron, within six months after such Forge shall be erected. Also, a premium of three hundred and fifty pounds to the first adventurer, being an inhabitant of this Province, who, within the time aforesaid, shall build a good and sufficient Finery in the Province, at which there shall be manufactured and made twenty tons, at the least, of good merchantable refined Bar Iron, within six months after the same shall be erected. And also a premium of six hundred pounds to the first adventurer, being an inhabitant of this Province, who shall, within the time aforesaid, erect and build a good and sufficient Furnace in this Province, at which shall be made, within six months after the same shall be built, sixty tons of good merchantable Pig Iron, and ten tons of good merchantable Hollow Ware.

*Resolved*. That it is the opinion of this committee, that it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, to draw by warrant on the Treasury, in favor of such person or persons as he may think proper, for the sum of five hundred pounds, to be expended under his orders and directions for the providing Knapfacks, and such other articles as he may deem necessary to be supplied to such private men of the first battalions of the Militia as shall be called into service.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of five pounds should be granted to J. H. Fliegher, for his services in surveying and measuring the proposed road from M'Alpin's to Mr. Liddle's farm, and for preparing a plan and paying chainmen.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one thousand pounds should be granted to the Commissioners of the Poor of Halifax, to enable them to make an addition to the building now occupied by the transient Poor for their better accommodation, and also for the reception and accommodation of Lunatick persons from different parts of the Province—the same to be drawn for by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by warrant on the Treasury, in favor of the said commissioners.

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of two hundred pounds should be granted to assist the Yarmouth Lock Proprietors in effecting a communication between the water of Lake George and the water of the Lakes connected with Cape Forchue Harbour : the said sum to be drawn from the Treasury whenever it shall be certified to the Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being; that the said Lock Proprietors have completed the Locks necessary to effect the navigation into the Lakes connected with the said harbour of Cape Forchue.

The chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply, which the House agreed to.

The said resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

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**Thursday, 28th March, 1811.**

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**PRAYERS.**

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to alter the Act to regulate the expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Bill for erecting a Province House, was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

On motion the amendments made by the Council to the Escheat Bill, Halifax School Bill, and also the Bill for establishing Grammar Schools in several Counties and Districts of the Province, as reported by the Committee of conference on the 26th instant, were severally read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to the said amendments as reported by the committee of conference.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the respective Bills to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the amendments made by them to the said Bills.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to establish Grammar Schools in several Counties and Districts of this Province; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend an Act passed in the twentieth year of his Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the proceedings of the Court of Escheats, severally, without any amendment.

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The Council request a conference by committee on the subject of the Bill to prevent the spreading of Fires in the several Towns and Villages of this Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Pearson, Mr. Dimock, and Mr. Shey, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Pearson reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent the spreading of Fires in the several Towns and Villages of this Province.

The Council have not agreed to the Resolution of this House, for granting the sum of one thousand pounds to discharge the sums due for a bounty on Salt.

And then the messenger withdrew.

Mr. Pyke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to revive the Act for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province, by laying an impost duty on articles imported from the United States of America, and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to a resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of eleven hundred and fifty-six pounds eight shillings and six pence, should be granted to Andrew Belcher, in full of his claim for a drawback of Duties, paid by him on articles imported for, and issued to, His Majesty's Navy, to the 31st December, 1810.

The chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply, which the House agreed to.

The said resolution was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolution to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Friday,

Friday, 29th March, 1811.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to alter the Act to regulate the expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges; and also,

A Bill to revive the Act for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province, by laying an impost duty on articles imported from the United States of America, were severally read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

On motion, of Mr. Dimock, *resolved*, that the sum of fifty pounds granted in the last Session of General Assembly for repairing the Meander Bridge, and not yet drawn from the Treasury, be appropriated for building a new Bridge over the said River.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolution to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to four resolutions of this House, for granting the following sums; viz:

1000l. to the Commissioners of the Poor of Halifax.

1200l. for encouraging the manufacture of Iron.

5l. to J. H. Fliagher.

500l. for Knapfacks, &c. for the Militia.

The Council have not agreed to the Resolution of this House, for granting two hundred pounds to the Yarmouth Lock Proprietors.

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this House respecting the Meander Bridge.

And then the messenger withdrew.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill for erecting a Province House; and had made several amendments thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House. That the committee had directed him to report the Bill to alter the Act to regulate the Expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges; also, the Bill to revive the Act for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province, by laying an impost duty on articles imported from the United States of America; and, also the Bill, in amendment of an Act, passed in the 32d year of his Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the further increase of the revenue, by raising a duty of Excise, &c. severally, without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the said Bills, with the amendments to the Bill first mentioned, in at the Clerk's Table.

The chairman also acquainted the House that the committee had directed him to

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move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills to them referred, which the House agreed to.

The amendments to the Bill, as reported from the committee, were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bills, and the foregoing amendments, be engrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Council to the Co-Partner Bill, and the same were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the amendments made by them to the same.

On motion, *resolved*, that a committee be appointed to ascertain whether a suitable place can be procured for the accommodation of the Legislature after the present Session, and at what rate.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Archibald and Mr. Ritchie, be a Committee accordingly.

Mr. Archibald reported from the committee on the subject of the petition of the Magistrates of the County of Halifax; and also of the Public Markets at Halifax; and he read the report in his place; and thereupon,

Mr. Haliburton moved, that the said report be not received by the House, which, being seconded and put, passed in the affirmative.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

Saturday, 30th March, 1811.

#### PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill for erecting a Province House, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for erecting a Province House, on the ground where the old Government houses now stands, for the meeting of the different Branches of the Legislature, and other public purposes.

An engrossed Bill in amendment of the Act passed in the the thirty-second year of his Majesty's reign, for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a duty of Excise, &c. was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act, in amendment of an Act, passed in the thirty-second year of the reign of his present Majesty, entitled, An Act for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise, on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandise imported into this Province.

An engrossed Bill to alter an Act to regulate the expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to alter an Act, entitled, An Act to regulate the expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges.

An engrossed Bill to revive the Act for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province, by laying an Impost Duty on articles imported from the United States of America, was read a third time.

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass; and that the title be; An Act to revive and continue an Act, made and passed in the 29th year of his present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province, by laying an Imposit Duty on all articles imported into this Province from the United States of America.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Mr. Ritchie reported from the committee appointed to examine into the expenditure of Monies granted for the purchase of Furniture for the Government House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

That the committee have examined the account of the commissioner appointed to expend the said sums of money, and find that he has paid His Excellency Sir GEORGE PREVOST, for the several articles of Furniture in the schedule No. 1, hereunto annexed, marked letter A. the greater part of which were imported from England by His Excellency, and the remainder of them were purchased by him from Sir JOHN WENTWORTH, which articles it appears His Excellency was pleased to offer to the Province at the first cost thereof; the amount so paid being 766l. 18s. 4½d. currency. That the articles of Furniture, marked B. in the said schedule, appear to have been imported from London by the said commissioner, and to have cost 228l. 17s. 10d. currency, including the expenses thereon; and that the articles marked C. in the said schedule, were purchased by the said commissioner in Halifax, and appear to have cost 184l. 2s. 5½d. The whole cost of the said Furniture amounts 1,179l. 18s. 8½d. and on the whole of which sum the commissioner has in his account charged a commission of five per cent. making 58l. 19s. 6d. That the committee further report that it appears to them that the commissioner has purchased no article of Furniture but what the Estimate laid before the House in 1808 contained, except two Sophas for the Drawing-room, which appear to have cost 34l. 6s. sterling, and except two Glasses for the Saloon in lieu of the two Glasses purchased by His Excellency, the same being too small, the increased expense in consequence is 32l. 15s.

That the committee further report, that the Estimate for Furniture for the new Government-House, as submitted to the House in the year 1808, amounted to 1,098l. 6s. 8½d. That the Assembly in its last sitting granted the sum of 800l. 6s. 8d. to purchase Furniture, which, with the sum of 250l. heretofore granted for the like purpose, amounted to 1050l. 16s. 8d. leaving a deficiency of 47l. 10s. 0½d.

The committee further report, that of the Furniture purchased by the Province for the Government-House during the administration of Sir JOHN WENTWORTH, and received by His Excellency Sir GEORGE PREVOST, a part was sold at auction by order of His Excellency, the same so sold being worn out and useless, the sales thereof amounted to 34l. 9s. 5d. which sum the commissioner has received and given credit for in his account, leaving a balance in favour of the commissioner of the sum of 153l. 7s. 1½d.

The committee further report, that the schedule marked A. contains the Furniture purchased by the Province for the new Government-House, and now in the possession of His Excellency Sir GEORGE PREVOST, and that the schedule marked number 2, contains articles of Furniture purchased by the Province and not accounted for.



## Schedule, No. 1, to which the report refers ::

<i>Levee Room.</i>		<i>Sterling.</i>	<i>Currency.</i>
A.	{ 7 Turkish Sophas	£70 15 6	
	{ 12 Chairs, with cane bottoms	23 14 0	
	{ Cushions and Covers for do.	14 14 0	
	{ 3 Lustres to suspend from the ceiling	62 10 0	
	{ Chains, Rings, Pullies, for do.	11 15 0	
	{ Extra Glafs Drops, Packing Cafe for do.	3 15 0	
	{ 2 Hearth Rugs		8 0 0
C.	A Looking Glafs, first cost, paid Mr. Hartshorne		31 5 0
B.	A Frame for do.	5 18 0	
	Fitting the Frame for do.		1 13 0
B.	7 Branches for sides of the wall	14 1 6	
C.	2 sets of Fire Irons and Fenders		5 15 0

## SALOON.

A.	{ A Brussels Carpet to fit the room	41 11 11	
	{ Cutting out and making do.	2 19 6	
A.	{ A fine Rug to match the Carpet	4 0 0	
	{ Window Curtains of fine cloth	91 5 6	
A.	{ 1 pair fire Screens	7 10 0	
	{ Chimney Candlesticks	1 7 0	
	{ 2 handsome mahogany tables	21 0 0	
	{ 2 pair Tables		15 0 0
A.	{ 1 large Looking Glafs		8 15 0
	{ 1 pair of Chandeliers		3 0 0
C.	{ 2 Looking Glasses from Mr. Hart		41 0 0
	{ Frames for Saloon Glasses and fitting		7 0 0

## DRAWING ROOM.

A.	{ 1 Brussels Carpet to fit the Room	£47 1 7½	
	{ Cutting out and making do.	3 5 0	
	{ 1 Fire Rug	4 0 0	
	{ 24 Chairs, cane bottoms	47 8 0	
	{ Cushions and covers for do.	33 0 0	
	{ 1 Lustre to suspend from the ceiling	21 0 0	
	{ A handsome mahogany Commode	23 2 0	
	{ 2 Chimney Lustres	6 6 0	
	{ 2 Mahogany Tables	21 0 0	
	{ 1 do. Commode, do.	10 10 0	
	{ 1 pair Fire Screens	7 10 0	
	{ Fire Irons and Fenders of Sir John Wentworth		2 10 0
C.	4 Chairs with arms		20 15 0
B.	{ 4 Cornices, with tinned rods, laths, } brackets, curtains and draperies	48 18 6	
	{ 2 Sophas, with bolsters & cotton cases	34 6 0	
C.	1 Looking Glafs, first cost, of Mr. Hartshorne		31 5 0
B.	{ Frame for do.	5 18 0	
	{ Fitting do.		1 13 0

DINING

## DINING ROOM.

	Sterling.	Currency.
B. 24 mahogany chairs	£55 4 0	
A. 1 Hearth Rug, purchased of Sir John Westworth		4 0 0
C. { 6 Window Curtains, Cornices, Drape- ries, and making up Floor Cloth for side board		45 2 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 2 0 0

## CHARGES.

A. { Packing cases for part of the Furniture imported by his Excellency Sir George Prevost	42 2 0
{ And carriage to Portsmouth	30 0 0
B. { Packing cases, insurance, entry, freight, &c. for the remainder	38 10 2

Schedule, No. 2, to which the report refers :

Two Reflectors

One Water Closet, with the appurtenances.

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Schedule of Furniture purchased by the Province for the new Government House, now  
in the possession of His Excellency Sir GEORGE PREVOST, 28th March, 1811.

## LEVEE ROOM.

Seven Turkish Sophas

Twelve Chairs, with cane bottoms

Cushions and Covers for do.

Three Lustres to suspend from the ceiling, Chains, Rings, Pullies, &c. for the same.

Extra Glass Drops, for do.

Two Hearth Rugs

One Looking Glass

Seven Branches for sides of the wall

Two sets of Fire Irons and Fenders

Cotton Blinds to all the Windows

Drapery for the Cornice, and three Grates

## SALOON.

A Brussels Carpet

A fire Rug

Window Curtains of fine cloth

One pair fire Screens

Chimney Candlesticks

Two Mahogany Tables

Two pair Tables

One large Looking Glass

One pair of Chandeliers

Two Looking Glasses purchased from Mr. Hart

Two blue Satin Sophas

Twelve do. Armed Chairs

Two large Arm Chairs

Eighteen Chairs without arms

One Steel Register Stove

China Ornaments

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DRAWING

## DRAWING ROOM.

A Brussels Carpet  
 One Fire Rug  
 Twenty-four Chairs, cane bottoms with cushions and covers for the same  
 A Lustre to suspend from the ceiling  
 A mahogany Commode  
 Two Chimney Lustres  
 Two Mahogany Tables  
 One do. do.  
 One pair of Fire Screens  
 Four Chairs with arms  
 Fire Irons and Fenders  
 Four Cornices, with tinned rods, laths, brackets, curtains and draperies  
 Two Sophas, with bolsters & cotton cases  
 One Looking Glass  
 One Grate

## DINING ROOM.

Twenty-four Mahogany Chairs  
 One Hearth Rug  
 Six Window Curtains, Cornices and Draperies  
 A Floor Cloth for the side board  
 One Carpet  
 A set of Dining Tables (mahogany)  
 A Side Board (mahogany)  
 Two Reflectors  
 One Grate

*In the two Waiting Rooms :*

Two Grates.

*In the Hall :*

Two Lanthorns and two Foot Scrapers.

*In the Kitchen :*

A Smoke Jack and Stone Plate.

*In the Hall below Stairs :*

Two close Stoves.

*In the Nursery :*

One brass Register Stove.

*In the Chambers :*

Three Grates.

One Water Closet complete.

*Ordered,* That the said report be referred to a Committee of Supply.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of His Excellency's Message respecting the Douglass and Philadelphia Grants, and also on the consideration of the several Papers relative to the same.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Shaw took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the business

Business to them referred, and that the committee had come to a resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that as the Grants of the said Townships were escheated under a promise of His Majesty's Officers who were appointed to conduct the escheats, that the Settlers who were actually on the said Grants, claiming titles, either by purchase from the original proprietors of said Grants, or who were entitled to hold from their improvements as original Grantees, should be confirmed in their possessions without any expence whatever, the House ought not to grant any money for that purpose.

The said resolution was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the more easy recovery of Debts against Co-Partners and Joint Debtors; also,

The Bill, entitled, An Act for erecting a Province House, on the ground where the old Government House now stands, for the meeting of the different Branches of the Legislature, and other public purposes ; and also,

The Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the thirty-second year of the reign of his present Majesty, entitled, An Act for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise, on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandise imported into this Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Dimock, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in addition to an Act to provide for the accommodation of his Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia, when on their march, and the same was read a first time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of fifty pounds should be granted to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, to defray the expence of the Assistant Clerk, Extra Clerk, Servants, and other incidental expences, during the present Session, to be approved by the Committee of Public Accounts.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum not exceeding twenty pounds should be granted to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, to defray the expence of Stationary for the use of His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly ;

and

and also for the purchase of Fuel for the House of Assembly, during the present Session.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one hundred and fifteen pounds and five pence halfpenny should be granted to the Honorable Richard John Uniacke, Commissioner for purchasing Furniture for the Government House, in full for his demand on that account.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum not exceeding two hundred pounds should be granted for raising the Chimnies, and making fundry repairs to the Government House.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply, which the House agreed to.

The said Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Mr. Archibald reported from the committee on the subject of providing a suitable place for the sitting of the Legislature, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

That the Committee had applied to Mr. Cochran, who has proposed to rent to the Province the west end of the large Buildings in Halifax as heretofore occupied for public uses upon the same terms as they formerly were occupied, that is to say, £.300 per annum, in quarterly payments, to commence the first day of April next. Mr. Cochran will fit up the Buildings (at his expense) under the directions of such persons as the House may appoint to superintend the same, and will submit the account of the same to the Assembly in their next Session, for examination and payment; and that it was understood and agreed by Mr. Cochran that he was to keep the Building in complete repair at his own expense, as long as they may think proper, under the said terms, and six months is understood as the time of notice of their intending to quit the said Building.

On motion of Mr. Haliburton, *resolved*, that the sum of £.634 12 3. slated to be in the hands of Michael Wallace, Esq. late Commissioner of the Market Houses, be paid into the Treasury of the Province.

*Resolved*, That the sum of £.571 18 8, by the said Commissioner applied for building a breast work and Slip to the Fish Market, and breast work and Slip for a landing to the Market, so called, has been improperly applied to those purposes, and that owing to the late period of the Session, the House forbear to take measures to cause the Commissioner to refund the same, but will consider the subject at the next Session.

Then the House adjourned until Monday, at ten of the clock.

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Monday, 1st April, 1811.

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PRAYERS.

Mr. Lawton reported from the committee on the subject of the Public Records of

of the Province, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

That the Committee have inspected the Records, and find that there are forty Grant Books, which all require binding, and many of them Indexes to be made to them; and that £.150 will probably be sufficient for that purpose.

Mr. Lawson reported from the joint committee of His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly, appointed to examine the Public Accounts, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

That the committee of His Majesty's Council, and the House of Assembly, have examined the Account of Elijah Crane, commissioner of Roads for Aylesford and Cornwallis, and it appears that he has faithfully executed the trust reposed in him; that he has expended the sum of 404l. 1s. 8d; that his commissions thereon amount to 20cl 4s. 1d; and that there remains due to the said Elijah Crane, the sum of £5 19 1.

ANDREW BELCHER, } Committee of  
CHARLES HILL, } the Council.

WILLIAM LAWSON, } Committee of the House  
GEORGE COLLINS, } of Assembly.  
EDWARD JAMES, }

On motion, *ordered*, That the said reports be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander-in-Chief, to draw by warrant from the Treasury for the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds in favor of the Secretary of the Province, or such other person as he shall think proper, to be expended in binding the Provincial Records, and procuring an Index to be made to such parts thereof, as may require it; the expenditure of the said money to be accounted for at the next Session.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of five pounds nineteen shillings and one penny should be granted to Elijah Crane, in full for his services, and of all demands, as commissioner for the roads in Aylesford and Cornwallis, agreeably to the report of the committee of Public Accounts.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of two hundred pounds should be granted to the Commissioners of Highways, to be expended by them within ten miles of the town of Halifax; the same being part of two hundred and fifty pounds originally intended in the division of road monies for altering the road from M' Alpin's, and not now applied to that purpose.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of fifty pounds should be granted to rebuild the Bridge over the West River of Pictou, near George M' Connell's, which has been carried away since the appropriation in the present

Session of Monies for Roads and Bridges in that District; the same being part of two hundred and fifty pounds originally intended in the division of road monies for altering the road from M<sup>r</sup> Alpin's, and not now applied to that purpose.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of ten pounds should be granted to John Merrick, for his services in making Plans, procuring Estimates, and furnishing a Frame and Glaz for a Public Building.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum not exceeding eight pounds, should be granted to the Clerk of the Council to defray the expense of Fuel for the Council in the present Session.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one hundred and twenty pounds should be granted to the Guager and Weigher, for the Collector of Impost and Excise in the District of Halifax, for his services for the present year.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of two pounds one shilling and eight pence should be granted to Benjamin Cacey, for a bounty on fifty bushels of Wheat raised by him in the year 1808.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of four pounds fifteen shillings and ten pence should be granted to John Parker, for a bounty on one hundred and fifteen bushels of Wheat raised by him in the year 1808.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of four pounds three shillings and four pence, should be granted to James Harvie, for a bounty on one hundred bushels of Wheat raised by him in the year 1808.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of six pounds five shillings should be granted to William Thompson, for a bounty on one hundred and fifty bushels of Wheat raised by him in the year 1808.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of two pounds seventeen shillings and eight pence halfpenny, should be granted to Timothy Dimock, for a bounty on fifty-two bushels of Wheat, and twenty-three bushels of Rye, raised by him in the year 1808.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply, which the House agreed to.

The said Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A Bill in addition to an Act to provide for the accommodation of his Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia, when on their march, was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill be committed to a committee of the whole House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill in addition to the Act to provide for the accommodation of his Majesty's Troops or of the Militia, when on their march; and also a Bill to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the committee had directed him to report the said

said Bills, severally, without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the Bills be engrossed.

On motion, of Mr. Robie, *resolved*, that a committee be appointed to join a committee of His Majesty's Council, for the purpose of procuring the west end of the building called Cochran's Building as heretofore occupied by the Province for the accommodation of the Legislature, and other public purposes, and that the joint committee be authorized to take a Lease of the said Building on the part of the Province for a term of three years, and as long after as the Province shall chuse, at the annual rent of 300l. the place leased to be put and kept in tenantable repair by the Lessor.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing resolution to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to twelve resolutions of this House, for granting the following sums, viz.:

- 1,156l. 8s. 6d. to Andrew Belcher
- 150l. for binding the Provincial Records
- 5l. 19s. 1d. to Elijah Crane
- 200l. to the Commissioners of Highways of Halifax
- 50l. to rebuild the Bridge over the West River of Pictou
- 10l. to John Merrick
- 8l. to the Clerk of the Council for Fuel
- 120l. to the Guager and Weigher of Halifax
- 200l. for the repairs to Government House
- 50l. to the Clerk of the Assembly
- 115l. 0 5½d. to Richard John Uniacke
- 20l. to Clerk of Assembly for Stationary, &c.

The Council have not agreed to five Resolutions of this House, for granting the following sums, viz.—

- 2l. 17s. 8 ½d. to Timothy Dimock
- 6l. 5s. to William Thompson
- 4l. 3s. 4d. to James Harvie
- 4l. 15s. 10d. to John Parker
- 2l. 1s. 8d. to Benjamin Cacey.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to alter an Act, entitled, An Act to regulate the expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to an Act, passed in the twenty-ninth year of his Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties within this Province, by laying an Impost Duty on all articles imported into this Province from the United States of America, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.



On motion, *resolved*, that the said amendment to the Bill above-mentioned, be considered this day three months.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:  
Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this House on the subject of procuring Cochran's Building for the accommodation of the Legislature, and have appointed the Honorable Michael Wallace, and the Honorable Charles Hill, to join the Committee of this House, on the said subject.

And then the messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Pyke, Mr. Robie and Mr. Lawson, be a Committee to join the Committee of the Council accordingly, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

On motion of Mr. Robie, *resolved*, that it be referred to the committee of Privileges, whether the Seat of Foster Hutchinson, Esq. Representative for the Town of Halifax, is vacated by his acceptance of the appointment of one of the Assistant Justices of the Supreme Court.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at ten of the clock.

Tuesday, 2d April, 1811.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act to provide for the accommodation of his Majesty's Troops or of the Militia, when on their march, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act passed in the forty-eighth year of his Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to provide for the accommodation and billeting of His Majesty's Troops or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another.

An engrossed Bill to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue in force the several Acts therein-mentioned; and, also,

The Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the forty-eighth year of his Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to provide for the accommodation and billeting of his Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another—without any amendment.

And then the messenger withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Dimock, *resolved*, that the seat of William Cottnam Tonge, Esq.

a Member of this House, and one of the Representatives for the County of Hants, be vacated, for absenting himself from this House during the whole of the last and present Session.

*Resolved*, That Mr. Speaker do take the usual steps for procuring a new Writ for the election of a Member to represent the County of Hants, aforesaid.

Mr. Robie reported from the Committee of Privileges, on the subject of the Seat of Foster Hutchinson, Esq. Representative of the Town of Halifax; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

That the committee have taken the subject into consideration, and beg leave to report, that by a Statute of this Province, made the last Sessions of the General Assembly, it was declared, that it should not be lawful for any Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court to hold, possess, or enjoy, any other office, post, place, appointment, or situation, except the office of Master in Chancery, or that of a Member of His Majesty's Council; that, since the passing the said Act, the said Foster Hutchinson hath been appointed an Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court, which office he hath accepted, and now holds; and that it appears to the committee, that the Seat of the said Foster Hutchinson ought to be declared vacant, it being the intention of the said Act that no Judge of the said Court should hold a Seat in the House of Assembly; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Seat of Foster Hutchinson, Esq. a Member of this House, and one of the Representatives for the Town of Halifax, be vacated.

*Resolved*, That Mr. Speaker do take the usual steps for procuring a new Writ for the election of a Member to represent the Town of Halifax aforesaid.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Puol took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, upon which they had framed a Bill for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the present year, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table, where the resolutions and clauses were severally read throughout a first and second time; and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

On motion, the said Bill was read a first time,

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be now read a second time, and the same was read a second time accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

*Resolved*, That Mr. Speaker be requested to inform his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that it will be more convenient to the Members if the Assembly could be called as early as the twentieth of January, and to express the wish of the House, that if it is not personally inconvenient to His Excellency, and does not interfere with His Majesty's Service, that he would be pleased to call the House at that time.

An engrossed Bill for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the present year was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eleven, and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

On motion of Mr. Robie, *resolved*, that owing to his Majesty's illness, this House will not at present petition his Majesty, on the subject of the Court of Vice-Admiralty, but that it be referred to the Committee of Privileges to report thereon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at eleven of the clock.

Wednesday, 3d April, 1811.

PRAYERS.

On motion, *resolved*, that Mr. Speaker be requested to direct the Government Printer to print one hundred additional copies in sheets of the Act passed in the present Session, entitled, An Act for establishing Grammar Schools in several Counties and Districts of this Province, to be distributed in such manner as Mr. Speaker may direct.

Mr. Lawson reported from the joint committee of His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly, appointed to examine the Public Accounts, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

*Public Markets.*

The accounts of the former acting commissioner have been received to the 31st December, and are correct; there remains a balance in his hands to be appropriated of £634 12 3. The present commissioners' accounts have been received to the 27th February, 1811, by which there appears to be a balance in their hands of £62 6 5.

*Licence and Road Accounts for the District of Halifax.*

The balance of £193, due the former acting commissioners, is paid; there still remains due to the estate of the late William Lyon, deceased, the sum of £264 19 7½, as reported last year.

The present commissioners' accounts have been received to the 31st March, 1811, and are correct; there is a balance due them of £355 19 3, including commissions.

*Committee-Room, 3d April, 1811.*

ANDREW BELCHER, }  
CHARLES HILL, } *Committee of His Majesty's Council.*

WILLIAM LAWSON, }  
EDWARD JAMES, } *Committee of the House of Assembly.*  
GEORGE COLLINS, }

*Ordered*, That the said Report do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of one thousand eight hundred and eleven; and for appropriating such part of the supplies granted in this Session

Sessions of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.

And then the messenger withdrew.

On motion, *resolved*, that, owing to His Majesty's illness, the House will not at present, petition His Majesty on the subject of the Quit Rents, but that a committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor on the said subject; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Ritchie and Mr. Robie, be a Committee to prepare the said Address.

Mr. Robie reported from the committee of Privileges, to whom the subject of the Court of Vice-Admiralty was referred, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

That it appears to the committee, from divers Acts of Parliament, that a concurrent jurisdiction is given to the Courts of Common Law and Courts of Vice Admiralty in the Plantations, to determine upon prosecutions instituted by Custom-House Officers, and other informers, for alleged breaches of the said Acts; and that, in this Province, such prosecutions are always carried on in the Court of Vice Admiralty. That the committee further report, that the expenses attending Trials in the Court of Vice-Admiralty, are very much greater than those attending similar trials in the Courts of Common Law, as the costs of a trial in the Instance Court amount from 60*l.* to 100*l.* when, in the Courts of Common Law, such expenses would scarcely exceed fifteen pounds; that, in consequence of such great expenses, persons prosecuted have been, and may be deterred from defending their property, even when they have not been conscious of violating any Law, chusing rather to resign their rights than to solicit them, at a ruinous expense before a Tribunal, exercising a jurisdiction, unknown to the Constitution of the Parent State.

That the committee further beg leave to report, that the instituting such prosecutions in the Court of Vice-Admiralty, amounts to an imputation upon the Jurors and Inhabitants of this Province, which, in the opinion of the committee, they by no means deserve: the committee therefore recommend to the House that a committee be appointed to join Mr. Speaker in corresponding with the Agent of the Province for the purpose of having the wishes of His Majesty's Subjects made known to His Majesty's Ministers, and to use his endeavours to have the said Acts repealed, and that the House do come to the following Resolutions, viz.—

*Resolved*, That the prosecuting alleged breaches of the Acts respecting the Plantation Trade in the Court of Vice-Admiralty, is a great grievance to the Inhabitants of this Province, inasmuch as his Majesty's loyal Subjects are thereby not only deprived of their Constitutional right of having their causes tried by a Jury, but are put to great and unnecessary expenses.

*Resolved*, That the prosecuting such causes in the Court of Vice-Admiralty when the Courts of Common Law have jurisdiction over them, is unnecessary and oppressive.

*Resolved*, That the prosecuting such causes in the Court of Vice-Admiralty, shews a want of confidence in the integrity of the good people of this Province, and betrays a suspicion that a fair and impartial Trial cannot be obtained in His Majesty's Courts of Common Law.

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to join Mr. Speaker for the above purposes, and that they do transmit to the Agent of the Province a copy of the Journals containing these Resolves.

*Resolved*, That this House will provide a suitable compensation for the Agent for his services herein.

The said Report and Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to unanimously by the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Robie, Mr. Archibald, and Mr. Lawson be a Committee, agreeably to the foregoing Resolution reported by the Committee of Privileges.

On motion, *resolved*, That Mr. Speaker and the said Committee do also correspond with the Agent of the Province, requesting his best services and influence to obtain a relinquishment of the Quit Rents, at present demanded and paid in this Province.

Mr. Archibald reported from the committee appointed to prepare an Address to his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the subject of Quit Rents, and presented an Address accordingly, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

#### TO HIS EXCELLENCY

#### SIR GEORGE PREVOST, BARONET,

Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

THE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY :

*May it please your Excellency,*

**W**E, His Majesty's faithful Subjects, the Representatives of his loyal people of Nova-Scotia, beg leave to state to your Excellency, that His Majesty's subjects in this Province, have, for many years past, been using their utmost exertions in the cultivation and improvement of the Country, with a view of rendering themselves independent of the United States of America, from whom they have been long obliged to procure many of the necessaries of life; and it is with great pleasure we can state to Your Excellency, that their efforts are likely to be universally successful.

We further beg leave to state to your Excellency, that the inhabitants of this Colony, who have devoted their attention to agricultural pursuits, have long entertained serious apprehensions, lest his Majesty should demand of them His Royal Quit Rents, which, from the general poverty of that description of persons by whom new lands are cultivated, they are unable to pay; and, although the sum to be paid by each individual may appear inconsiderable; yet, the enforcing the collection would produce uneasiness, and, in many cases, distress. We have considered it our indispensable duty, to state to Your Excellency the circumstances of His Majesty's Subjects in this Colony, as the collection of these Rents would greatly impede the improvement of the Country; and to request that your Excellency would be pleased to represent the same to Our Most Gracious Sovereign, and in behalf of His Majesty's Subjects of Nova-Scotia, to request that His Majesty would be graciously pleased to suspend the collection of these His Royal Rents, which are or may become due, upon lands already granted, or to be granted, to His Subjects in this Country.

The House of Assembly forbear, at present, to urge for Your Excellency's consideration, the many reasons for this application; satisfied that the knowledge your Excellency

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lency has obtained of the situation of this Province, and the disposition you have heretofore shewn to promote its welfare, will induce you to use your influence to procure a favourable consideration of this important subject; and to make known to our beloved Sovereign, the fervent wishes of his affectionate Subjects, of Nova-Scotia, that it may please Divine Providence to restore him to health, and long to preserve a life so valuable to his People and the World.

*Resolved*, that the said Address be presented to his Excellency, by Mr. Speaker, at the close of the Session, and previous to his presenting the Appropriation Bill for his Excellency's assent.

A Message from his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Secretary George:  
Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency commands this House to attend His Excellency immediately in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency in the Council Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the several Bills following, viz.

An Act to establish Grammar Schools in several Counties and Districts of this Province.

An Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation.

An Act to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned.

An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the forty-eighth year of his Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to provide for the accommodation and billeting of His Majesty's Troops or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another.

An Act to amend an Act, passed in the twentieth year of his Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax.

An Act for the encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province.

An Act to alter an Act, entitled, An Act to regulate the expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges.

An Act to regulate the Proceedings of the Court of Escheats.

An Act for the more easy recovery of Debts against Co-Partners and Joint-Debtors.

An Act for erecting a Province House, on the ground where the old Government House now stands, for the meeting of the different Branches of the Legislature, and other public purposes.

After which, Mr. Speaker read and presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor the Address of the House on the subject of the Quit Rents, agreeably to the Resolution passed this day, to which his Excellency was pleased to give this Answer:

GENTLEMEN,

**T**HE Prayer of the House of Representatives, respecting the suspension of the collection of the Quit Rents, I will transmit for His Majesty's favourable consideration.

Mr. Speaker then spoke as follows:

*May it please your Excellency,*

I beg leave to present to your Excellency, on behalf of the Commons of Nova-Scotia, a Bill for appropriating the Supplies granted in the present Session for the

Support of his Majesty's Government, and the Service of the Province for the ensuing year, and to request your Excellency's assent to the same.

His Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the said Bill following, viz :

An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eleven, and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.

His Excellency was then pleased to make the following Speech :

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council :*

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

**T**HE attention you have paid to the measures it became my duty to point out to you at the commencement of the Session, for the support of His Majesty's Government, and the promotion of the prosperity of the Province; and the readiness with which you have granted the Supplies required for those objects, now enable me to consult your convenience, by affording you a recess.

The Declaration of Non-Intercourse, on the part of the Government of the United States, against the British Empire, imperatively requires me to call on the Officers entrusted with the command of the Provincial Battalions of Militia, and most particularly on those now before me, for their best endeavours to establish subordination, and create confidence in that portion of our defence. I allude not to the mere parade of war;—the display of martial ranks, and the attention to military discipline should ever, in Britons, be accompanied by strength of body, greater strength of mind, and the contempt of death and danger, in defence of their King and glorious Constitution.

The liberality manifested in the Grants of Money for the Road Service, demands a more exact attention in the expenditure:—I will take every proper precaution to insure that object; but, unless my endeavours to obtain for the Public a faithful application of that boon to the Province, are seconded by you, in your respective Counties and Towns, I cannot hope for success:—Without an earnest and effectual support on your part, it would be unreasonable in you to expect, that the King's Revenue can flow for the great purposes of fertilizing the Province, rendering its Commerce prosperous, and contributing to the substantial happiness of all its inhabitants.

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council :*

I cannot sufficiently express my thankfulness, for the support His Majesty's Government, and the true interest of the Province, have experienced during the Session, from your able, temperate, and disinterested conduct.

Afterwards the President of His Majesty's Council, by His Excellency's command, said :

**GENTLEMEN,**

It is His Excellency's will and pleasure, that this General Assembly be prorogued to Thursday the 4th day of July next, to be then here held; and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued, to Thursday, the 4th day of July next.