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**W**HEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Thursday, the tenth day of July next :

I HAVE THEREFORE THOUGHT FIT, further to prorogue the said General Assembly, until Thursday the ninth day of October next; 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 30th day of June,  
1823, in the Fourth year of His Majesty's Reign.*

By His Excellency's Command,

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**W**HEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Thursday, the ninth day of October instant :

I HAVE THOUGHT FIT, further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the eighth day of January 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 8th day of October,  
1823, in the Fourth Year of His Majesty's Reign.*

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### THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA.

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*Thursday, 8th January, 1824.*

**A** MESSAGE from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Deputy-Secretary Hill :  
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 the Lieutenant-Governor in the Council Chamber, where His Excellency had been pleased to make a Speech, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a Copy, which he read to the House, and is as follows :

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council :*

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

**I** HAVE called you together at this early period of the year, with a view to the convenience of those Members of the Legislature who reside at a distance from the capital ; and, it affords me very sincere satisfaction to inform you, that I consider the affairs of the Province to be in a state of steady and progressive prosperity : not occasioned by any adventitious, accidental cause, or temporary excitement, but arising solely, (under the blessing of Divine Providence,) from the many natural and local advantages which we possess, and a judicious application of our own means and resources, living under a Paternal Government, and the protection of a powerful Empire.

It was expected that many beneficial effects would result from a general diffusion of Agricultural Knowledge and improvements, throughout the country, by means of the Institutions formed for that purpose : But the expectations which even the most sanguine entertained, promise to be completely realized.—Habits of active industry and systematic frugality, are taking deep root, I have reason to believe, among the Farming classes of the community ; and I think the day is not far distant, when Bread Corn will be raised within the Province, sufficient to supply the wants of its population.

Trade

Trade is increasing, and beginning to embrace new sources of commercial employment : Our Fisheries have been carried on with increased activity during the past year—in every branch of our industry, there is a visible improvement.

I have great pleasure also, in reporting to you the state of the Provincial Finances;—The Revenue of the last year has somewhat exceeded the sum which was anticipated :—It has been faithfully collected, and every demand upon the Government punctually discharged. In addition to the Revenue raised under Provincial Statutes, considerable sums of money have been paid into the Treasury by the Collector of His Majesty's Customs, (Duties arising under Acts of the Imperial Parliament to extend and regulate the Colonial Trade,) which payments have enabled me to cancel Provincial Notes to nearly a corresponding amount.

Agreeably to a Resolution of the Legislature in its last Session, Copper Tokens have been imported and issued from the Treasury, to supply the deficiency of small change ; and I have given directions, under that authority, for the importation of a further quantity of Coin, sufficient, I hope, to remove the inconveniences which the Community experience in that respect.

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

I shall direct the Public Accounts of the last Year to be laid before you for examination without delay ; as also the usual Annual Estimate of the Civil Establishment ; and I rely on your granting the Supplies necessary for the Support of His Majesty's Government, with your accustomed liberality,

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council :*

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

Knowing from experience, that the various Interests and Institutions of the Province, connected with its public prosperity and internal improvement, will come under your review, in the course of the Session, and receive from you all the support and assistance which they may appear to you to require, and of which our limited means will admit; I feel it to be unnecessary for me to call your attention at present to any particular object ; but as it is my duty, and has ever been my unceasing endeavour in my Administration of the Government, to watch over the Public Interests, and to promote, as far as I am able, the Peace and Prosperity of this improving and happy Colony, I shall not fail to bring under your consideration, by Message, any measures which may appear to me will conduce to those ends ; while you may always rely upon my ready concurrence in those, which you may bring forward for the advancement of the Public Good.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Archibald, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Lawson and Mr. Ritchie, be a Committee to prepare an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Lawson, Mr. Smith, Mr. Dewolf, Mr. Ruggles and Mr. Flemming, be a Committee 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.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Archibald, Mr. James and Mr. O'Brien, be a Committee to examine into, and report on, the expiring Laws.

Charles R. Fairbanks, Esq. returned duly elected a Member for the Town of Halifax, in the room of George Grassie, Esq. deceased, took his Seat, having previously taken the Oaths prescribed by Law, and subscribed the usual Declaration at the Table of the House, in the presence of the Honorable Brenton Halliburton, one of the Commissioners appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. J. L. Chipman, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Flemming, Mr. Wier, Mr. O'Brien and Mr. Fairbanks, be a Committee of Privileges.

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

*Friday,*

*Friday, 9th January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

Mr. Haliburton reported from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in Answer to His Excellency's Speech, that the Committee had drawn up an Address accordingly: and he read the Address in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's table, where it was read, and thereupon,

*Ordered,* That the Address be engrossed.

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

*Saturday, 10th January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

The Address in answer to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech, being engrossed, pursuant to the Order of Yesterday, the same was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:

TO HIS EXCELLENCY LIEUTENANT-GENERAL

**SIR JAMES KEMPT,**

*Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath,  
Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over His Majesty's  
Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.*

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

*May it please Your Excellency,*

**W**E, the Representatives of His Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia, beg leave to thank your Excellency for your Speech at the opening of the present Session of the General Assembly; and for the convenience which your Excellency has afforded us, by calling the Legislature together at this early period of the year.

We feel highly gratified by the knowledge that the affairs of the Province are in a state of increasing improvement; and that we are now enabled to avail ourselves of the many natural and local advantages which we possess, while we enjoy peace and security under the powerful protection of His Majesty's Government.

The general diffusion of Agricultural knowledge throughout the Province, and the benefits derived from the Institutions formed for that purpose, and so munificently supported by your Excellency, and your Noble Predecessor, are now apparent in the improvement of the Country, and we hope, that, with the habits of active industry and systematic frugality which are rapidly increasing among the Farming Classes of the Community, this Province will soon be independent of foreign supply, for the support of its population.

It affords us much pleasure to learn that our Commerce is increasing, and that new sources of employment are opening to those concerned in Trade, and that the increased activity with which the Fisheries have been carried on during the past year, has produced a visible improvement in that important branch of our industry.

We thank your Excellency for your attention to the Provincial Finances; and are gratified to find that the Revenue for the last year has been faithfully collected; that every demand upon the Government has been punctually discharged, and that the Funds of the Province are in so flourishing a state.

The importation and issue of Copper Tokens, under the Resolution of the Legislature, is of importance to the Country, in order to supply the deficiency of small change, and we thank your Excellency for directing the importation of a further quantity of Coin, sufficient to remove the inconvenience that the Country experiences in that respect.

We thank your Excellency for directing the Public Accounts to be laid before us for our examination, as also the Estimate of the Civil Establishment for the ensuing year, and we shall cheerfully grant the necessary Supplies for the support of His Majesty's Government; and your Excellency may be assured, that every communication you may make to us will at all times receive our early and serious attention.

The experience which we have had of your Excellency's unceasing endeavours, in the administration of the Government, to promote the Public Interest, and to preserve the peace and prosperity of this improving and happy Colony, affords us the surest pledge of your ready concurrence in every measure which has for its object the advancement of the Public Good.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Archibald, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. James, be a Committee to wait on His Excellency, to know His pleasure when he will be attended by the House.

Mr. Haliburton reported from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to know His pleasure when he would receive the Address of the House; that the Committee had, pursuant to order, waited on His Excellency, and that His Excellency was pleased to appoint this day, at two of the clock, at the Government House.

Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with their Address, pursuant to the Resolution of this day.

And being returned,

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

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

This Address affords me particular satisfaction, for, convinced as I am that we have only one object in view (the public good) in the performance of our relative duties, the support and approbation of the House of Assembly, the Representatives of a free People, cannot fail to prove a strong excitement to a zealous and faithful discharge of those imposed upon me.

JAMES KEMPT.

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

*Monday, 12th January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

*Resolved*, That no Petition of a private nature be received after Saturday, the 31<sup>st</sup> instant.

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

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

Mr. Deputy Secretary Hill 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:

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**T**HE Lieutenant-Governor lays before the Assembly, for its information, copies of two Dispatches which he has received from Earl Bathurst, His Majesty's Secretary of State, on the subject of the Acts passed by the Provincial Legislature in the years 1821, and 1822, and His Excellency takes this opportunity of recommending an early review of the Temporary Laws of the Province, with the view of consolidating and bringing into one Act the several Acts relating to the same subject, according to the course pursued in the last Session of the Legislature.

Mr. Deputy-Secretary Hill also delivered to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

A Copy of a Dispatch from Earl Bathurst to His Excellency Sir James Kempt, dated Downing-Street, 6th October, 1823, on the subject of the Acts passed by the Legislature in the year 1821; and also,

A Copy of a Dispatch from Earl Bathurst to His Excellency Sir James Kempt, dated Downing-Street, 9th October, 1823, on the subject of the Acts passed in the year 1822, referred to in His Excellency's Message to the House.

*Ordered*, That the Message of His Excellency, and the Papers, do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

His Majesty's Council have appointed a Committee to join the Committee of this House for the purpose of examining the Public Accounts.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Tuesday, 13th January, 1824.*

### PRAYERS.

A Bill for the Establishment of Schools 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 said Bill.

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 Bill to them referred, and that the Committee recommend that the said Bill should be referred to a select Committee, to be appointed by the House: which report the House agreed to; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Wells, Mr. Smith, Mr. Flemming, Mr. Dewolf and Mr. Church.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Twelve of the Clock.

*Wednesday, 14th January, 1824.*

### PRAYERS.

Mr. Lawson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in amendment of an Act for the preservation of Partridges and Blue Winged Ducks; and the same was read a first time. Mr.

Mr. O'Brien, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in addition to the A& for the better observation of the Lord's Day, and the same was read a first time.

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

Mr. Haliburton reported from the Committee to whom the Bill for the Establishment of Schools was referred, that the Committee had made several alterations and amendments to the said Bill, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered the Bill, as altered and amended by the Committee, in at the Clerk's Table; and thereupon,

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

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Twelve of the Clock.

*Thursday, 15th January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill in amendment of an Act for the preservation of Partridges and Blue Winged Ducks; and also,

A Bill in addition to the Act for the better observation of the Lord's Day, were severally read a second time.

*Resolved,* That the 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 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 Bill for the Establishment of Schools; and also, the Bill in amendment of an Act for the preservation of Partridges and Blue Winged Ducks, and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills to the House 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 several Bills which stood committed: which Report the House agreed to.

*Ordered,* That the Bills be engrossed.

Mr. W. H. Roach, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to limit and restrain the issuing and levying of Writs of Attachment on Goods, &c. and the same was read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. Haliburton, *resolved,* that this House will, on Saturday next, take into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the subject of the Acts passed by the Legislature in the years 1821 and 1822.

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

*Friday, 16th January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill to limit and restrain the issuing and levying of Writs of Attachment on Goods, &c. was read a second time.

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

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An engrossed Bill for the Establishment of Schools, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for the Establishment of Schools.

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

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 deferred the consideration of the Bill in addition to the Act for the better observation of the Lord's Day to this day 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 which stood committed; which report the House agreed to.

Mr. Fairbanks, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill relating to Proceedings in Courts of Law, 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 Twelve of the Clock.

*Saturday, 17th January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill in amendment of an Act for the Preservation of Partridges and Blue Winged Ducks, 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-fourth year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the preservation of Partridges and Blue-Winged Ducks.

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

On motion, the Order of the Day was read, and thereupon,

On motion, the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and also the Dispatches from Earl Bathurst, accompanying the said Message, relative to Laws passed in the years 1821 and 1822, were read by the Clerk, and the House having considered the same, thereupon,

Mr. Haliburton moved, that the House do come to the following Resolution, viz.

The House having taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and also the Dispatches from Earl Bathurst, accompanying that Message, relative to the Laws of 1821 and 1822, *resolved*, That the House will, during the present Session, proceed to the revision, and consolidating into one Act, such of the Temporary Acts, as relate to the same subject, pursuant to the recommendation of His Excellency, and when the other Laws, referred to in the Dispatches of Earl Bathurst, come before the House, the House will give an attentive consideration to the suggestions and recommendations contained in His Lordship's Dispatches; which, being seconded and put, passed in the affirmative:

*Resolved*, That a Copy of the foregoing Resolution be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by a Committee of this House, in answer to His Excellency's Message of the 12th instant.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. James, Mr. Wells, Mr. W. H. Roach, and Mr. Campbell be a Committee agreeably to the foregoing Resolution.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the Bill to limit and restrain the issuing and levying of Writs of Attachment on Goods, &c.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,  
 Mr. James took the Chair,  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had deferred the consideration of the Bill to them referred, to this day three months, and thereupon,

Mr. Wells moved, that the Report of the Committee be not received by the House; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Eleven; against it, Fourteen :

For the motion,		Against the motion,	
Mr. Heckman,	Mr. Uniacke,	Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Dewolf,
Mr. Albro,	Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Young,	Mr. Ritchie,
Mr. Wells,	Mr. W. H. Roach,	Mr. Haliburton,	Mr. Ruggles,
Mr. Bishop,	Mr. Church,	Mr. Archibald,	Me. Poole,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,		Mr. Smith,	Mr. W. Dickson,
Mr. Campbell,		Mr. Wier,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. James,		Mr. Fairbanks,	Mr. Dennison,

So it passed in the negative.

The Report of the Committee was then, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House,

Mr. Lawson 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 1st January and 31st December, 1823.

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

A Petition of John Muncey was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying that he may be allowed the Bounty on 450 hogheads of Salt, purchased by him from Merchants in Halifax, and supplied to the Fishermen of the Magdalen Islands, in the last Summer,

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

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

*Monday, 19th January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to prevent the issuing Writs of Attachment in certain cases; and the same was read a first time.

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

Mr. Haliburton reported from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with a Copy of the Resolution of the House, in answer to His Excellency's Message relative to the Laws of the Province, pursuant to the Order of Yesterday; that the Committee had accordingly waited upon, and delivered to His Excellency the said Resolution; and that His Excellency was pleased to express his approbation of the same.

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

*Tuesday, 20th January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill to restrain the issuing Writs of Attachment in certain cases, was read a second time.

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

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On motion, *resolved*, that the Bill relating to the Proceedings in Courts of Law, be read a second time on Thursday the 22d instant.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the consideration of the Bill to re-strain the issuing Writs of Attachment in certain Cases.

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 to the House without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

Mr. W. H. Roach, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for regulating the Medical Profession in the Province of Nova-Scotia; and the same was read a first time.

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

Mr. Fairbanks gave notice, that it was his intention to submit to the consideration of the House, on Thursday, the 29th instant, certain Resolutions, on the subject of opening a Navigable Canal or Water Communication, between the Harbour of Halifax, and the Basin of Minas, by the River Shubenaccadie and the Lakes connected therewith.

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

*Wednesday, 21st January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill for regulating the Medical Profession in the Province of Nova-Scotia, was read a second time.

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

An Engrossed Bill to restrain the issuing Writs of Attachment in certain cases; was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to restrain the issuing Writs of Attachment in certain cases.

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

A Petition of George P. Lawson, was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and read, setting forth, that, in the month of September last, he imported from Bremen, a quantity of Wheat, purchased with Rum, the proceeds of Nova-Scotia Fish, and Tobacco Stems, furnished by the Manufacturies of the Province, which Wheat was sold by the Petitioner for the purpose of being manufactured into Flour, solely for the use of His Majesty's Troops in Halifax. That, upon the importation of the said Article, the Petitioner paid to the Collector of His Majesty's Customs, a Duty of £55 6 s under a late Act of the Imperial Parliament, and which sum has been paid by the said Collector into the Provincial Treasury, and praying the House to take his Case into consideration, and grant such relief therein as to them may seem meet.

A Petition of Edward Morgan, was presented by Mr. T. Dickson, and read, setting forth that the Petitioner has, at a great expense, lately erected a Mill in the Town of Guysborough, for the Manufacturing of Wheat Flour, and Oatmeal, and praying for pecuniary aid.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the thirty-fourth year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the preservation of Partridges and Blue-Winged Ducks.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

A Petition of William A. Black, Samuel Black and Thomas Hofferma, was presented by Mr. Albro, and read, praying for a return of duty paid by them on Machinery, imported from Great-Britain, for the use of a Mill lately erected by them at the North-West Arm, near Halifax, at an expence of upwards of £4000, for the manufacture of Flour and Shelled Barley, amounting to £15 5 3; and also for permission for importing, free of Duty, an additional Machinery for a Drying Kiln and Oatmeal Mill, also another pair of Mill Stones, for the manufacturing of superfine Flour.

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

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

*Thursday, 22d January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker delivered to the House several Papers, received by him from the Secretary of the Provincial Agricultural Society, to be laid upon the Clerk's Table, pursuant to the Order of the House, bearing date the 28th of February, 1821, as follow, viz.

An Account of the Expenditure of the Grant of £800 to the Society for the year 1822.

An Account of the partial Expenditure of the Grant of £1000 to the Society, for the year 1823.

A Scheme of Agricultural Prizes, proposed to the Legislature, for the year 1824.

A Letter from the Secretary of the Provincial Agricultural Society, to Mr. Speaker, dated the 20th January, 1824, enclosing the before notified Papers.

The said Papers were read by the Clerk, and thereupon,

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

Mr. Fairbanks, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to repeal the several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent forestalling, regrating, and monopolizing; also,

A Bill to amend, and make perpetual, an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions; and also,

A Bill relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, and the said Bills were severally read a first time.

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate the Expenditure of Monies for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the same was read a first time.

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

Pursuant to the Resolution of Tuesday last, the Bill relating to the Proceedings in Courts of Law, was read a second time; and thereupon,

Mr. Haliburton moved, that the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed to this day three months: 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.

Mr. James, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to punish Persons guilty of maliciously killing or maiming Cattle: 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 One of the Clock.

*Friday,*

Friday, 23d January, 1824.

PRAYERS.

On reading the Proceedings of Yesterday, Mr. Fairbanks moved, that the Resolution passed yesterday for postponing the consideration of the Bill relating to Proceedings in Courts of Law, be rescinded: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, ten. So it passed in the affirmative.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Bill relating to Proceedings in Courts of Law be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Bill to amend, and make perpetual, an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, was read a second time; and thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Dewolf, *resolved*, that the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed to this day three months.

A Bill to regulate the Expenditure of Monies for Roads and Bridges; also,

A Bill to repeal the several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent forestalling, regrating, and monopolizing; also,

A Bill to punish Persons guilty of maliciously killing or maiming Cattle; and also,

A Bill relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, were severally read a second time.

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

A Petition of Phineas Lovet, Jun. was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and read, praying for a drawback of Duties on a certain quantity of Sugar, shipped to St. John, New-Brunswick, in the month of July, 1822, amounting to £19 6 7.

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

Mr. Deputy-Secretary Hill delivered to the House, by the Command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, an Estimate of the Charge for defraying the expense of the Civil Establishment of Nova-Scotia, for the year 1824; and also,

A Letter from the Deputy-Post-Master General, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, stating to His Excellency, that a sum of £837 13 10 will be required for defraying the Expense of Communication by Post throughout the Province for the present year, 1824, accompanied by a Statement of the expenditure of the sum granted by the Legislature for that service in the last year.

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

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House a Letter which he had received from J. G. Marshall, Esq. dated, Sydney, Cape-Breton, 11th Dec. 1823, stating, that, as the Duties of his present situation as Chief-Justice of the Courts of Common Pleas in Cape-Breton, will put it out of his power to give his attendance in the General Assembly as a Representative for the County of Sydney, he is desirous of relinquishing his Seat for that County, and requesting that the House will be pleased to accept his resignation.

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House, a Petition received by him, from Mrs. Ann Monk, Widow of the late George Henry Monk, Esq. deceased, and the same was read, praying that the House would be pleased to continue and grant to the Petitioner, during her natural life, such proportion of the Pension of £400 per annum, allowed by the Province to her said late Husband, as one of the Assistant Justices of the Supreme Court, in consequence of his long and faithful services, as to the House may seem meet.

*Ordered*, That the said Papers 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 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 Bill to punish Persons guilty of maliciously killing or maiming Cattle, and had made an amendment thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered the Bill, with the amendment, 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.

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

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

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

*Saturday, 24th January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

On motion, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of His Majesty's Council, for the purpose of ascertaining what have been their Proceedings on the School Bill sent up for concurrence, and that they do report the same to the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Smith and Mr. Wells, be a Committee for the above purpose.

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 Bill to regulate the Expenditure of Monies for the service of Roads and Bridges, and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bill to the House, without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bill 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 Bill be engrossed.

Mr. Lawson 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 the 31st December last, have been received, and are correct. Balance in his hands £13,666 19 5

*Collectors of Impost and Excise.*

*Halifax.*

His Accounts to the 31st December last have been received, and are correct. Balance of Bonds in his hands £22,019 11 8  
 Ditto in the hands of the Attorney-General 1,377 18 6

£23,397 10 2

Carried Forward L.13,666 19 5

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Brought Forward L.13,666 19 5

The following Persons indebted for Balances, due on Bonds in the hands of the Attorney-General, have become insolvent and unable to pay:—

William Rodoff	£180 0 9	
John Pendergast	344 6 5	
	<u>524 7 2</u>	

£22,873 3 0

*Shelburne.*

His Accounts to the 31st December last have been received, and are not correct; he has charged Commissions on account of Bonds which are still in suit. There are also errors in his Returns for June and September Quarters. The Balance due by him, as corrected, is

355 3 1½

Bonds in the hands of the Attorney-General, who states that property has been taken to satisfy the amount

309 1 3½

664 4 5

*Yarmouth.*

His Accounts to the 31st December last have been received, and are correct. Balance in his hands

844 12 9

*Liverpool.*

His Accounts to the 31st December last, have been received, and are correct. Balance in his hands

£1824 5 3½

Bonds in the hands of the Attorney-General

419 18 6

2,244 3 9½

The Attorney-General states, that, of the Bonds placed in his hands, the sum of £319 13 5 has been paid to the Collector, and that he has paid the Treasurer £77 14 since closing his Account, leaving a Balance unpaid of £22 11.

*Lunenburg.*

No Account Current

Balance as reported last year

£936 16 0

Quarterly returns have been received to the 31st December, amounting to

1561 3 9½

£2497 19 9½

It appears by the Treasurer's Account he has paid

625 6 10½

L1872 12 11

A final adjustment of the account with the late Collector, Henry Wollenhaupt, has been received from the Treasurer, by which there appears a balance due of

L2684 10 9

It is probable from this Account, there may be recovered the sum of

L1000 0 0

2872 12 11

*King's County.*

No Account Current

Balance as reported last year

L771 19 11

Quarterly Returns have been received to the 31st December last, amounting to

390 4 2

L1162 4 1

It appears by the Treasurer's Account he has paid

501 4 2

660 19 11

In the Quarterly Return for June he has charged L4 16 5 Impost Duty, which is not correct, and must be returned.

*Cumberland.*

No Accounts or Returns

It appears by the Treasurer's Account, he has remitted L95.

*Colchester.*

His Accounts to the 31st December last have been received, and are correct. Balance in his hands

L440 9 8½

Balance due by the former Collector

306 17 7½

747 7 4

*Pictou,*

His Accounts have been received to the 31st December last, and are correct. Balance in his hands

1,758 9 0

In the Quarterly Return for June he has charged £14 1 9 Impost Duty, which is not correct, and must be returned.

Carried Forward L.46,332 12 5½

*Windsor.*

*Windsor.*

His Accounts to the 31st December last, have been received and are correct. Balance in his hands

Brought Forward L.46,332 12 5½

88 0 0

He has charged in his Account this sum, which has been received by the Treasurer since closing his Account

74 1 9

162 1 9

Bonds in the hands of the Attorney-General

67 11 4

229 13 1

*Annapolis.*

His Accounts to the 31st December last, have been received and are correct. Balance in his hands

1,000 1 4

He has charged in his Account this sum which has been received by the Treasurer since closing his Account

62 0 0

£1,062 1 4

Bonds in the hands of the Attorney-General

412 3 0

1474 4 4

*Cape-Breton.*

An Account Current has been received to the 31st December, 1822, incorrectly stated.

He was accountable at that date for the sum of

492 9 5½

Quarterly Returns to 31st Dec. 1822, amounting to

1312 12 6

Ditto to 30th Sept. 1823.

1552 4 10

3357 6 9½

It appears by the Treasurer's Account he has paid

433 17 0

2923 9 9½

The Treasurer also reports that he has paid Monies to sundry Commissioners, and which, for want of proper Vouchers, is not placed to his credit.

*Sydney.*

Returns have been received to the 1st November last, amounting to

328 5 1

It appears by the Treasurer's Account he has paid

160 0 0

168 5 1

*Custom-House.*

The Collector of His Majesty's Customs has rendered Quarterly Returns of Duties collected by him from the 10th of October, 1822, to the 31st December, 1823, amounting to L4497 18 10½ which has been paid the Treasurer.

L51,128 4 9

**LOAN-OFFICES.***Annapolis.*

The Commissioner's Accounts to the 31st December last. Balance of Securities in their hands

3,287 13 4

They have paid Interest at different times

L815 1 5

*King's County.*

No Account has been received since the 31st December, 1820, at which time the Securities in their hands amounted to

L4960 0 0

They paid at that time on account of Interest, L292 10. It appears by the Treasurer's Account they have paid L1861 9 7, on account of principal and interest; for want of their account the Committee is unable to ascertain the balance of Securities in their hands.

*Province Notes.*

Balances in circulation the 31st December, 1822.

L63,127 10 0

Delivered by the Commissioners to the Treasurer, so much loaned to Dalhousie College.

5,000 0 0

L68,127 10 0

Notes torn and defaced, and destroyed by the Committee

5,000 0 0

Leaving in circulation the 31st December last

L63,127 10 0

*Copper Coinage.*

It appears by the Treasurer's Account he has remitted to Liverpool the sum of

L1465 5 5

And has received Copper Tokens, cost of which amount to

755 3 8

L710 1 9

Leaving the above balance towards the payment of a further importation.

Collectors,

*Collectors of Light-Houses.*

HALIFAX.—His Accounts to the 31st December last, have been received, he has collected and paid to the Treasurer

L643 9 4

SYDNEY.—His Account has been received for the year 1822,

amounts to

L65 0 10

Ditto the 1st November, 1823

215 13 9½

L280 13 7½

He has paid the Treasurer

255 17 0

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Leaving a Balance due by him of

L24 17 7½

CAPE-BRETON.—Balance due by him as reported last year

L32 14 4

His Account has been received to the 30th September last, he has collected

83 19 1

L116 13 5

He has paid the Treasurer

50 4 5

50 4 5

Balance due by him

L66 9 8

SHELBURNE.—His Account to the 31st December last, has been received, amounting to

L89 9 8

He has paid the Treasurer

50 0 0

50 0 0

Balance due by him

L39 9 8

PICTOU.—His Account to the 31st December last has been received, he has collected and paid the Treasurer, including the balance due last year

314 17 0

LIVERPOOL.—His Account to the 31st December last has been received, he has collected and paid to the Treasurer

77 7 0

COLCHESTER.—His Accounts to 31st December last have been received, are correct, and he has paid to the Treasurer

35 16 0

YARMOUTH.—No Account has been received

He has paid the Treasurer balance of last year

26 12 2

GUT OF CANSO.—No Account Current has been received

His Account to the 31st December 1822, has been received, he has collected the sum of

L54 15 8

He has paid the Treasurer

90 0

DIGBY.—Balance due as reported last year

L2 9 2

His Account to the 31st December, 1823, has been received, amounting to

14 7 0

16 16 2

Samuel Cunard has collected and paid the Treasurer.

4 17 8

L202 8 1½

L1549 1 2

The Commissioners Accounts to the 31st December last, have been received for repairs and supplies, amounting to L1719 3 4, they have received from the Treasurer L1000, leaving a balance due them of L805 2 6.

*Isle of Sable.*

The Commissioner's Accounts to the 31st December last, have been received, and are correct, balance in his hands L97 1 5; a large sum is due to the Superintendent and Men on the Island, for Wages. There is a Salvage to be received from the Wreck of the Brig Hope, not yet ascertained.

An Account has been produced by the Attorney-General, charging the Province for sundry services rendered by him, and retaining in his hands the sum of L466 6 6 received by him from Bonds placed in his hands by the Collector of Impost and Excise.

Committee-Room, Halifax, January 24th, 1824.

RICHARD JOHN UNIACKE, } Committee of  
ENOS COLLINS, } Council,

WILLIAM LAWSON,  
GEORGE SMITH,  
JAMES R. DEWOLF,  
JAMES FLEMING,  
TIMOTHY RUGGLES, } Committee of  
the House of  
Assembly.

1893, Dec. 31.	For the following Sums appropriated and not yet drawn from the Treasury, viz:	1893, Dec. 31.	By Balance in the hands of the Treasurer
	For Roads and Bridges, per abstract ... ..	£891 10 0	Securities in the hands of the Collector of Impost and Excise, Halifax, Deduct probable Drawbacks
	Browning Militia Arms ... ..	371 13 1	£292,873 3 0
	Shubenacadie Ferry ... ..	25 0 0	17,000 0 0
	Survey of the Province ... ..	190 0 0	
	Nathaniel Atcheson, for Jennings and Long	100 0 0	
	Assembly Room ... ..	145 0 0	
	Loan Certificates due sundry persons	16,400 0 0	
	Interest due on Ditto to 31st December last	738 0 0	
	Notes in circulation the 31st December last	63,127 10 0	
	Agricultural Vote ... ..	650 0 0	
	Nathaniel Atcheson's Salary ... ..	116 13 4	
	Law Library ... ..	10 0 0	
	Ariseg Pier ... ..	66 13 4	
	Dock at Aylesford ... ..	100 0 0	
	Due Commissioners of Light-Houses	805 2 6	
	For Survey of Shubenacadie Canal, Feb. 1890	200 0 0	

Ditto Out-Port Collectors, viz:		
Shelburne ... ..	664 4 6	
Yarmouth ... ..	644 12 8	
Liverpool ... ..	2244 3 95	
Lanenburg ... ..	2873 12 11	
King's County ... ..	660 19 11	
Colchester ... ..	747 7 4	
Pictou ... ..	1768 9 0	
Windsor ... ..	229 13 1	
Annapolis ... ..	1484 19 4	
Cape-Breton ... ..	2923 9 95	
Sydney ... ..	168 5 1	
Deduct probable Drawbacks	£14,698 17 4	
Securities for so much loaned the County of Annapolis	3287 3 4	8000 0 0
Interest due thereon ... ..	197 4 7	
Securities for so much loaned King's County	4960 0 0	3484 7 11
Deduct supposed to be received per Report	1400 0 0	
Interest due thereon ... ..	3560 0 0	
Loan to Dalhousie College	213 12 0	
Due by the Collectors of Light Duty		3773 12 0
Amount paid by Ditto to the Treasurer		6000 0 0
By Balance ... ..		202 8 14
		1549 1 2
		31,060 14 15
		£83,737 2 9

Committee-Room, Halifax, 24th January, 1894.

RICHARD JOHN UNIACKE, } Committee of  
ENOS COLLINS, } Council.

WILLIAM LAWSON, } Committee of  
GEORGE SMITH, } the House of  
JAMES K. DEVOLF, } Assembly.  
JAMES FLEMING,  
TIMOTHY RUGGLES.

Abstract of Monies undrawn on account of Roads and Bridges, on the 31st December, 1823, viz.

For making and repairing Roads and Bridges in the County of Cape-Breton ... ..	L375	0	0
From Horne's to Cole Harbour ... ..	15	0	0
For the Road from Andrew Marshall's, on the Middle River, and to assist the Inhabitants to build a Bridge across the Middle River, at Alexander Fraser's ... ..	15	0	0
For the Road from New-Larig towards Sewiack ... ..	10	0	0
Balance due Donald M'Isaac, for the Road from the District Line of Pictou to Malignant Cove, and from Malignant Cove to Dorchester Village, and from Malignant Cove to David Ballentyne's, round Cape-George ... ..	40	0	0
Balance due Alvirus Atwater, for the Road from Manchester through Boylston to the Gut	7	6	8
Balance due Benjamin Ogden, for the Road from David Ballentyne's to Ogden's Pond, and for the Road from Ogden's Pond to Dorchester Village ... ..	23	6	8
For the Road from Amherst to Shinimeash and Goose River, commencing at Truman's Mill, and for the Road from Goose River to the Mouth of the River Philip, and from the Amherst Road leading to the Gulf Shore, near Peter M'Elman's ... ..	50	0	0
For the Road from Noel second Division Lots to Petit ... ..	5	0	0
Balance due William Dewolf, for the Road from Jacob Benjamin's to commence at the New Canaan Road, and for the Road from Scovill's Bridge towards John Littlewood's ... ..	6	13	4
Balance due James Kerr for the Road from the Cumberland Road to Ratchford River ... ..	2	10	0
For repairing the Road from Petit Passage, through Long Island to Robert Outhouse's ... ..	10	0	0
For the Road from Pernette's, towards Nagler's, and to complete the Bridge ... ..	10	0	0
For the Road from Pernette's Ferry toward Petit River Bridge ... ..	15	0	0
For the Road from Lintz's towards Joseph Webber's Mill .. ..	10	0	0
Balance due Robert Lowden, for repairing the Pier at Arisaig Point ... ..	66	13	4
For improving the Road in Windsor from the Line Springs in 1822 ... ..	20	0	0
For the Road from Andrew Marshall's to Duncan's Ferry ... ..	10	0	0
Balance of Cornwallis Bridge ... ..	200	0	0
	<u>L891</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>

Committee-Room, Halifax, 24th January, 1824.

RICHARD JOHN UNIACKE, } Committee of  
ENOS COLLINS, } Council.

WILLIAM LAWSON, } Committee of  
GEORGE SMITH, } the House of  
JAMES R. DEWOLF, } Assembly.  
JAMES FLEMMING,  
TIMOTHY RUGGLES,

Mr. Lawton also delivered to the House two Abstracts of the importation of Dutiable Articles ; also, an Account from the Attorney-General, referred to in the Report of the Committee of Public Accounts.

The said Abstracts were read by the Clerk, and are as follow :

Abstract of Dutiable Goods, imported into the Province of Nova-Scotia, between the 1st day of January and the 31st day of December, 1823.

COUNTIES and DISTRICTS.	BRANDY and GIN	SPIRITS.	WINE.	MOLAS. SES.	SUGAR.	COFFEE.	3½ and 5 per	AMOUNT OF DUTIES SECURED
	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Cwt. qr. lb.	lbs.	cent. Goods.	
HALIFAX	13,341	363,105	23,357	165,232	10,454 0 0	39,489	L187,809 6 8	L28,203 9 1
LUNENBURG	220	21,873		8,653	1,866 2 10	300	1,830 10 9	1,561 3 10
SHELburne	60	400		1,614	254 2 0	907	164 2 7	87 8 8
LIVERPOOL		25,419	25	16,698	638 3 22	681	9 16 2	2,065 11 2
YARMOUTH		12,904		32,266	892 3 0	570	2,370 5 3	2,201 6 5
ANNAPOLIS		3,350		3,038	120 2 14		1,547 15 2	270 5 3
KING'S		5,011		2,479	95 1 2		1,285 8 11	390 4 2
HANT'S		1,571	5	345	85 0 0		14 1 8	103 3 3
PICTOU	2356	23,844	202	3,631	269 3 14	1000	8,187 15 7	1811 19 5
COLCHESTER	206	3,466		434	46 2 0	202	2,764 0 0	310 9 2
CAPE-BRETON	324	18,270	1,078	5,954	97 2 0	1000	10,844 3 3	1,552 4 2
SYDNEY	10	5,776	10	3,612	85 2 0	247	187 13 9	328 5 1
CUMBERLAND								
TOTAL...	21,517	484,989	25,277	243,957	14,907 0 8	44,396	L217,014 19 9	L38,885 9 8

Abstract of Articles imported into the Port of Halifax, and Duties on Tonnage received between the 10th day of October 1822, and the 10th January, 1824, under three Acts of the British Parliament, passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His present Majesty; and amount of Duties paid into the Provincial Treasury, by the Collector of His Majesty's Customs, agreeably to said Acts:

Wheat Flour. Barrels.	Rye Flour. Barrels.	Rice—lbs.	Bread. Bags. Barrels.	Citron Boxes. Hoops.	Beans—Bushels. Boxes	Rais ins. Half-boxes. Quarter-Boxes	Olive Oil. Huds. Boxes. Jars.	Almonds. Boxes. Barrels. Frels.	Lemons—Boxes. Nuts—Bags.	Staves & Heading Corkwood—Cley	Sleep	Oranges—Boxes. Grapes—Jars	Figs—Frels	Wheat—Bushels. Buckheat. Half-Barrels.	TONNAGE OF SHIPPING.	AMOUNT OF DUTIES.
8,443½	9,094	125,746	100 393	30 2,100	2,824 910	6 73 260	5 25 20	30 14 26	10 16	46,636 38½	20	35 62	96	1,224 31	1625	L. s. d. 4,497 13 10

*Ordered*, That the said Report, Accounts and Abstracts, do lie on the table to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Petition of Richard Scott and Thomas Bulgin was presented by Mr. O'Brien, and read, stating that the Petitioners had opened a Slate Quarry in the Township of Rawdon, and were now engaged in manufacturing of Slates, and praying the encouragement of the House.

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

Mr. Haliburton reported from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Council on the subject of the School Bill, that the Committee had complied with the order of the House, and made an Extract in writing of the Proceedings of the Council therein; which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it to the House, and is as follows:

“ 21st JANUARY, 1824.”

“ Mr. Justice Haliburton, and Mr. Binney, to whom was referred the School Bill, reported as follows, viz.”

“ That the Bill did not vary materially from the Bill of last year in any material respect, except in the expense, which was increased in the present Bill from £150 to £175 for each County and District; and from £100 to £125 for the National, Acadian, and Catholic Schools, in Halifax.”

“ *Ordered*, That the Report be confirmed.”

“ Whereupon it was *resolved*, That the further consideration of the Bill be deferred for three Months.”

“ *Resolved*, also, That His Majesty's Council will be disposed to concur in a Bill, which has for its object to afford reasonable assistance to Poor Persons, to enable them to teach their children reading, writing, and arithmetic; but they cannot concur in any Bill which provides for the education of the Children of the Rich and the Poor, indiscriminately, at the public expense.”

“ *Ordered*, That the Report of the Committee do lie on the Table to be perused by the Members of the House.”

Mr. Lawton delivered to the House, a Report from the Auditor of Public Accounts, of the expenditure of the several sums of Money, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges, throughout the Province, in the year 1823,

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

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

*Monday,*

Monday, 26th January, 1824.

PRAYERS

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 Bill relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, 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 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.

The amendments to the Bill 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.

Mr. Ritchie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts heretofore passed relative to Highways, Roads and Bridges, 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 Twelve of the Clock.

Tuesday, 27th January, 1824.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to punish Persons guilty of maliciously killing or maiming Cattle, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to punish Persons guilty of maliciously killing or maiming Cattle.

An engrossed Bill to regulate the Expenditure of Monies 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 regulate the Expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges.

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

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, *resolved*, That a Supply be granted to His Majesty.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Estimate of the charge for defraying the Expense of the Civil Establishment of Nova-Scotia for the year 1824, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

A Bill for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts, heretofore passed, relative to Highways and Roads, 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. James took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the Bills

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 Twelve of the Clock.

Wednesday, 28th January, 1824.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, was read a third time, and thereupon,

On motion, *resolved*, That the Bill do not pass, and that the further consideration of the same be postponed to this day three months.

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 Bill for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts, heretofore passed, relative to Highways, Roads and Bridges, 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 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.

The amendments to the Bill 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.

Mr. Smith, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to continue an Act for encouraging the Fisheries of this Province; and the same was read a first time.

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

A Petition of Jacob Shaffroth was presented by Mr. Uniacke, and read, praying that an Act may be passed, confirming him in a small piece of Land on the Peninsula of Halifax, originally laid out for a Public Road, for reasons set forth in the Petition.

A Petition of James Dawson, and others, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying to be allowed the Bounty on certain quantities of Salt, by them respectively supplied to Fishermen resident in the Magdalen Islands in the last year.

A Petition of William Corbet was presented by Mr. Smith, and read, praying to be relieved from an Execution obtained against him at the suit of the Crown, for certain Provincial Duties due by him and Thomas Davison and John Fennel.

A Petition of the Halifax Sugar Refinery Company was presented by Mr. Smith, and read, praying for a Drawback of the whole Duties now paid on Raw Sugar, manufactured by them, or such other encouragement to enable them to carry on their business as to the House shall seem meet.

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

Mr. Speaker delivered to the House a Letter received by him this day from the Deputy-Secretary of the Province, enclosing, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a Representation made by the Commissioners of the Streets and Roads of the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to His Excellency, on the subject of the two great Roads leading from the Basin to the Town of Halifax, and suggesting certain alterations and improvements therein, for the consideration of the Assembly.

The said Letter and Representation were read by the Clerk, and thereupon,  
*Ordered*, That the Papers do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, *resolved*, that this House will, To-morrow, take into consideration the General State of the Province.

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

*Thursday, 29th January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

On reading the Proceedings of Yesterday, Mr. Archibald moved, that the Resolution passed on the third reading of the Bill relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax be rescinded; which, being seconded and put, passed in the affirmative.

On motion, the Order of the Day was read.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the consideration of the General State of the 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 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 it is expedient to encourage the Fisheries of the Province, by granting a sum of money, to be applied in Bounties on the Tonnage of Vessels employed therein; also, to encourage the make of Merchantable Fish; and the importation of Salt.

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 State of the Province: 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.

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

*Friday, 30th January, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

A Petition of Shubael Dimock, and other Persons, Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Townships of Newport, Douglas and Rawdon, in the County of Hants, was presented by Mr. O'Brien, and read, praying that the sittings of the Courts and Sessions may be held at the Scotch Village in Newport, instead of Windsor, for the general convenience and benefit of the Inhabitants of the said County.

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

Mr. Wier, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to alter the place of sitting of His Majesty's Courts in the County of Hants, and the same was read a first time.

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

A Petition of the Trustees of the Pictou Academy was presented by Mr. W.-A. Chipman, and read, praying for pecuniary aid, and such enlargement of Powers to the Institution as to the House may seem meet.

A Petition of James Cofsman was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and read, praying for pecuniary aid, to enable him to repair a Grift and Saw-Mill, erected by him on the River Scissabou.

A Petition of Joseph Moreland was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying compensation for an injury sustained by him in consequence of a new Road having been laid out through his Land, in the Township of Dartmouth.

A Petition of Hugh McDonald, and others, Freeholders of the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. T. Dickson, and read, praying that the Poll for the Election of Members for that County may, in future, be held at Sherbrooke Village, in said Township, instead of Country Harbour.

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

Mr. T. Dickson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly, and the same was read a first time.

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

A Petition of Richard Bulger was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying to be relieved from the payment of the sum of £110 17s. 11d for interest and costs on a sum of money due by the Petitioner to the Province, as surety for Edward M'Sweeney, an Insolvent Debtor.

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

Mr. Ritchie moved, that a Committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to carry into effect the Resolution passed yesterday in the Committee on the General State of the Province, which being seconded, thereupon,

Mr. Fairbanks moved an amendment to the foregoing motion, as follows, viz:—Leave out the words from the word "in" and insert in place thereof the words following, viz. Three several and distinct Bills for carrying into effect the Resolution of the Committee on the General State of the Province: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment Fifteen; against it, Sixteen:

For the amendment:

<i>Mr. Wier,</i>	<i>Mr. Fairbanks,</i>
<i>Mr. W. A. Chipman,</i>	<i>Mr. Poole,</i>
<i>Mr. Wells,</i>	<i>Mr. W. Dickson,</i>
<i>Mr. Albro,</i>	<i>Mr. Archibald,</i>
<i>Mr. Lawson,</i>	<i>Mr. Flemming,</i>
<i>Mr. Smith,</i>	<i>Mr. J. I. Chipman,</i>
<i>Mr. Church,</i>	<i>Mr. T. Dickson,</i>
<i>Mr. Blair.</i>	

Against the amendment:

<i>Mr. Bishop,</i>	<i>Mr. Ritchie,</i>
<i>Mr. M'Kinnon,</i>	<i>Mr. Fraser,</i>
<i>Mr. Young,</i>	<i>Mr. Ruggles,</i>
<i>Mr. Dewolf,</i>	<i>Mr. Morse,</i>
<i>Mr. James,</i>	<i>Mr. Robertson,</i>
<i>Mr. O'Brien,</i>	<i>Mr. Uniacke,</i>
<i>Mr. W. H. Roach,</i>	<i>Mr. Demison,</i>
<i>Mr. Campbell,</i>	<i>Mr. Heckman,</i>

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Ritchie's motion was then put and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Dewolf, be a Committee for bringing in a Bill accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, 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. Wells 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.

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks, *ordered*, That the two Abstracts of the Importation of Dutiable Articles into this Province, within the last year, as reported by the Committee of Public Accounts, be printed in the Royal Gazette.

Mr. Speaker delivered to the House the following Papers, received by him this day, viz:

A Letter from the Deputy-Secretary of the Province, on the Surveys of the Lines of Counties, &c.

A Report from the Surveyor-General to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, of Surveys of Lines of Counties, &c. made in the year 1823, in pursuance of the votes of the Legislature in the years 1820 and 1822.

A General Report from the Surveyor-General to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, of the Surveys of the Lines and Boundaries of Counties and Districts of the Province, under His Excellency's orders and directions, in pursuance of the vote of the Legislature, with a statement of the Expense attending the same in the years 1821, 1822, and 1823, amounting to £747 15s.; also,

A Letter from the Surveyor-General to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, enclosing to His Excellency the before mentioned Reports of Survey.

The said Letters and Reports were read by the Clerk, and thereupon,

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

A Petition of William Randall, and others, of the County of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and read, praying that a sum of Money may be granted for clearing out the Annapolis River, for the navigation of Boats, &c. from the West Bridge to the East line of the County on the said River.

A Petition of John F. J. Gschwind, was presented by Mr. Uniacke, and read, praying compensation for services performed by him as Health-Officer for the Port of Halifax, from 1st Jan. to 31st December, 1823.

A Petition of John Whitman and others, Freeholders of the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. Church, and read, praying that the House will take into consideration the present situation of that County, relative to its Representation in the Assembly, in consequence of the resignation of J. G. Marshall, Esq.

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, *ordered*, that the said Petition, and also the Letter of J. G. Marshall, Esq. to Mr. Speaker, be referred to the Committee of Privileges, who are to examine into the subject matter thereof, and report thereon to the House.

A Petition of the Magistrates of the Town of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Albro, and read, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support and maintenance of the Bridewell Establishment in the said Town.

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

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

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*Saturday, 31st January, 1824.*

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PRAYERS.

A Bill in addition to and amendment of an Act for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly, was read a second time.

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

A Petition of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of Windsor was presented by Mr. Frazer, and read, praying that the Bill to alter the place of sitting of His Majesty's Courts in the County of Hants may not pass the House.

A Petition of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of Falmouth was presented by Mr. Frazer, and read, praying that the Bill to alter the place of sitting of His Majesty's Courts in the County of Hants may not pass into a Law.

A Petition of Thomas Dickson was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying for pecuniary aid as an encouragement to him for having lately erected a Mill at Truro, at a heavy expense, for the manufacture of Flour, Oat Meal and Shelled Barley.

A Petition of Walter Bromley was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying pecuniary aid towards the support and establishment of an Institution at Halifax, for affording employment to Indigent Females.

A Petition of William Scott, and others, Inhabitants of the Townships of Douglass, Rawdon and Newport, in the County of Hants, was presented by Mr. O'Brien, and read, praying that the sittings of the Courts for the said County may be held at the Scotch Village, in Newport, instead of Windfor.

A Petition of William Lutwidge of New Musquodobeit, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying for pecuniary aid to enable him to erect a Grift Mill for the benefit of the Inhabitants in that Settlement.

A Petition of Edward Browne was presented by Mr. Albro, and read, praying compensation for his services in reporting the Proceedings of the House of Assembly for the last seven years.

A Petition of John G. Gauld, and others, Inhabitants of Rawdon, was presented by Mr. O'Brien, and read, praying that the Communication by Post may be extended to that Settlement.

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

Mr. Speaker delivered to the House a Letter, received by him this day, from the Deputy-Secretary of the Province, enclosing, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a Memorial which His Excellency had recently received from Mrs. Eliza Monk, Widow of the late George Henry Monk, Esq. for many years one of the Assistant Justices of the Supreme Court in this Province, praying for a Pension.

The said Letter and Memorial were read by the the Clerk, and *ordered* to lie on the Table.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 Monday, at Twelve of the Clock.

*Monday, 2nd February, 1824.*

#### PRAYERS.

On motion, *ordered*, That the Letter from the Deputy-Secretary of the Province, and also the representation of the Commissioners of the Streets and Roads of the Town and Peninsula of Halifax accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 sum of Twelve Thousand Pounds should be granted for the Service of Roads and Bridges throughout the Province, for the present year, to be appropriated and applied in such manner as shall hereafter be agreed upon by the Legislature.

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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 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 Resolution to the Council and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of Isaac Webster and others, Inhabitants and Settlers on Cornwallis River, was presented by Mr. Wells, and read, praying for pecuniary aid to assist them in clearing out and removing the obstructions to the navigation of the said River.

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

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

*Tuesday, 3d February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

On motion, *resolved*, that this House will, on Thursday next, the 5th instant, take into consideration the several Private Petitions now before the House.

Mr. T. Dickson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate and increase the number of times for holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the County of Sydney, and the same was read a first time.

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

A Bill to alter the place of sitting of His Majesty's Courts in the County of Hants, was read a second time; also,

The Petition of Shubael Dimock, and others; the Petition of William Scott and others; the Petition of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Township of Falmouth; and the Petition of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Township of Windfor, were severally read, and thereupon,

Mr. Fraser moved, that the further consideration of the said Bill be postponed to this day three months: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion Eighteen; against it, Thirteen:

For the motion:

Mr. Blair,	Mr. Fraser,
Mr. Ritchie,	Mr. Ruggles,
Mr. Fairbanks,	Mr. Heckman,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. Albro,
Mr. Wells,	Mr. James,
Mr. Poole,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Haliburton,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. T. Roach,	Mr. J. I. Chipman,
Mr. W. H. Roach,	Mr. Dennison,

Against the motion:

Mr. Wier,	Mr. R. Dickson,
Mr. Church,	Mr. M'Kinnon,
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Bishop,	Mr. Flemming,
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Archibald,	
Mr. O'Brien,	
Mr. Uniacke,	
Mr. T. Dickson,	

So it passed in the affirmative.

On motion, *resolved*, that the Bill relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, be recommended to a Committee of the whole House.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to punish Persons guilty of Maliciously Killing or Maiming Cattle, with an amendment, to which amendment they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the Bill to regulate the expenditure of Monies for the Service of Roads and Bridges.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Ordered,*

*Ordered*, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. W. A. Chipman and Mr. Frazer, do manage 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, *resolved*, that a further Conference be desired with the Council on the subject matter of the last Conference, and that the Clerk do request the same.

The Clerk reported that the Council had agreed to a further Conference as desired by the House.

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

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

Mr. Ritchie reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the subject matter of the Conference to the 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. James took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, 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 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.

The amendments to the Bill 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.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House a Letter, received by him this day, from the Deputy-Secretary of the Province, enclosing, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a Copy of a Dispatch from Earl Bathurst to His Excellency, in answer to an earnest application made to His Lordship by His Excellency, relative to King's College and Dalhousie College.

The said Dispatch was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :

DOWNING-STREET, 9th MAY, 1823.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 20th March last, renewing your request to appropriate One Thousand Pounds, currency, from the Revenue arising from His Majesty's Coal Mines, to the Governors of King's College, and a similar sum to the Governors of Dalhousie College, for the benefit of those Institutions.

As the payment of the sums recommended by you, will not be sufficient to relieve those useful Establishments from the embarrassments in which they are at present involved, it appears to be only reasonable, that the Legislature should be called upon to grant its assistance to Institutions, from which such important advantages may be expected to result to the Province.

I am therefore to desire that you will inform the Legislature, that you are authorized to advance from the Revenue of the Coal Mines, One Thousand Pounds, currency, to King's College, and a similar sum to Dalhousie College, provided that Grants, to an equal amount, are voted by the Province in aid of each of those Institutions.

I have the honor to be,

Yc. Yc. Yc.

BATHURST.

(Signed)

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR JAMES KEMPT, K. G. C.

Yc. Yc. Yc.

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

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

Wednesday,

Wednesday, 4th February, 1821.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to regulate and increase the number of times for holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the County of Sydney, was read a second time.

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

Mr. Lawton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the preservation of Trout, and the same was read a first time.

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

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendment made by the Council, to the Bill to punish persons guilty of maliciously killing or maiming Cattle, and the same was read throughout a first and second time, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to the said amendment, and that the Clerk do carry the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Lawton delivered to the House the undermentioned Papers received by him from the Treasurer of the Province, and recommended to be provided for, by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, viz.

An Abstract and Vouchers of Expenditures for repairs of the Government-House in the last year, amounting to £245 19 11

An Abstract and Vouchers of Expenditures for repairs of the Province House, in the last year, amounting to 97 1 11½

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*Ordered*, That the said Abstracts and Vouchers be referred to Mr. W. A. Chipman, Mr. James, and Mr. Wells, who are to examine into the same, and report thereon to the House.

Mr. W. A. Chipman, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill, in addition to an Act, entitled, An Act for founding, establishing and maintaining, an Academy at Pictou, in this Province, and the same was read a first time.

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

On motion, *resolved*, That the Bill for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts heretofore passed, relative to Highways, Roads and Bridges, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the Expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Blair, *resolved*, that this House will, on Monday next, the 9th inst. proceed to the further consideration of the General State of the Province.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a Conference, by Committee, on the subject of the Resolution for granting the Sum of £12,000 for the service of Roads and Bridges.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Archibald and Mr. Roach, do manage 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.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to restrain the Issuing Writs of Attachment in certain Cases, with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the said amendments, and the same were read throughout a first time.

On motion, *resolved*, That the amendments be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Morse, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to alter the place of holding the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland, and the same was read a first time.

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

A Petition of the Grand Jury of the County of Halifax was presented by Mr. Fairbanks, and read, praying that a sum of money may be granted for the erection of a Tread-Mill, to be connected with the Bridewell Establishment in the Town of Halifax.

*Ordered*, That the Petition 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. James took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bills 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 Twelve of the Clock.

*Thursday, 5th February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill for the preservation of Trout; also,

A Bill to alter the place of holding the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland; and also,

A Bill in addition to an Act, entitled, An Act for founding, establishing and maintaining, an Academy at Pictou, were severally read a second time.

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

On motion, *resolved*, that a further Conference be desired with the Council on the subject matter of the Conference held yesterday, and that the Clerk do request the same.

The Clerk reported that the Council had agreed to the Conference as desired by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Managers who managed the last Conference do manage this 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. Hill :**

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a further Conference on the subject matter of the last Conference:

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do 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 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. Hill :**

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this House, for granting the sum of Twelve Thousand Pounds for the service of Roads and Bridges,

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, the Order of the Day was read ; and 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. 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 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. T. Roach, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed, to be composed of a Member for each County and District, to prepare and bring in a Scale of the General Division of the sum of £12,000 appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges throughout the Province for the present year.

*Ordered*, That Mr. T. Roach, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Smith, Mr. Heckman, Mr. M'Kinnon, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. W. A. Chipman, Mr. Archibald, Mr. Dewolf, Mr. Haliburton, Mr. T. Dickson, and Mr. Uniacke, be a Committee accordingly.

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

*Friday, 6th February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

Mr. T. Roach reported from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Scale for the General Division of the Sum appropriated for the Service of Roads and Bridges throughout the Province, that the Committee had drawn up a Scale of Appropriation accordingly ; 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, viz.

Scale of Appropriation for the Service of Roads and Bridges throughout the Province, viz.

*For the Great Roads and the County of Cape Breton.*

For the opening and completing a road from M'Alpine's through the Valley to the Exercising Ground, pursuant to the recommendation of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and according to the plan accompanying the same	L.400 0 0
For the road from M'Alpine's to Fultz's	100 0 0
From Fultz's to the Three Mile Plain on the Windsor road	300 0 0
From the Three Mile Plain to the North side of Avon Bridge	100 0 0
From Avon Bridge to the Stone Bridge in Horton, including the Bridge over Gaspereau River	100 0 0

*Carried Forward*

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	<i>Brought Forward</i>	L.1000	0	0
From the Stone Bridge in Horton to the great Causeway on the Annapolis Road, west bounds of Cornwallis		40	0	0
From the great Causeway to the West bounds of Aylesford		20	0	0
From the West Bounds of Aylesford to Hicks's Bridge		40	0	0
From Hicks's Bridge to Annapolis		30	0	0
For the road between Annapolis and Digby, including Bear River Bridge		70	0	0
From Digby to Scissabou Bridge		50	0	0
From Scissabou to Yarmouth Line		80	0	0
From Yarmouth to Parry's		20	0	0
From Yarmouth to Argyle River		30	0	0
From Argyle to the bounds of Barrington Township		50	0	0
From Barrington to Shelburne		20	0	0
From Jordan River to the bounds of Queen's County		50	0	0
From Hamond's Plain to Margaret's Bay to the bounds of Lunenburg County		50	0	0
From Lunenburg bounds to Chester		50	0	0
From Chester to the Town of Lunenburg		75	0	0
From Lunenburg to LaHave		50	0	0
From Petit River to the bounds of Queen's County		75	0	0
From the bounds of Queen's County to Liverpool		75	0	0
From Liverpool to the bounds of Shelburne County		100	0	0
From Chester to Windsor		150	0	0
From Hamond's Plain to the Dalhousie Settlement		200	0	0
From Dalhousie Settlement to Annapolis		200	0	0
From Beaver Bank to Noel		150	0	0
From Dartmouth to Fletcher's		200	0	0
From Fletcher's to M'Keen's Mills at the entrance of Truro		270	0	0
From the East end of Eskinish Bridge to the bounds of Cumberland County		75	0	0
From the bounds of Cumberland County to Amherst		125	0	0
From Londonderry to the Harbour of Pugwash by the Folly Lake		75	0	0
From Onslow to Tatamagushie, on the Post Road		150	0	0
From Remsheg to the River John, on the Shore Road		150	0	0
From Truro to the District Line of Pictou		30	0	0
From the District Line to the West River of Pictou, including a Bridge at Macgillivray		220	0	0
From Fisher's Grant to the line of the bounds of Sydney		150	0	0
From Malignant Cove to Antigonishe		50	0	0
From Antigonishe to the Gut of Causo through Tracadie		150	0	0
From Preston to the Upper Settlement of Musquodoboit		100	0	0
From Musquodoboit to the Line of Sydney County		50	0	0
From the line of Sydney County through St. Mary's to the Guysborough Church		50	0	0
From Guysborough Church to Antigonishe		50	0	0
For, and as an aid, for the Bridge over the Macan River near to Peter Wood's, in the County of Cumberland, to be paid on application of the Commissioner, the said Bridge being now completed		80	0	0
For opening the new road from Annapolis to Liverpool		50	0	0
For the County of Cape-Breton		1000	0	0
		<u>£5700</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
For the District of Halifax	-	-	-	£ 545
Colchester	-	-	-	545
Pictou	-	-	-	600
For the County of Sydney	-	-	-	600
Cumberland,	-	-	-	540
Hants	-	-	-	570
King's County	-	-	-	570
Annapolis	-	-	-	620
Shelburne	-	-	-	620
Queen's County	-	-	-	545
Lunenburg	-	-	-	545
				<u>6,300</u>
				<u>£12,000</u>
				<u>0</u>
				<u>0</u>

The said Report was, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Scale of Appropriation, except such part thereof as relates to the Great Roads, and the County of Cape-Breton, be referred to the Members of the several Counties and Districts, and that the said Members for each County or District do prepare and bring into the House a Scale of the Subdivision of the Sum appropriated for their respective County or District for the Service of Roads and Bridges.

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Mr. Robertson presented to the House several Petitions, praying aids for Roads, viz:—

A Petition of Henry Parker and John Merry, of the Dalhousie Settlement.

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Mr. Fairbanks presented to the House a Petition of Thomas Holland, and others, of Margaret's Bay, praying an aid for a Road.

Mr. Poole presented to the House a Petition of Job Reynard, praying aid for a Bridge over Tusket River.

Mr. Archibald presented to the House a Petition of William Currie, and others, of Tatamagouche and Remsheg, praying aid for a Road.

Mr. Haliburton presented to the House several Petitions, praying aids for Roads, viz :

A Petition of Alexander M'Phee, of Douglass,

A Petition of J. Withrow, and others, of Rawdon.

A Petition of John Burnes, and others, of Douglass.

Mr. W. A. Chipman presented to the House several Petitions, praying aids for Roads, viz :

A Petition of John West, and others, of Aylesford.

A Petition of John Lockart, and others, of Parrsborough.

A Petition of Henry Parker, and others, of Dalhousie Settlement.

A Petition of Nathaniel Parker, Jun. and others, of Aylesford.

Mr. Lawson presented to the House several Petitions, praying aids for Roads, viz :

A Petition of John Kerr, and others, of Musquodoboit.

A Petition of the Rev. Charles Ingles, and others, of Preston, and Cole Harbour.

A Petition of James Benvie, and others, of Musquodoboit.

A Petition of Israel Nickerson, and others, of St. Mary's.

A Petition of Edward Allen, and others, of Beech Hill.

A Petition of Charles Dunbrack, and others, of Lower Musquodoboit, for a Bridge.

Mr. Albro presented to the House a Petition of John Boutilier, and others, of Margaret's Bay, praying aid for a Road.

Mr. William Dickson, presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads, viz :

A Petition of James Johnston, of Truro.

A Petition of William Thom, and others, Upper Settlement, Salmon River, Truro.

A Petition of James Smith, and others, of a Road Eastward of Sewack River.

Mr. Bishop presented to the House a Petition of Joshua Marsh, and others, on the road leading from Economy to the River Philip, praying aid for a road.

Mr. T. Dickson presented a Petition of William Walmsley, and others, of the West River of Antigonishe, praying an aid for a Road.

Mr. Blair presented to the House a Petition of Duncan Mathison, and others, of the Gulf Shore, Remsheg, praying aid for a Road.

Mr. Smith presented a Petition of Alexander M'Kenzie, and others, of the District of Pictou, and the River John, praying aid for a Road.

Mr. W. H. Roach presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads, viz :

A Petition of Samuel Doty, and others, of Scissabou River.

A Petition of Gerard Welsh, and others, of Digby.

Mr. Ritchie presented to the House several Petitions, praying aids for Roads, viz :

A Petition of Henry Holland, and others, of Wilmot and Annapolis.

A Petition of Philip Backman, and others, of the County of Annapolis.

A Petition of John Grinton, and others.

Mr. O'Brien presented to the House several Petitions, praying aids for Roads, viz :

A Petition of William Smith, and others, of Rawdon.

A Petition of Joshua Wallace, and others, of Rawdon.

Mr. Ruggles presented to the House a Petition of Israel Fellows, and others, of Granville, praying aid for a Road.

*Ordered*, That the said several Petitions praying aid for the service of Roads and Bridges, be referred to the Members of the several Counties and Districts, who are to prepare and bring in a Scale for the subdivision of the Sums to be appropriated for the same.

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. 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 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 Twelve of the Clock.

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*Saturday, 7th February, 1824.*

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PRAYERS.

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. 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 had come to several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow:

The Petition of John Muncey, and the Petition of Joseph Moreland, were severally read and considered, and thereupon,

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

The Petition of George P. Lawton; the Petition of William Randall, and others; the Petition of John T. F. Gichwind; and the Petition of Isaac Webster, and others, were severally read, and thereupon,

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

The Petition of William A. Black, Samuel Black and Thomas Hosterman, was read and considered, and thereupon,

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

The Petition of Eliza Monk was read and considered, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that so much of the prayer of the Petition should be granted as to enable the Petitioner to receive the Pension granted to her late Husband, up to the 31st day of December last.

The Petition of Phineas Lovett, Jun.; the Petition of Richard Scott and Thomas Bulgin; the Petition of Jacob Shaffroth; the Petition of James Dawson, and others; the Petition of William Corbet; and also the Petition of Richard Bulger, were severally read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the said Petitions should severally be referred to a select Committee, to be appointed by the House, for the purpose of examining into the merits of the same, respectively, and reporting thereon to the House.

The Petition of Hugh M'Donald, and others, was read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee that the Petition should be referred to the Committee of the whole House on the consideration of Bills.

The Petition of the Halifax Sugar Refinery Company, was read, and thereupon, *Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the said Petition should be referred to a select Committee to examine into the same and report thereon, and also to Report the expediency and best mode of encouraging the manufactory referred to in the Petition.

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 report 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 Petition of Phineas Lovett, Jun. be referred to Mr. W. H. Roach, Mr. Wells, and Mr. Ruggles, agreeably to the Resolution passed in the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Richard Scott and Thomas Bulgin, be referred to Mr. Uniacke, Mr. O'Brien, and Mr. W. A. Chipman, agreeably to the Resolution of the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Jacob Shaffroth be referred to Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Albro, and Mr. Dewolf, agreeably to the Resolution of the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of James Dawson, and others, be referred to Mr. Archibald, Mr. T. Roach, and Mr. Blair, agreeably to the Resolution of the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of William Corbet, be referred to Mr. Lawton, Mr. O'Brien, and Mr. Bishop, agreeably to the Resolution passed in the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of the Halifax Sugar Refinery Company, be referred to Mr. Smith, Mr. Ritchie and Mr. James, agreeably to the Resolution of the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Richard Bulger, be referred to Mr. Archibald, Mr. W. A. Chipman and Mr. Dennison, agreeably to the Resolution passed in the Committee of the whole House.

On motion, the Petition of James Cossman was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Ritchie.

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

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*Monday, 9th February, 1824.*

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PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.

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

A Petition of Alexander McNabb, and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Remseg, in the County of Cumberland, was presented by Mr. T. Roach, and read, praying that the sittings of the Supreme Court at the River Philip, as at present established by Law, may not be altered; and also that the Inferior Court and General Sessions of the Peace for the said County, may in future be held at the same place.

A Petition of Charles Baker, First Justice of the Common Pleas and Custos Rotulorum of the County of Cumberland, was presented by Mr. Morie, and read, praying that the Building erected for a Court-House at the River Philip may be sold, and the proceeds applied to repair the Court-House at Amherst, and that the Sessions of the Supreme Court may in future be held at Amherst for the general benefit of the Inhabitants of the said County.

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

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of James Dawson, and others, 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 the Committee have carefully investigated the subject referred to them, and recommend to the House to grant the prayer of the Petition, so far as relates to the Salt sold by the Petitioners.

ers severally, but as regards the quantity expended without sale by the Petitioners the Committee cannot recommend the payment of any sum of Money, as those claims do not fall within the regulations of the Law.

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

Mr. W. H. Roach reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of Phineas Lovett, Jun. 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 the Committee have considered the Statement of Facts made by the Petitioner, and also examined the Vouchers accompanying the Petition, and are of opinion, that the Petitioner is entitled to the drawback on 72 cwt. 1 qr. and 27 pounds of Sugar, amounting to £10 11 5.

On motion, *resolved*, That the said Report and Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of Richard Bulger 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 the Committee have examined into the several matters contained in the Petition, and, considering the peculiar hardship of the case of the Petitioner, they beg leave to recommend to the House to grant the prayer of the same.

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

On motion, the Order of the Day was read ; and thereupon,

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 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 Judicature of this Province requires consideration and 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 General State of the Province, which the House agreed to.

The said Resolution was read throughout a first and second time, and, thereupon, Mr. Lawson moved, that the House do not agree to the same, which being seconded and put, and the House dividing: there appeared for the motion, Sixteen ; against it, Eighteen :

For the Motion :

Mr. Wells,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Poole,	Mr. Ruggles,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. Dennison,
Mr. Eishop,	Mr. Ritchie,
Mr. Albro,	Mr. Flemming,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Heckman,
Mr. Church,	Mr. Wier,
Mr. Young,	Mr. W. H. Roach,

Against the Motion :

Mr. R. Dickson,	Mr. Morse,
Mr. James,	Mr. Archibald,
Mr. Fairbanks,	Mr. J. I. Chipman,
Mr. W. Dickson,	Mr. Uniacke,
Mr. T. Roach,	Mr. Dewolf,
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. M. Kimon,
Mr. Smith,	Mr. T. Dickson,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Haliburton,
Mr. Blair,	Mr. Fraser,

So it passed in the negative.

The said Resolution was then put and agreed to by the House.

Pursuant to order the undermentioned Members delivered to the House a Scale of the sub-division of the several Sums of Money appropriated for Roads and Bridges in the respective Counties and Districts of the Province.

Mr. Lawson, for the District of Halifax.

Mr. Archibald for the District of Colchester.

Mr.

Mr. Smith for the District of Pictou.  
 Mr. T. Roach for the County of Cumberland.  
 Mr. T. Dickson for the County of Sydney.  
 Mr. McKinnon, for the County of Shelburne.  
 Mr. Dewulf, for Queen's County.  
 Mr. Heckman, for the County of Lunenburg.  
 Mr. Ritchie, for the County of Annapolis.  
 Mr. Haliburton, for the County of Hants.  
 Mr. W. A. Chipman, for the County of King's County.

And the House having taken the same, and also, the sums appropriated for the Great Roads and the County of Cape-Breton, into consideration,

*Resolved*, That the appropriation of the several sums for the Great Roads and the County of Cape-Breton, as reported by the Committee on the 6th inst. be sent to the Council for their concurrence.

*Resolved*, That the sum of £545, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the District of Halifax, be applied as follows:

For the road from Salmon River Bridge in Preston, to the bridge over Porter's Lake, including repairing said Bridge	£30	0	0
For the road from the said Bridge down west side said Lake	12	0	0
For the road from said Bridge up west side said Lake	8	0	0
For the road from head of Porter's Lake to the road leading from Preston Mills to Musquodoboit	15	0	0
For road leading from Main Road east of Porter's Lake Bridge, to west side of Chizencook Harbour	10	0	0
For the road leading from Simpson's in Preston, to Cole Harbour	10	0	0
For the road from Lawlor's to Salmon River Bridge, on the road leading to Lawrence Town	10	0	0
For the road from Horn's to Cumming's, in Cole Harbour, and repairing the Bridge over Cow Bay River	20	0	0
For the road from Spryfield to Forks of Margaret's Bay Road, near Umfach's	5	0	0
For the Margaret's Bay Road, from the Nine Mile River, or Indian Lake, to the Bay	40	0	0
For the road from where the Halifax Road reaches the Bay, down the East side thereof to Peggy's Cove, to } be expended next the Cove	15	0	0
For the road from where the Halifax Road reaches the Bay, up the East side thereof to Kiddy's	10	0	0
For the Old Road from Head of Margaret's Bay towards Halifax, by Keizer's	25	0	0
For opening a road from North-East part of the said Bay, towards the road leading to Chester from Ham- } mond's Plains	10	0	0
For the road from Prospect Road Bridge to Prospect	10	0	0
For the road from Forks of Prospect and Margaret's Bay Road to Drysdale's	8	0	0
For road from Harriet Fields to Sambro	5	0	0
For road in Harriet Fields from the Point where it leads to Sambro, three miles towards Halifax	10	0	0
For road from Harriet Fields to Lower Prospect, by Frederick Howman's	5	0	0
For road from Herring Cove Road to Ketch Harbour	10	0	0
For the road from the Falls, near Sheet Harbour, to Little River Bridge, leading to Musquodoboit	8	0	0
For the road from Beaver Dam to Rocky Brook	30	0	0
For the road from Sheet Harbour to Beaver Harbor	6	0	0
For the road from John Crookshank's, over Little River to William Cook's	10	0	0
For the road from Peter Amrox's house to John Ogilvie's	10	0	0
For the road in Musquodoboit, from M'Dougal's gate to Brown's Bridge	8	0	0
For the road to Garby's, and thence to John Gibbs's	10	0	0
For the road from Dartmouth to Sackville	25	0	0
For the road from Fuitz's to Beaver Bank	25	0	0
For aid in building a Bridge over the Shubenacadie, near Tremain's	20	0	0
For the road leading to Musquodoboit, from near James Keys's	30	0	0
For the road from George Grassie's in Musquodoboit, to Johnson Callbeck's	20	0	0
For the road from the Bridge near Johnson Callbeck's, to John Lyndsey's, and from thence to M'Haffay's, Up- } per Line	10	0	0
For aiding the Inhabitants to open a road from Stewiack to the new road leading from Halifax to Musquodoboit	15	0	0
For aiding the Inhabitants of Lower Musquodoboit to build a bridge near Christopher Dufman's, at Meagher's Grant	25	0	0
For the road from Beech Hill to Hosterman's Mill	5	0	0
For the Fort Needham Road to Piets's	15	0	0
For the road from Windsor Road to the Brushy Hills	5	0	0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £545, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the District of Colchester, be applied as follows, viz:

From Dickie's on the Halifax Road to Upper Stewack	£15	0	0
From Upper Stewiack to Musquodoboit	10	0	0
From Halifax Road to Stewiack by Brookfield	10	0	0
From Dickie's, Lower Stewiack, to the Shubenacadie Meeting House	10	0	0
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From Fort Ellis to Robert Pollock's	L.10	0	0
From Halifax Road to Musquodobit, by Sibley's	10	0	0
From the South Branch of the Stewiack towards Halifax by James Fisher's	5	0	0
From Henry Miller's to Middle Stewiack	35	0	0
From Robert Logan's, in Upper Stewiack, to Pictou, through New Lairg	15	0	0
From Stewiack towards Halifax, by the New Middle Road	10	0	0
From John Christie's, Jun. to Greenfield	10	0	0
From the Pictou Road near Salmon River, down the North Branch to the Great Falls	5	0	0
From Brookfield to Archibald's Mills on the Eleven Mile Lake	10	0	0
From Daniel Hingler's, Salmon River, towards River John	10	0	0
From George Young's Farm to the Halifax Road, near Dunlap's	5	0	0
From the Mouth of Shubenacadie River to Green's Farm, up the River	20	0	0
From the Old Barns to the Shubenacadie River, by Sanderson's	10	0	0
From the Lower Village of Truro to the forks of the Halifax Road	10	0	0
From Upper Stewiack Road to the New Settlement, by James Smith's	5	0	0
To repair the Salmon River Bridge on the Main Post Road, and to raise the road on the north side of said Bridge	50	0	0
From John Dickson's, Onslow Mountain, to Benjamin Lynd's, on said Mountain	10	0	0
From George Crowe's to M'Collum's Bridge	10	0	0
From Upham's Mills through Kempton	10	0	0
From the Tatamagoushe Road to Solomon Rude's, by Cuttin's	10	0	0
From Baird's line to Crowe's Mills	10	0	0
From Onslow to Tatamagoushe, on the Road as altered by a Jury, and to cover £10 to John Crow, Jun. and } others, by the Jury, for damages, in leading the road through their improvements	25	0	0
From Onslow Meeting House to Crowe's Mill	10	0	0
From Crowe's Mills to Baruhills	10	0	0
From Roderick M'Kenzie's (Upper Settlement of the West Branch River John) to John M'Keen's on the } Tatamagoush Road	10	0	0
From Tatamagoush Road to New-Annand	10	0	0
From Andrew Christie's to John Christie's	5	0	0
From Richard Elliot's on the Pictou Road, to James Johnson's, in the back settlement	5	0	0
For Slack's Crossway	10	0	0
From Robert M'Nutt's to James Cottam's	10	0	0
From James Cottam's to Remsheg Road	10	0	0
From Remsheg Road to Thomas Crowe's	15	0	0
From Thomas Crowe's to Folly Hill	10	0	0
From Asa Clark's to Remsheg Road	10	0	0
From Asa Clark's to the road leading from Barss River to River Philip	10	0	0
From the Upper Settlement on Barss River, to the Cumberland road by M'Lelland's	10	0	0
From George Murray's, Portipique, to James Sutherland's on the Cobequid Mountain	10	0	0
From Economy to River Philip	10	0	0
From Thomas Carr's, Upper Settlement of Portipique, to Gabriel Purdie's, Esq.	10	0	0
From Great Village Bridge to Parrsborough line	20	0	0
From Samuel Hill's to the Back Settlements of Economy by M'Laughlin's Farm	10	0	0
From Economy Bridge to the Boat Landing	10	0	0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £600, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the District of Pictou, be applied as follows, viz :

From the District line to the Town Gut	L.25	0	0
From Pictou Road to the River John	90	0	0
From the West River at Blanchard's to the East River Bridge	30	0	0
From New Glasgow to the Post road leading from Fisher's Grant to Antigonish, by William Fraser's	30	0	0
From the Ferry at Abercrombie's Point to the Lower Settlement, East River	20	0	0
From M'Lelland's Mount to the Head of the tide	15	0	0
From Andrew Anderson's, at New Blyth, to New Glasgow	10	0	0
From the Garden of Eden to M'Lelland's Brook	20	0	0
From David Murray's, Merrigowish, to the back Settlements, by W. M'Kenzie's	10	0	0
From David Whear's to branch East River to the Lower Settlement	15	0	0
From David Whear's up the West Branch	10	0	0
From Wilkin's Grant towards John Marshall's	10	0	0
From John Marshall's to Alexander Fraser's on the Middle River	15	0	0
From the Ferry at Abercrombie's point along Shore by Joseph Begg's	15	0	0
From Samuel Archibald's on Middle River to the Little Island	10	0	0
From the Little Island to the West River Bridge	10	0	0
From Duncan Cameron's towards Green Hill	10	0	0
From Andrew Marshall's towards the West Branch of the East River, besides the sum of £10 voted in 1822, } and £15 voted last year, still undrawn from the Treasury, these sums having been found insufficient	15	0	0
From John Mattheson's to Andrew M'Carra's	15	0	0
From John Mattheson's to the Pictou Road	10	0	0
From M'Millan's on the road leading from Andrew M'Carra's to the new Settlements on the line of road } leading past the West Branch River John, towards Earl Town to the District line	15	0	0
From River John leading towards Earl Town	10	0	0
From Mount Dalhousie to Roger's Hill	15	0	1
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From Pictou to Carriboo	L.15	0	0
From Carriboo to Cape John	15	0	0
From Alexander Gaant's (Peter's Son) towards St. Mary's, including the sum of L.5 &c advanced by } Alexander Grant in 1819, while Commissioner on that road	20	0	0
From the Church on the Lower Settlement towards the Upper Settlement, East River	30	0	0
From New Larig to Stewiack, besides the sum of L.10 remaining unexpended since last year	10	0	0
From John M'Donald's to John Collie's leading towards Stewiack	10	0	0
From Fisher's Grant to Little Harbour	10	0	0
From River John Road to Robert M'Connell's	10	0	0
From John Robertson's south side West River up said River	10	0	0
From David Langell's, River John, up said River to the West Branch	10	0	0
From the Bridge on the Salt Springs up said River	10	0	0
From Rough's Mills to the line of the County of Sydney over the Mountain to Antigonish	15	0	0
From Little Harbor to Merigomish	10	0	0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £600, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Sydney for the present year, be applied as follows, viz.

From the County Line of Pictou to Malignant Cove	L.20	0	0
From Malignant Cove to Dorchester, to make an alteration in the road from Sipple's to Carroll's	20	0	0
From Dorchester to Black River, on the Manchester Road	40	0	0
From Black River towards Guysborough, to make an alteration from Samuel Atkins's across and down the South } side of the River, to the Cross Road, below Thomas Anderson's	30	0	0
From Milford Haven to Tracadie	25	0	0
From Boylston to the Gut of Canso	15	0	0
From Steep Creek, at the Gut of Canso, to the District line, and to make an alteration over Cape Porcupine	20	0	0
From Crow Harbour to Canso	50	0	0
From the South side of Chedebucto Bay to Torbay	10	0	0
From Guysborough to the Cross Road at Country Harbour	30	0	0
From the Cross Road at Country Harbour to the County Line	20	0	0
From William Grant's to Kenney's, on the Salmon River of Guysborough	10	0	0
From Sherbrooke to Indian Harbour	15	0	0
From Sherbrooke to Ekamsugan	15	0	0
From Sherbrooke to the Cross Roads at M'Keen's, on the East side of the East Branch of St. Mary's	35	0	0
From the Cross Roads at M'Keen's to Cameron's Bridge, at the head of College Lake	10	0	0
From Cameron's Bridge, at the head of College Lake, to Dorchester, by the Salt Springs	30	0	0
From Malignant Cove to David Ballantyne's round Cape George	15	0	0
From Dorchester Village to David Ballantyne's	40	0	0
From the Ferry at Antigonish to Tracadie	15	0	0
From Major G. Irish's to the Ohio Settlement	15	0	0
From Robert Campbell's, North Grant, to the County Line, through Hartshorn's Grant	10	0	0
From the road leading to the North Grant to the Gulf Shore, by Widow M'Eachen's	15	0	0
From Morris's Mill, Country Harbour, to the Cross Roads	10	0	0
From the Cross Roads at Country Harbour to the Guysborough Road, down the West side of the South River } of Antigonish	20	0	0
From Angus M'Donald's, Copper Smith, to the Back Settlements	10	0	0
From the mouth of the South River of Antigonish to St. Andrew's Chapel, on the New Road	10	0	0
From the St. Andrew's Chapel to the Lower forks of the Pompket River	10	0	0
From the Morris Town Lakes to the Gulf Shore	10	0	0
From Alexander Archibald's, St. Mary's, towards Pictou, by the Garden of Eden	10	0	0
To open a road from the road leading from the Salt Springs towards Sherbrooke, to the road leading along the } west side of the South River of Antigonish to Country Harbour	15	0	0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £540, appropriated for the Service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Cumberland, be applied as follows, viz :

For the Road and Bridges from Napan Bridge to the bounds of King's County, towards Partridge Island	£60	0	0
For the road from Partridge Island Road to the River Hebert, by the great bridge over Macan River, five } pounds of which on the road leading to Job Seaman's	25	0	0
For the Great Macan Bridge, in addition to the sum of L80 already appropriated for the same, to be paid on } application of the Commissioner ; the said Bridge being now completed	25	0	0
For the road from Barron's field to Partridge Island	20	0	0
For the Road and Bridges from the River Philip to Bass River, in Londonderry, to meet the Noel Road, } from Beaver Bank	40	0	0
For the road from Macan to the River Philip	20	0	0
For the road from Macan to the Five Islands	10	0	0
For the road from Amherst, to commence at Trueman's Mills, to the River Skinnimcas, and thence to Goose } River, and to the mouth of the River Philip, L15 of which is to be laid out from Goose River to the Ri- ver Philip	60	0	0
For the road near Horton's to the Gulf Shore, near to Peter M'Elman's	15	0	0
For the road from Gabriel Purdy's to Bebee's, on the Remshog River	30	0	0
For the road from Bebee's to the Harbour of Remshog	30	0	0
For the road from Pugwash Harbour to Peter Angevine's, and to aid the Inhabitants in rebuilding the Bridge } over the said river	25	0	0

For

For the road from the Town Plot of Rensselaer to John Tuttle's on the road leading to Amherst	£15 0 0
For the road from Pegwash to the River Philip, near John Tate's, at the New Bridge	30 0 0
For the road from John Tate's on the River Philip, to Andrew Fishner's, in Rensselaer	35 0 0
For the road from Pipe's, at Napan, to the Post Road near William Black's	15 0 0
For the Leicester road to the mouth of the River Philip	25 0 0
For the road from Little Fork Bridge at Macan to the new Settlement leading towards L. Hunter's	15 0 0
For the road from Horron's, in Rensselaer, to Dewar's Bridge towards Tatomagoush	20 0 0
For the road from Fox Harbour, on the Gulf Shore, to Tutth's in Rensselaer	15 0 0
For the new road from Gabriel Purdy's to Carl's, in Londonderry	10 0 0

*Resolved,* That the sum of £570, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Harris, be applied as follows, viz.

For the road from Pauke to the Windsor Road	£10 0 0
For the road from Winckworth to the Windsor Road	15 0 0
For the road from Windsor to the line of Chester	49 0 0
For the road from James Foxe's to the Lime Rocks, and to alter the road through Shey's land in Fulmouth	20 0 0
For the road from Payzant's to the Horton Road by M'Ginn's	10 0 0
For repairing the North Bank of Avon River	5 0 0
For the road from John Smith's to John Dimock's, Esq. in Newport	30 0 0
For the road from Mark Trefoy's to Felix Cochran's	15 0 0
For the road from Kenetcook Bridge to the Township line on the North side	10 0 0
For the road from Hugh Smith's to Richard Anthony's, to improve the new alteration of the same	10 0 0
For the road from Cogmagun Bridge to the Kenetcook Bridge	10 0 0
For the road from the Cross Road near Parker's Mill to James Sterling's on the Newport Road	10 0 0
For the road from the Rawdon Road to Asa Dimeck's	7 0 0
For the road from Petit Bridge to the Kenetcook Bridge at Lacey's Farm	16 0 0
For the road from Lawrence's to Rawdon Church	15 0 0
For the road from Rawdon Church to the Douglass Road	30 0 0
For the road from Rawdon Church to Taggart's, to commence at Elliot's West Line	15 0 0
For the road from Haley's to Harvie's in Newport	5 0 0
For the road from Bond's to Thompson's	10 0 0
For the road from James Stevens's to the School House near Cole's	5 0 0
For the road from Landerkin's to the Nine Mile River past Higgin's	5 0 0
For the main road from Mosher's to Douglass Church	30 0 0
For the main road past Douglass Church to Key's near Shubenaccadie	8 0 0
For the road from Petit to Tenecape	8 0 0
For the road from Tenecape to Noel	8 0 0
For the road from Noel to Shubenaccadie Village, to commence at M'Lellan's	8 0 0
For the road from Noel to Kenetcook	5 0 0
For the main road from Kniepp's to Hall's, along the Nine Mile River	35 0 0
For the road from Douglass Church to the Nine Mile River	15 0 0
For the road from the Five Mile River to Wardrobe's Bridge	30 0 0
For the Gore Road from Grant's to McDonald's	6 0 0
For the road from Taggart's to Ellis's	14 0 0
For an aid in completing the Bridge over the Nine Mile River, near Grant's, and to improve the road to Wardrobe's	13 0 0
For the road from Noel Road through the Settlement on the back line of the Kenetcook Lots eastward	6 0 0
For the road from Noel second division Lots to Petit, in addition to the sum of £5 granted last year, and undrawn from the Treasury	4 0 0
For the road from Lahay's at the Five Mile River to the Bridge over the same, near M'Dougal's	5 0 0
For the road near Hall's Bridge to the County Line on the North west side of Shubenaccadie Lake	5 0 0
For the road from Cockmagun to Cambridge, including the New Road near Wilcox's	25 0 0
For the road from Gardner Wilcox's to Fulton's	23 0 0
For the road from Petit Bridge to Joseph Parker's	5 0 0
For the road from Gardner Wilcox's on the line of the back Lots to Cogmagun	8 0 0
For the road from Fulton's to Petit Bridge	8 0 0
For the road from Cambridge to Scott's	8 0 0

*Resolved,* That the sum of £570, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of King's County, be applied as follows, viz :

For the road past Silas Rand's by John Worth's to the Annapolis Road, for the road from John Worth's by Abner Woodworth's, for the road from Strong's to the Annapolis Road, near Sharp's	} £12 10 0
For the road from Benjamin Condon's to Chase's and Skinner's Mill, and from said Mill northerly near William Clem's to the road leading to Aylesford Church	
For the road leading to Aylesford Church from Little Lake to the West Bounds of Cornwallis, and for the Road from John Worth's to James Spicer's, one half of said sum on each road	} 15 0 0
For the road from Little Lake, by Nathan West's and A. Calkin's, past Burges's to the Black Rock Road, for the road past James Burbidge's on the road to Aylesford Church, near William Rusco's, and for the road past John Perle's to Asa Bently's	
For the road from Strong's to Timothy White's; for the road from Samuel Parson's past Stephen Burges's, and for the road past Benjamin Rockwell's, Jun. to Dunham's	} 9 0 0

For

For the road past John H. Chipman's to Little Lake, on the Road leading to Aylesford Church	L.8 0 0
For the road near Walter Read's, past Gibson's westerly, to Amos Kinsman's	7 10 0
For the road from Randel Illalay's, to the Bay of Fundy, and from Edy Newcomb's to Hall's Harbour, and for the road from Robert Foot's past Luther Porter's	16 0 0
For the road from Charles Finche's, by William North's, and for the road from Stephen Porter's and Abraham Masters's, by John Woodworth's, Noah and Samuel Rockwell, to the Road leading to Aylesford Church	8 0 0
For the road from Benjamin Fox's to Wilmot Osborn's, and for the road from Abraham Master's to Wm. Bowles's	5 0 0
For the road from Black Rock to the road past Sifas Rand's and John Worth's, to the Annapolis Road	12 10 0
For the road from Baxter's Harbour, by Davison's, to the foot of the Hill near Harris's	7 10 0
For the road past Lyons's farm, for the road up the Mountain by Stephen West's, and for the road past Charles Wood and Timothy Thorp's to the road leading to Baxter's Harbour	10 0 0
For the road from Stephen Eaton's farm, on the Mountain, to B. Sandford's new house	7 10 0
For the road from Daniel Huntley's to the Bason, or White Waters	12 10 0
For the road leading over the Dike by Benjamin Weaver's to the Settlement at Bass Creek, and Westerly to the road leading to Pero	7 10 0
For the road from Scotch Bay to Cornwallis	10 0 0
For the two roads from Jonathan Loomer's to the Bay	12 0 0
For the Morden Road leading to the Bay in Aylesford	10 0 0
For the road leading to Aylesford Church to the West Bounds of Cornwallis, and for the Road on the Mountain, leading easterly from the Morden Road to Cornwallis	10 0 0
For the road leading westerly from the Morden Road, under the Mountain near Thomas Tupper's	10 0 0
For the Clermont Road to the Bay of Fundy	7 10 0
For the Ormsby Road, northerly, near the line of William Parker's line	7 10 0
For the road leading southerly near Samuel Parker's to the new Canaan Road	7 10 0
For the road near Crane's Tavern, leading from the Annapolis Road, over Annapolis River, to the new Canaan Road	10 0 0
For assisting in opening and improving the roads from the New Canaan Road, to the North-West Settlement in the Township of Lunenburg and Lahave	10 0 0
For the Drusdell's Road, leading from the Annapolis Road to the New Canaan Road	7 10 0
For the road by Mount Denson from Falmouth line to the Lower Bridge	35 0 0
For the road from the said Bridge to wharf the Bank of the River, to prevent the tide from cutting away the road	20 0 0
For the road from Benjamin's Mill to the Post Road	12 0 0
For the road up the South Mountain, by Rogers's	11 0 0
For the road by Nathan Davison's to John Allen's, also on said road to Daniel Bishop's	10 0 0
For the road by Pittsburg to the Nictaur Road	10 0 0
For the road from Canaan, Southwest, and on the Sherbrooke Road	10 0 0
For the road south of Canaan, to make a Bridge near Samuel Reed's	10 0 0
For the road on Beach Hill	15 0 0
For the road by Enoch Forsyth's	20 0 0
For the road and bridges near S. Fitch's	30 0 0
For the road from Patridge Island to the boundary line of Cumberland	20 0 0
For the road from the Cumberland Road to Ratchford River	12 10 0
For the road from Ratchford's River to Robert Spicer's	15 0 0
For the road and bridge's over Advocate River	12 10 0
For the road from George Butler's to Cranberry Lake	10 0 0
For the road from Jeffers's to Macan	10 0 0
For the road from the Church at Parrsborough to the Five Islands	12 10 0
For the road from Five Islands to Macan	20 0 0
For the road from George Newcomb's to New Prospect	11 10 0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £620, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Annapolis, be applied as follows, viz :

For the road from Dalhousie Settlement towards Lahave	L.20 0 0
For the road from Nictaur towards Liverpool	20 0 0
For the Bridge over the Annapolis River, called Gate's Bridge	20 0 0
For the road in Wilmot, under the mountain, from James Parker's Farm to the General Ruggles Road	20 0 0
For the road from the Stronach road, and westerly towards the Phiney Settlement	10 0 0
For the road to the Dalhousie Settlement, by Morse's farm	10 0 0
For the road from the Dalhousie road to and through the Prout Settlement	15 0 0
For the New Road from Annapolis Royal towards Liverpool, by the way of the Harmony Settlement, in addition to the sum of £50 included for the great Roads	50 0 0
For the road from the General's Bridge towards Digby, by the way of the Hessian Line	25 0 0
For the cross road in Clements from the main road to the Hessian Line, by Isaac Ditmars's	10 0 0
For to aid the Inhabitants of Granville to finish opening the road near the top of the North Mountain from the Wilmot line, westward, to the cross road to Chute's Cove	12 10 0
For the road near the Bay Shore from the Wilmot line Westward to the Chute's Cove	12 10 0
For the road from the Main Road in Granville to Chute's Cove	20 0 0
To aid the Inhabitants of Granville to finish opening the road on the North side of the Mountain from Chute's Cove road to the Rickerson's Road	12 10 0
For the road from the Main Road in Granville to the Bay Shore, by Phiney's farm	12 10 0
For the road on the North side of the Mountain from the Phiney's to the Cross Road by Lovert's, including said Cross Road	15 0 0

For the Road on the North side of the Mountain, from Parker's Cross Road, to the M'Kenzie's Cross Road	L.10	0	6
From the M'Kenzie's Cross Road to the North side of the Mountain, Westward to the Duke of York's Battery	15	0	0
For opening and improving the road from the Main Road to Berry's Settlement	20	0	0
For opening and improving the road from Leache's on towards Shelburne	10	0	0
For opening the road from the North Range to the road leading to the South Range, and continuing the same	10	0	0
For opening and improving the Road No. 17, North Range, including the long Causeway, and the Road leading to St. Mary's Bay, No. 33.	40	0	0
For opening and improving the Cross Road from the Main Road through Marshal Town to the road down the Neck	10	0	0
For improving the road from the South side of Turner's Bridge to Broad Cove, including the road to the Light-House	20	0	0
For the improving the road from Broad Cove through the Scotch Settlement, including the road over the mountain by Post's to Gulliver's Hole	15	0	0
For the road from J. Henderson's farm down the Neck to Little River	20	0	0
For the road from Little River to the Petite Passage	10	0	0
For the road from Scissiboo Lower Falls, towards Tuskett River	50	0	0
For the road in New Settlement, rear of Journey's and Payson's farm, including the Cross Road leading out between James G. Payson's farm, and Nathaniel Payson's	20	0	0
For the road leading from Scissiboo Lower Falls to the Upper Falls, on the South side, along the River	15	0	0
For the road between first and second division of Land in Clare, and all the Cross Roads leading to the same	55	0	0
For the Long Swamp, so called, between French Town and New Edinburgh, and to assist in completing a Pass-way from low water mark to the Beach where the Ferry Boat lands, on the South side of Scissiboo River	15	0	0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £620, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Shelburne, shall be applied as follows :

For the road from Sable River to Queen's County	L.20	0	0
For the road from M'Donald's, at Port Le Bear, to Sable River on the Shore Road	15	0	0
For the road from Lous's Head to Green Harbour	20	0	0
For the road from Green Harbour to Jordan River Bridge	17	10	0
For the road from Shelburne to Jordan River	12	10	0
For the road from Shelburne to Warrington's, including Roseway Bridge	35	0	0
For the road from Warrington's to Beaver Dam	35	0	0
For the road from Beaver Dam to Clyde River	20	0	0
For the road from Shelburne to the Welch Settlement	15	0	0
For the road from the Shelburne Road to A. Smith's	15	0	0
For the road from A. Smith's to Parry's, Cape Negro	12	10	0
For the road from Clyde River to Barrington	53	10	0
For the road from Barrington to Still Water	21	0	0
For the road from John Coffin's to Port Latour	20	0	0
For the road from Tuskett Village to the Chapel	32	0	0
For the road from Nathan Goodwin's to John Spinney's	31	0	0
For the road from Amable Bann's to the Forks	15	0	0
For the road from Andrew Frost's to the Post Road near Joshua Porter's	30	0	0
For the road from Gaval's Falls to the New Settlement at Kemptville	30	0	0
To complete the Bridge at Gaval's Falls	15	0	0
For the repair of the road at Jegoggin Dyke	10	0	0
For the road from Jegoggin River to Churchill's Mill	20	0	0
For the road from Samuel Hitten's to the north line	35	0	0
For the road from Pitman's to Salmon River, including the repair of the Bridge	30	0	0
For the road from Vickers's to Willet's	20	0	0
For the road from Seth Johnson's to John Kenney's	20	0	0
To build a Bridge over Tuskett River at Raynard's	20	0	0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £545, appropriated for the Service of Roads and Bridges in Queen's County, be applied as follows, viz ,

For the road from Liverpool to Brookfield	L.75	0	0
For the road from Job Harrington's towards Nictaur	25	0	0
For the road from Brookfield to Caledonia	30	0	0
For the road from Caledonia to Harmony	25	0	0
For the road from Harmony to Kempt	15	0	0
For the road from Brookfield to Westfield	20	0	0
For the road from James Morton's to Wellington	25	0	0
For the road from Nictaur Road to Kempton's Meadow	15	0	0
For the road from the Falls to Brown's Mill	20	0	0
For the road from Herring Cove to Eagle Head	50	0	0
For the road from the Beech Meadow Road to Port Medway	50	0	0
For the road from Job Huskins's to Western-head	75	0	0
For the road from M'Clannan's farm to White Point	25	0	0
For the road from Arwood Dean's to Ragged Harbour	10	0	0
For the road from the Bridge at Port Mulloon to William Fraser's, near South-West	15	0	0

For

For the road from Hunt's Point to Little Beach Hill	L 20 0 0
For the road from Pleasant Hill to Salmon Island Bridge	15 0 0
For the road from Ballast Cove to Paul West's	15 0 0
For the road from Mill's Village to the head of South-West Cove at Port Medway	20 0 0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £545, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Lunenburg, shall be applied as follows, viz.

On the road from Mush-a-Mush to Borgone's Mill	L 20 0 0
On the road from Mider's 300 Acre Lot to Andrew Rafuse's	30 0 0
On the road from Frederick Vienot's to Lahave	15 0 0
On the road from Thomas Zwicker's to Peter Vienot's 300 Acre lot	25 0 0
On the road from Eisenhausen's N. W. to Blystner's 300 Acre Lot	15 0 0
On the road from James Vienot's N. W. to the town of Lunenburg	40 0 0
On the road from Leonard Jung's to John Wintzell's	15 0 0
On the road from John Wintzell's to Rudolf's, Lahave	20 0 0
On the road from Mullock's to Leonard Silber's	25 0 0
On the road from Henry Koch's towards Dalhousie Settlement	25 0 0
On the road from the head of Crook's Cove to Andrew Wintzell's	10 0 0
On the road from Lahave to Pleasant River	30 0 0
On the road from Jacob Randal's to Frederick Hen's	10 0 0
On the road from Lahave River to Conquerall Settlement	20 0 0
On the road from Conquerall Settlement to Kraft's and Snyder's	25 0 0
On the road from Penzille's to Sarty's	10 0 0
On the road from Korse's Mills to Italy Settlement	25 0 0
To repair a Bridge between the first Peninsula and the Town of Lunenburg	15 0 0
On the road from Meder's Cove to the Town of Lunenburg	20 0 0
On the road from the Block House, N. W. to the head of Mahone Bay	10 0 0
On the road from Chester to Windsor	50 0 0
On the road from Crandall's to Sherbrooke	40 0 0
On the road from Deep Cove to the Halifax Road	15 0 0
On the road from Windsor Road to Middle River	15 0 0
On the road from Rose Bank Bridge, east side of Lake Lawson toward Wells's	20 0 0

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

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

*Tuesday, 10th February, 1824.*

#### PRAYERS.

On reading the proceedings of yesterday, Mr. W. H. Roach moved, that the Resolution passed in the Committee of the whole House on the General State of the Province, be rescinded, which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Sixteen : against it, Eighteen : so it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Ritchie reported from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill on the subject of the Fisheries, and accordingly presented

A Bill for Encouraging the Fisheries of the Province, and the same was read a first time.

On motion, *resolved*, that the Bill be now read a second time, and the same was read a second time accordingly.

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

Mr. Fairbanks moved, that the House do come to the Resolutions following, viz:

Whereas it has been represented that the opening a navigable Water Communication between the Harbour of Halifax and the Basin of Minas, by the River Shubenaccadie and the Lakes connected therewith, will be a measure of great public utility, and is considered practicable, at a moderate expense, as appears from the partial Survey and Estimate heretofore made thereof : Therefore

*Resolved*, That this House, desirous of promoting an object, esteemed of such importance, will extend the aid and sanction of the Legislature to any Company, or Private Association, which may be formed for completing such Water Communication, but will not, in any manner, pledge the Province, or engage the Funds thereof, for the execution of such undertaking.

*Resolved*, That, for promoting this Enterprise, this House will, in addition to the sum of Two Hundred

Hundred Pounds, already granted, provide a further sum, not exceeding Three Hundred Pounds, to be expended, with the former Grant, under the direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for procuring an accurate and complete Survey and Examination, to be made of the proper line and direction for such Canal, and of the heights of the Land, distances, soils and obstructions, in its intended course, as also an Estimate of the probable cost and expense necessary for its completion.

*Resolved*, That this House will agree to the passing an Act to authorise the Incorporation of any Company or Association which shall be formed for making such Navigable Canal or Water Communication as aforesaid; and to confer on such Company, all such rights, privileges, powers, and authorities, as have been usually granted to similar Associations, or which shall be required for the execution of their enterprise; which being seconded, thereupon,

Mr. Ritchie moved an amendment to the foregoing Resolutions, as follows, viz:

Leave out the whole of the Preamble, and also all the remaining words from the word "Resolution," which follows the said Preamble, and insert in place thereof the following words, viz:

That it be referred to the Committee of Supply to appropriate a sum of Money, not exceeding Three Hundred Pounds, in addition to the Two Hundred Pounds already granted, to complete the Survey and Examination of the proposed Canal, between the Harbour of Halifax and the Basin of Minas; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, Seventeen; against it, Sixteen; so it passed in the affirmative.

The Resolutions moved by Mr. Fairbanks, were then put, and negatived by the House.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill;

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the Bill relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Fairbanks, Mr. Albro, and Mr. Smith, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference,

And being returned,

Mr. Fairbanks 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 Private Petitions.

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 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 same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow:

The Petition of Edward Morgan; the Petition of Thomas Dickson; the Petition of William Lutwidge, and the Petition of John Gauld, and others, were severally read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the said Petitions should severally be referred to a Select Committee, to be appointed by the House, for the purpose of examining into the merits of the same respectively, and reporting thereon.

The Petition of the Trustees of the Pictou Academy; the Petition of Walter Bromley, and the Petition of the Magistrates of the Town of Halifax, were severally read, and thereupon,

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

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The Petition of the Grand Jury of the County of Halifax, was read, and thereupon, *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee that the said Petition should be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The said Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and, thereupon, Mr. Roach moved, that the Resolution of the Committee which relates to the Petition of the Grand Jury of the County of Halifax, be not received; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Thirteen; against it, Thirteen:

For the Motion :

Mr. Wells,  
Mr. James,  
Mr. T. Roach,  
Mr. Lawson,  
Mr. Flemming,  
Mr. Poole,  
Mr. O'Brien,

Mr. Campbell,  
Mr. Bishop,  
Mr. Ritchie,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. Young,  
Mr. Fraser,

Against the Motion :

Mr. Albro,  
Mr. W. Dickson,  
Mr. Fairbanks,  
Mr. Archibald,  
Mr. T. Dickson,  
Mr. Blair,  
Mr. Smith,

Mr. Wier,  
Mr. Church,  
Mr. Haliburton,  
Mr. Heckman,  
Mr. Dewolf,  
Mr. Morse,

So Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote for the motion.

The several other Resolutions were then, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Edward Morgan; the Petition of Thomas Dickson; and the Petition of William Lutwidge, be severally referred to Mr. Fairbanks, Mr. Young and Mr. Albro, agreeably to the Resolution passed in the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of John Gauld, and others, be referred to Mr. Haliburton, Mr. T. Roach, and Mr. W. Dickson, agreeably to the Resolution passed in the Committee of the whole House.

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, *Resolved*, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of Ways and Means.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee on the expiring Laws, and accordingly presented  
A Bill to continue an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to enable the Proprietors of Wilderness Lands in the Township of Truro, to open Roads through the same; also,

A Bill to continue an Act respecting Aliens coming into the Province, and residing therein; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for the accommodation and billeting of His Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts heretofore made relating to Trespasses; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax; also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts respecting the Liverpool Light-House; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for the support of a Light-House, erected on Cranberry Island; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for Establishing a Bridewell or House of Correction for the County of Halifax; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for regulating the Prices of Carriages; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for the greater security of the Province by a better regulation of the Militia; also,

A Bill to continue an Act more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise; also,

A Bill to continue several Acts for repairing, cleansing and paving the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax; and also,

A Bill to continue an Act in addition to and in amendment of several Acts, now in force, for repairing and mending Highways; and the said Bills were severally read a first time. A

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

Mr. Albro, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill relating to Poor and County Rates, 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 Twelve of the Clock.

*Wednesday, 11th February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill relating to Poor and County Rates ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to enable Proprietors of Wilderness Land in the Township of Truro to open Roads through the same ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act respecting Aliens, coming into the Province, and residing therein ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for the accommodation and billeting of His Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for consolidating and reducing into one Act all the Acts heretofore made relating to Trespasses ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax ; also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts respecting the Liverpool Light-House ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for the support of a Light-House, erected on Cranberry Island ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for the better preservation of the property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for establishing a Bridewell or House of Correction for the County of Halifax ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for regulating the prices of Carriages ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to provide for the greater security of the Province by a better regulation of the Militia ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise ; also,

A Bill to continue several Acts for repairing, cleansing and paving the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax and also,

A Bill to continue an Act in addition to, and in amendment of, several Acts, now in force, for repairing and mending Highways ; were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to encourage the raising of Bread Corn, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Albro, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places ; and the same was read a first time.

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

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Petition of John Merkle, and others, and the same was read, praying that Jacob Shaffroth may not be confirmed in his Title to the Land, on the Peninsula of Halifax, as prayed for by him, in his Petition, now before the House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee to whom the Petition of Jacob Shaffroth was referred to report thereon.

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On motion, the Order of the Day was read; and thereupon,  
The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of Ways and Means.

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 several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow:

*Resolved*, That it is opinion of this Committee that the Duties payable on Wine, Rum, Brandy, Gin, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar, imported into the Province, should remain as the last year.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee that all the Duties on Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into the Province, should remain the same as imposed the last year, except on Copper used in Ship Building, and on Iron Cables.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee that the Duties on Articles imported from the United States of America, should remain the same as last year.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again, on the business to them referred, which report 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, and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Archibald, and Mr. Lawson, do prepare and bring in Bills for carrying into effect the foregoing Resolutions passed in the Committee of Ways and Means.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the Resolution for granting the sum of £5700, for the service of the Great Roads.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. T. Roach, Mr. Smith, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Archibald and Mr. Haliburton, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference,

And being returned,

Mr. T. Roach 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 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 Bill for the preservation of Trout; the Bill to continue an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions; the Bill to continue an Act to provide for the accommodation and billeting of His Majesty's Troops or of the Militia; the Bill to continue the several Acts respecting the Liverpool Light-House; the Bill to continue an Act for the support of a Light House erected on Cranberry Island; the Bill to continue an Act for the better preservation of the property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night; the Bill to continue an Act more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise, and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills severally to the House, without any amendment.

That

That the Committee had deferred the consideration of the Bill to continue an Act to enable Proprietors of Wilderness Lands in the Township of Truro, to open Roads through the same, to this day three months, 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 reported without any amendment be engrossed.

Mr. Speaker delivered to the House an Account of John Howe and Son, for printing Acts of the General Assembly, for transmission to England, amounting to £25. 2 6; transmitted to Mr. Speaker, this day, by the Deputy-Secretary of the Province, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

*Ordered*, That the said Account be referred to Mr. T. Roach, Mr. W. H. Roach and Mr. W. A. Chipman, who are to examine into the same, and report thereon.

Mr. Lawson reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of William Corbet 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,

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

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

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*Thursday, 12th February, 1824.*

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PRAYERS.

A Bill to encourage the raising of Bread Corn; and also,

A Bill relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places, were severally read a second time,

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

An engrossed Bill for the preservation of Trout was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for the preservation of Trout.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for the support of a Light-House erected on Cranberry Island, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the several Acts relating to the Light-House erected on Cranberry Island, near the entrance of the Gut of Canso.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act to provide for the accommodation and billeting of His Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act, 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; and also the Acts in amendment thereof.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act, entitled, An Act more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise, and to prevent Frauds in the Collection of the Provincial Revenue.

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts respecting the Liverpool Light House, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the several Acts respecting the Liverpool Light House.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act for the better preservation of the property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing a sufficient Watch at Night.

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

Mr. Fairbanks, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the Registry of Judgments and Attachments, and the same was read a first time.

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

On motion, *resolved*, that a further Conference be desired with the Council on the subject matter of the Conference held yesterday, and that the Clerk do request the same.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council do agree to a further Conference as desired by the House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

Mr. T. Roach 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. Hill :

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 do 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 they went to the Conference,

And being returned,

Mr. T. Roach reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of Richard Scott and Thomas Bulgin was referred, and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read.

Mr. Fairbanks reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of Thomas Lutwidge, and the Petition of Thomas Dickson, was referred, and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read.

On motion, *resolved*, That the said Reports and Petitions be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Fairbanks reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of Edward Morgan, and the Petition of Hugh Frazer and John M'Pherson 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 do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

On motion, *resolved*, that a further Conference be desired with the Council on the subject matter of the last Conference, and that the Clerk do request the same.

The Clerk reported that the Council had agreed to a further Conference as desired by the House.

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

And they went to the Conference,

And being returned,

Mr. T. Roach 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. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to Twelve Resolutions of this House for specifically applying the sum of £12,000 for the service of Roads and Bridges throughout the Province, for the present year.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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. James took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places ; and also, the Bill for consolidating and reducing into one Act the Acts heretofore passed, relative to Highways, Roads and Bridges ; and that the Committee had made several amendments to the said Bills 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 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 which stood committed, which report the House agreed to.

The amendments to the Bills, as reported by 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 with the amendments be engrossed.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider further of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 two resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee that a sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for the purpose of procuring Surveys of the Noel and Sherbrooke Roads ; and also, a sum not exceeding One Hundred Pounds to repair the Avon River Bridge, in case the same shall be deemed necessary.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee that a sum not exceeding Five Hundred Pounds should be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be applied in altering and making a Road from Fultz's to Springfield through the low ground, so as to avoid the Hills in the present Road.

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 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 Resolutions to the Council and desire their concurrence.

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

*Friday, 13th February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill for consolidating and reducing into one Act, the Acts heretofore passed relative to Highways, Roads and Bridges, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges.

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

A Bill for the Registry of Judgments and Attachments was read a second time, and thereupon, Mr. Smith moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed to this day three months; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Sixteen; against it, Twelve:

For the Motion :

<i>Mr. Wells,</i>	<i>Mr. Haliburton,</i>
<i>Mr. W. A. Chipman,</i>	<i>Mr. Poole,</i>
<i>Mr. Smith,</i>	<i>Mr. T. Roach,</i>
<i>Mr. Bishop,</i>	<i>Mr. Campbell,</i>
<i>Mr. Heckman,</i>	<i>Mr. Wier,</i>
<i>Mr. James,</i>	<i>Mr. Dennison,</i>
<i>Mr. Church,</i>	<i>Mr. Dewolf,</i>
<i>Mr. Young,</i>	<i>Mr. R. Dickson,</i>

Against the Motion :

<i>Mr. Blair,</i>	<i>Mr. Morse,</i>
<i>Mr. T. Dickson,</i>	<i>Mr. Uniacke,</i>
<i>Mr. Albro,</i>	<i>Mr. J. I. Chipman,</i>
<i>Mr. Fairbanks,</i>	<i>Mr. Ritchie,</i>
<i>Mr. Archibald,</i>	
<i>Mr. W. Dickson,</i>	
<i>Mr. Lawson,</i>	
<i>Mr. Fraser,</i>	

So it passed in the affirmative.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act passed in the fifty-first year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of Law and Equity in this Province, to which Bill they desire the concurrence of the House.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to punish Persons guilty of maliciously killing or maiming Cattle, without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for the preservation of Trout, with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The said Bill from the Council was read a first time.

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

The House proceeded to the consideration of 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 agree to the said amendments, and that Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith,

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 Bill in addition to an Act, entitled, An Act for founding, establishing and maintaining, an Academy at Pictou, in this Province; and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bill to the House, without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

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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 which stood committed, which report the House agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

A Petition of James Fullerton, and others, Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Fairbanks, and read, praying that an alteration may be made in the Act, entitled, An Act for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, and preventing the erection of Wooden Buildings beyond a certain height within the same.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts respecting the Liverpool Light-House; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise, and to prevent Frauds in the Collection of the Provincial Revenue.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing a sufficient Watch at Night.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act, 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; and also, the Acts in amendment thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts relating to the Light-House, erected on Cranberry Island, near the entrance of the Gut of Canso, severally, without any amendment.

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

£500 for altering the Road from Fultz's to Springfield.

£150 for Surveys of the Noel and Sherbrooke Roads, and to repair Avon Bridge.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

An engrossed Bill relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other Places, was read a third time, and thereupon,

Mr. Albro moved, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Eleven; against it, Twelve. So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other Places.

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

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Welis 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.

Mr. T. Roach reported from the Committee to whom the Account of John Howe and Son was referred

referred, and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read.

*Resolved*, That the said Report and Account be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Smith reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of the Halifax Sugar Refinery Company was referred, and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read.

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

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

*Saturday, 14th February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, 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 second time,

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

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments, made by the Council to the Bill to continue an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the same were read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to the said amendments, and that the Clerk do carry the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Haliburton reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of John Gauld, and others, was referred, and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read.

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

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply, which Report the House agreed to.

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

*Monday, 16th February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider further of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply: which Report the House agreed to.

An engrossed Bill in addition to an Act, entitled, An Act for founding, establishing and maintaining, an Academy at Pictou, in this Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act in addition to an Act, made and passed in the fifty-sixth year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for founding, establishing and maintaining, an Academy at Pictou, in this Province.

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

Pursuant to leave given, a Petition of Hugh M'Donald, and others, Freeholders of the Township of St. Mary's, in the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. T. Dickson, and read, praying aid to establish a Post Communication between Sherbrooke Village, in said Township, and Antigonish; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Haliburton, Mr. T. Roach and Mr. W. Dickson, who are to examine into the merits of the same, and report thereon.

Mr. Fairbanks, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for restraining Illegal Importations into this Province, 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 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 deferred the consideration of the Bill for regulating the Medical Profession in the Province of Nova Scotia, to this day three months; and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed: which Report the House agreed to.

On motion, the amendments made by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to restrain the Issuing Writs of Attachment, were read throughout a second time, and the House having considered the same; thereupon,

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to all the said amendments, with the exception of the last amendment, and that the Clerk do take the Bill back to the Council and acquaint them therewith.

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

*Tuesday, 17th February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill for restraining Illegal Importations into this Province, was read a second time; and thereupon,

Mr. W. H. Roach moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to this day three months; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Nineteen; against it, Seven:

For the Motion:

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. W. H. Roach
Mr. James,	Mr. Poole,
Mr. Morse,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Wells,	Mr. Wier,
Mr. T. Roach,	Mr. Dennison,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. Ruggles,
Mr. Dewolf,	Mr. Blair,
Mr. Church,	Mr. Fraser,
Mr. Ritchie,	Mr. Heckman,
Mr. Haliburton,	

Against the Motion:

Mr. Albro,
Mr. W. Dickson,
Mr. Fairbanks,
Mr. Flemming,
Mr. T. Dickson,
Mr. R. Dickson,
Mr. J. I. Chipman,

So it passed in the affirmative.

Mr.

Mr. Archibald moved, that the House do come to the following Resolution, viz,

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to enquire into the Judicature of this Province, pursuant to the Resolution of this House, passed on the 9th inst. and that the Committee be authorised to confer with a Committee of His Majesty's Council on the subject, previous to making their Report to the House : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, Seventeen ; against it, Thirteen. So it passed in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Blair, Mr. Fairbanks and Mr. T. Roach, be a Committee for the above purpose.

On motion, *ordered*, That the Petition of Alexander M'Nabb, and others, and the Petition of Charles Baker, be referred to the Committee of the whole House on the consideration of Bills.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend an Act, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act for the preservation of Trout, severally without any amendment,

The Council do not adhere to the last amendment made by them to the Bill, entitled, An Act to restrain the Issuing Writs of Attachment in certain cases.

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the Bill relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax ; and also, on the Bill relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. W. A. Chipman and Mr. Frazer, do manage 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, of Mr. Smith, *resolved*, That no Bill be received by the House after Thursday, the 19th instant.

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 from the Council, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Attorneys, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of Law and Equity in this Province ; and had made an amendment thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House. That the Committee had also gone through the Bill to alter the place of holding the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland, and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bill to the House without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bill 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 which stood committed, which the House agreed to ; and thereupon,

Mr. Smith moved, that the Report of the Committee, so far as it relates to the Bill to alter the place of holding the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland, be not agreed to ; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Fourteen ; against it, Sixteen :

## For the motion :

Mr. James,	Mr. R. Dickson,
Mr. I. Dickson,	Mr. Smith,
Mr. Flemming,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. T. Roach,	Mr. Heckman,
Mr. Archibald,	Mr. Fairbanks,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Wier,
Mr. Church,	Mr. W. H. Roach,

## Against the motion :

Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. Haliburton,
Mr. Blair,	Mr. Ruggles,
Mr. Dewolf,	Mr. Wells,
Mr. Morse,	Mr. Ritchie,
Mr. J. I. Chipman,	Mr. Fraser,
Mr. Uniacke,	Mr. Dennison,
Mr. W. Dickson,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Yeung,	Mr. McKinnon,

So it passed in the negative.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, reported without amendment, be engrossed.

The amendment to the engrossed Bill, from the Council was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the amendment be engrossed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, that a Conference be desired with His Majesty's Council, by Committee, on the General State of the Province, and that the Clerk do request the same.

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

Wednesday, 18th February, 1824.

## PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to alter the place of holding the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Mr. T. Roach moved, that the Bill do not pass: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Sixteen; against it, Sixteen :

## For the Motion,

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Church,
Mr. Bishop,	Mr. Lawson,
Mr. T. Roach,	Mr. James,
Mr. Wells,	Mr. Wier,
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Heckman,
Mr. T. Dickson,	Mr. Flemming,
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. R. Dickson,
Mr. W. H. Roach,	Mr. Archibald,

## Against the Motion.

Mr. W. Dickson,	Mr. Albro,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. Ruggles,
Mr. Dennison,	Mr. Ritchie,
Mr. Poole,	Mr. McKinnon,
Mr. Blair,	Mr. Dewolf,
Mr. Morse,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Haliburton,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Uniacke,	Mr. Eraser,

So Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote against the motion.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to alter the place of holding the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland.

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

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of Law and Equity in this Province; and also the engrossed amendment, were read a third time; and thereupon,

Mr. W. H. Roach moved, that the House do not agree to the said Bill: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, fourteen. So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with an amendment, to which amendment they desire the concurrence of His Majesty's Council.

Mr. Church, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate the conduct of Attornies and Solicitors, and for the correction of certain abuses; and the same was read a first time.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council agree to the Conference on the General State of the Province, by Committee, as requested by this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Committee appointed yesterday on the subject of the Judicature of the Province, do manage the said Conference, and that they do attend accordingly.

And they went to the Conference,

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 Bill to encourage the raising of Bread Corn, and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bill to the House without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered it 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 which stood committed.

Mr. Fairbanks moved, that the Report be not received by the House; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Twelve; against it, Sixteen. So it passed in the negative.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

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

*Thursday, 19th February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to encourage the raising of Bread Corn, 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.

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

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the fourth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to regulate the Inferior Court and Sessions in the County of Cape-Breton, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Wells, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill relating to Marriages, and the Issuing of Marriage Licenses, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Fairbanks, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to authorize the Incorporation of a Company for making a Canal by the River and Lakes of the Shubenaccadie, 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 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 deferred the consideration of the Bill relating to Proceedings in Courts of Law, and also the Bill in addition to the Acts relating to Poor and County Rates, to the next Session. That the Committee had gone through the Bill to repeal the

the several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent forestalling, regrating and monopolizing; also the Bill in addition to, and amendment of an Act, for regulating of Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly; also the Bill to regulate and increase the number of times for holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Sydney; and also the Bill for encouraging the Fisheries of the Province; 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 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 which stood committed, which the House agreed to.

The amendments to the Bills, respectively, as reported by the Committee, were read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

Mr. Fairbanks moved, that the Bill for encouraging the Fisheries of the Province, be recommit-  
ted to a Committee of the whole House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing  
thereon, there appeared for the motion, Six; against it, Twenty:

For the motion:

Mr. Albro,  
Mr. Church,  
Mr. Archibald,  
Mr. Smith,  
Mr. W. Dickson,  
Mr. Fairbanks,

Mr. Robertson,  
Mr. Welis,  
Mr. Blair,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. T. Roach,  
Mr. Poole,  
Mr. W. H. Roach,

Against the motion:

Mr. Ruggles,  
Mr. Unwinke,  
Mr. Beckman,  
Mr. James,  
Mr. Lawson,  
Mr. Ritchie,  
Mr. Wier,

Mr. Haliberton,  
Mr. T. Dickson,  
Mr. J. I. Chapman,  
Mr. Young,  
Mr. Bruce,  
Mr. Fraser,

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Fairbanks then moved that the last clause in the Bill to repeal the several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, for limiting the duration of the same, be not agreed to: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, fourteen. So it passed in the negative.

The amendments to the Bills were then severally put, and agreed to by the House.

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

Mr. Fairbanks moved for leave to bring in a Bill to encourage the curing of Fish of a Merchantable Quality: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, fourteen. So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Fairbanks then moved for leave to bring in a Bill to encourage the importation of Salt: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, ten. So it passed in the affirmative; and thereupon,

Mr. Fairbanks presented a Bill to encourage the importation and cheap supply of Salt, for the Fisheries of this Province; and the same was read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of His Majesty's Council, for the purpose of ascertaining what have been their proceedings on the Bill relating to the Picton Academy. sent up for concurrence, and that they do report the same to the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Smith, Mr. Archibald and Mr. Lawson, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Mr. Ritchie reported from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in Bills on the subject of the Revenue of the Province, and accordingly presented

A Bill to continue an Act for granting a Drawback on Brown or Raw Sugar, used in the manufacture of Refined Sugar within the Province; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for imposing a Duty on Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported from the United States of America, and for appropriating the same; also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for the further increase of the Revenue,

...nue, by raising a Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province; also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for raising an additional Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise; and also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government; and the same were severally read a first time.

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

Mr. Archibald reported that the Committee of this House, had, pursuant to the Resolution of the House, held a Conference with the Committee of the Council, on the subject of the General State of the Province, and that the Committee of the House and the Committee of the Council had, on the said Conference, agreed to a joint report on the subject of the Judicature of the Province; which Report he read in his place, and afterwards delivered the same in at the Clerk's table, where it was read, and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the 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.

*Friday, 20th February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill relating to Marriages, and the issuing of Marriage Licenses; also,

A Bill to encourage the importation and cheap supply of Salt for the Fisheries of this Province; also,

A Bill in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the fourth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to regulate the Inferior Court and Sessions of the Peace in the County of Cape-Breton; and also,

A Bill to authorise the Incorporation of a Company for making a Canal by the River and Lakes of Shubenaccadie, were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee, appointed to search the Journals of the Council, on the subject of the Pictou Academy Bill, that the Committee had complied with the Order of the House, and found that His Majesty's Council had deferred the consideration of that Bill for three months.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 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 sum of Four Hundred Pounds should be granted to the Trustees of the Pictou Academy, towards the support of that Establishment.

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*

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

Mr. Haliburton reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of Hugh M'Donald, and others, 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,

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

A Bill to continue an Act for granting a Draw back on Brown or Raw Sugar, used in the manufacture of Refined Sugar, within the Province; also,

A Bill to continue an Act imposing a Duty on Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported from the United States of America, and for appropriating the same; also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province; also

A Bill to continue 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,

A Bill to continue an Act for raising an additional Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, and also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar, for the Support of His Majesty's Government, were severally read a second time.

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

An engrossed Bill to repeal several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to repeal several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent forestalling, regrating and monopolizing.

An engrossed Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly, 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, made and passed in the fifty-seventh year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the Resolution for granting £400 for the Pitou Academy.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Smith, Mr. Archibald, and Mr. Lawton, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

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

Mr. Haliburton reported from the Committee of Privileges, to whom the Petition of John Whitman and others, and the Letter from J. G. Marshall, Esq. one of the Representatives for the County of Sydney, 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 the Committee had attentively considered the subjects to them referred, and searched the Journals of the House for Precedents.

That

That the Committee are of opinion, that the Office accepted by Mr. Marshall, is an appointment highly important to the due Administration of Justice, and one which necessarily precludes him from attending this House, and, as connected with his removal to the County of Cape-Breton, ought to disqualify him from holding a seat in this Assembly.

That the Committee have also found in the case of Mr. Tupper, whose seat was, in the year 1764, declared vacant by a Resolution of this House, upon his application to resign it on account of ill health, a precedent for accepting Mr. Marshall's resignation, and for establishing a course of proceeding in this Assembly, in some degree at variance with the practice of the British House of Commons: the Committee therefore beg leave to recommend, that the seat of John G. Marshall, Esq. as one of the Members for Sydney, be declared vacant, and that Mr. Speaker do make application forthwith to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for a new Writ for the Election of one Member to represent that County in this General Assembly.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this House, for granting the sum of £400 to the Pictou Academy.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

An engrossed Bill for encouraging the Fisheries of the Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for encouraging the Fisheries of the Province.

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 Bill to continue the several Acts for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province; also, the Bill to continue an Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax; also, the Bill to continue an Act for regulating the prices of Carriages; also, the Bill to continue an Act respecting Aliens coming into the Province, or residing therein; also, the Bill to continue an Act for establishing a Bridewell, or House of Correction, for the County of Halifax; also, a Bill to continue an Act for repairing, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town of Halifax; also, the Bill in addition to and amendment of several Acts, now in force, for repairing and mending Highways; and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills severally to the House, without any amendment. That the Committee had also gone through the Bill to continue an Act imposing a Duty on Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported from the United States of America, and for appropriating the same; and also, the Bill to continue an Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act all the Acts heretofore made respecting Trespasses, and that they had made several amendments to the said Bills respectively, and he afterwards delivered the Bills, with the amendments, 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 which stood committed.

The amendments to the Bills 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 their respective amendments, be engrossed.

*Ordered,* That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the Bill for encouraging the Fisheries of the Province, which has been

read a third time, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Twenty-one ; against it, Eight. So it passed in the affirmative.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be re-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 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 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 several Bills which stood committed, which the House agreed to.

A motion was made that the House do come to the following Resolution, viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this House, that the Bounties on the Tonnage of Vessels, employed in the Fisheries, and on the Importation of Salt, be granted in one Bill : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-one ; against it, ten. So it passed in the affirmative.

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

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*Saturday, 21st February, 1824.*

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PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act imposing a Duty on Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported from the United States of America, and for appropriating the same, was read a third time,

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to alter and continue an Act imposing a Duty on Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported from the United States of America, and for appropriating the same.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts heretofore made, respecting Trespasses, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to alter, amend and continue, an Act, entitled, An Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts heretofore made respecting Trespasses.

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, 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 and Shops for the retail of Spirituous Liquors.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act respecting Aliens coming into this Province or residing therein, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act respecting Aliens coming into this Province, or residing therein.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for regulating the prices of Carriages, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act in addition to an Act, passed in the thirty-third year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, entitled, An Act for regulating the rates and prices of Carriages.

An engrossed Bill for establishing a Bridewell or House of Correction for the County of Halifax, was read a third time.

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act for establishing a Bridewell or House of Correction for the County of Halifax, and for providing a Police Office in said town, with proper Officers to attend the same.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act in addition to, and amendment of several Acts now in force for repairing and mending Highways, was read a third time.

*Resolved*. That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act, entitled, an Act in addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts, now in force, for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, and Bridges and Streets, and for appointing Surveyors of Highways within the several Townships in this Province.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for repairing, cleansing and paving, the Streets in the Town of Halifax, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act entitled, An Act in addition to and amendment of an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for repairing, cleansing, and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, and for removing obstructions therein, and also the Act, in amendment thereof, passed in the forty-second year of His present Majesty's reign.

An engrossed Bill to 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 alter and continue an Act to amend and continue an Act, made and passed in the the thirty-eighth year of His late 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 forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood, in the Town of Halifax; and also the Act, now in force, in addition thereto.

An engrossed Bill to regulate and increase the number of times for holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the County of Sydney, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to regulate and increase the number of times for holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, in and for the County of Sydney.

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

Mr. Archibald moved, that the Report of the joint Committee of this House and His Majesty's Council on the subject of the Judicature of this Province, be received by the House, which being seconded, thereupon,

Mr. Ritchie moved, that the question be not now put; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Seventeen; against it, Sixteen:

For the motion :

Mr. Wells,	Mr. Ritchie,
Mr. Bishop,	Mr. Dennison,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. Church,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Blair,
Mr. Albro,	Mr. Ruggles,
Mr. W. H. Roach,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Poole,	Mr. Flemming,
Mr. James,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Heckman,	

Against the motion :

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Uniacke,
Mr. Freeman,	Mr. Archibald,
Mr. Fairbanks,	Mr. Haliburton,
Mr. T. Roach,	Mr. Fraser,
Mr. Morse,	Mr. McKinnon,
Mr. W. Dickson,	Mr. Dewolf,
Mr. Smith,	Mr. R. Dickson,
Mr. J. I. Chipman	Mr. T. Dickson,

So it passed in the affirmative.

A Bill to regulate the conduct of Attornies and Solicitors, and for the correction of certain abuses, was read a second time, and thereupon,

On motion of Mr. J. I. Chipman, *Resolved*, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to the next Session.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to restrain the issuing Writs of Attachment in certain cases ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act respecting Aliens coming into this Province, or residing therein ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to repeal the several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent forestalling, regrating and monopolizing ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to alter, amend and continue an Act entitled, An Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts heretofore passed, relating to Trespasses ; also,

A 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 and Shops for the retail of Spirituous Liquors ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act in addition to an Act, passed in the thirty-third year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, entitled, An Act for regulating the rates and prices of Carriages ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act for establishing a Bridewell or House of Correction for the County of Halifax, and for providing a Police Office in said Town, with proper Officers to attend the same ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and continue an Act, entitled, An Act imposing a Duty on Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported from the United States of America, and for appropriating the same ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act, entitled, An Act in addition to and amendment of the several Acts, now in force, for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, Bridges and Streets, and for appointing Surveyors of Highways within the several Townships in this Province ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend and continue an Act, made and passed in the thirty-eighth year of His late 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 forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood in the Town of Halifax, and also the Act now in force in addition thereto ; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for repairing, cleansing, and keeping in repair, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, and for removing obstructions therein ; and also the Act in amendment thereof, passed in the forty-second year of His present Majesty's reign, severally, without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to the amendment made by this House to the Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, 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, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the consideration of the Bill for encouraging the Fisheries of the 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 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 amendments were read throughout a first and second time, and upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered;*

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

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

*Monday, 23d February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill for encouraging the Fisheries of this Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for encouraging the Fisheries of the Province.

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

On motion, the joint Report of the Committee of His Majesty's Council and a Committee of this House on the subject of the Judicature of this Province, was read, and thereupon,

*Resolved,* That the Committee of this House be directed to take back the said Report, re-consider the same, and report again.

*Resolved,* That a further Conference be desired with the Council on the General State of the Province, and that the Clerk do request the same.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Conference as desired by the House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered,* That the Managers who managed the last Conference on the General State of the Province, do manage this Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend an Act, passed in the fortieth year of His late Majesty, to amend an Act, passed in the first year of his said Majesty's Reign, for the repairing and mending Highways, Roads, Bridges and Streets, and for appointing Surveyors of Highways within the several Townships of this Province, to which Bill 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 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 Bill to continue an Act for granting a Drawback on Brown or Raw Sugar, used in the manufacture of Refined Sugar within the Province, and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bill to the House, without any amendment. That the Committee had gone through the Bill in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the fourth year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to regulate the Inferior Courts and Sessions of the Peace in the County of Cape-Breton; the Bill to continue 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, the Bill to continue an Act for raising an additional Duty of Excise, on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise; and also, the Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government; and that they had made several amendments to the said Bills respectively, and he afterwards delivered the Bills, with the amendments, 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, which stood committed.

The amendments to the Bills, as reported by the Committee, were read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

Mr. T. Roach moved, that the amendment to the Bill last reported by the Committee, be not agreed to: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Thirteen; against it, Sixteen:

For the Motion:

Mr. Wells,	Mr. Blair,
Mr. Church,	Mr. J. I. Chipman,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. Heckeran,
Mr. Uniacke,	Mr. Dennison,
Mr. Halliburton,	Mr. Freeman,
Mr. T. Roach,	
Mr. Fleming,	
Mr. McKinnon,	

Against the Motion:

Mr. Lawson,	Mr. W. Dickson,
Mr. T. Dickson,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Abzo,	Mr. Morse,
Mr. Fairbanks,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Smith,	Mr. R. Dickson,
Mr. W. H. Roach,	Mr. Dewolf,
Mr. Poole,	Mr. Fraser,
Mr. Archibald,	Mr. Ruggles,

So it passed in the negative.

The amendments to the Bills respectively were then put, and agreed to by the House.

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

Ordered, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

Mr. Archibald reported further from the Committee on the subject of the Judicature 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:

The Committee, appointed further to examine and report to the House upon the Judicature of the Province, and the improvement to be made therein, have carefully re-considered the subject referred to them; and have also, pursuant to the Resolution of this House, held a further Conference with the Committee of His Majesty's Council, upon the several matters under consideration, and your Committee, and the Committee of His Majesty's Council, do fully agree in the following Report, viz.

That, in the present state of the Province, there is great necessity for competent Persons to preside in the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas, if retained, and in the General Sessions of the Peace in the several Counties and Districts, as a great proportion of the Law Business of the Province is done in these Courts, and the Inferior Courts having an equal Jurisdiction with the Supreme Court in their several Counties and Districts, Causes of great importance do necessarily come before them for their adjudication, which it is highly improper to leave to the decision of Judges, who, from their want of legal knowledge, must be unequal to the duty imposed on them, however upright their intentions.

Your Committee, and the Committee of His Majesty's Council, therefore agree in reporting, that the Judicature of the Province in this respect requires alteration and amendment, and they beg leave to recommend that the Province of Nova-Scotia, excepting the County of Cape-Breton, and the District of Halifax Proper, be set off into Districts, and that a Professional Man, duly qualified, should preside in each District as First Justice of the Common Pleas, and Chairman of the Sessions, in each of the respective Districts, or that such modification be made of the authority of the said Courts as will procure the decision of Causes by Persons versed in the Laws of the Country.

RICHARD J. UNIACKE,  
J. STEWART,  
B. HALLIBURTON, } Committee of Council.

S. G. W. ARCHIBALD,  
W. FRASER,  
R. J. UNIACKE JUN.  
CHARLES R. FAIRBANKS,  
RICHARD BLAIR, } Committee of the House of Assembly.

Committee-Room of Council, 23d February, 1824.

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

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

Tuesday

Tuesday, 24th February, 1821.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council to amend an Act, passed in the fortieth year of His late Majesty, to amend an Act, passed in the first year of His said late Majesty's reign, for the repairing and mending Highways, Roads, Bridges and Streets, and for appointing Surveyors of Highways within the several Townships of this Province, was read a second time.

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

Mr. Lawson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in amendment of an Act to prevent the harbouring Deserters from His Majesty's Army, and the sale of Arms, Accoutrements and Clothing belonging to His Majesty, and the same was read a first time.

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

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for granting a Drawback on Brown or Raw Sugar, used in the Manufacture of Refined Sugar within the Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for granting a Drawback on Brown or Raw Sugar, used in the manufacture of Refined Sugar within the Province,

An engrossed Bill to continue 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, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to alter and continue 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.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for raising an additional Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to alter and continue the several Acts for raising an additional Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province.

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government, was read a third time, and thereupon,

Mr. Fairbanks moved, that an enacting clause, as a Rider, be added to the said Bill, in the words following, viz :

“ Provided always, nevertheless, and be it further enacted, That, instead of the Duties in and by the before mentioned Acts imposed upon Brandy, imported from the Ports and Places hereinafter mentioned, there shall be raised, levied, paid and collected, on all Foreign Brandy, hereafter to be imported into this Province, from any Foreign Port in Europe, or Africa, or from Gibraltar, Malta, or the Dependencies thereof, or from Guernsey, Jersey, Sark or Man, the sum of six pence on every Gallon of such Brandy: ” which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen ; against it, fifteen :

For the motion :

Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Smith,
Mr. Church,	Mr. Young,
Mr. R. Dickson,	Mr. J. I. Chipman
Mr. Atbro,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Fairbanks,	Mr. McKinnon,
Mr. W. Dickson,	Mr. Ritchie,
Mr. O'Brien,	

Against the motion :

Mr. W. H. Roach,	Mr. Freeman,
Mr. Poole,	Mr. Denison,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. Bishop,
Mr. Haliburton,	Mr. James,
Mr. Blair,	Mr. Dewolf,
Mr. Wier,	Mr. Heckman,
Mr. Wells,	Mr. Ruggles,
Mr. Fleming,	

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Archibald moved, that the amended Report made yesterday by the joint Committee of His Majesty's Council and the Committee of this House, on the subject of the Judicature of the Province, be

be received by the House, which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, Eighteen; against it, Fifteen:

## For the Motion:

Mr. Blair,  
Mr. R. Dickson,  
Mr. Dewolf,  
Mr. Haliburton,  
Mr. Freeman,  
Mr. J. I. Chipman,  
Mr. Fairbanks,  
Mr. W. Dickson,  
Mr. Archibald,

Mr. Uniacke,  
Mr. Morse,  
Mr. Robertson,  
Mr. Campbell,  
Mr. M'Annion,  
Mr. Wier,  
Mr. Fraser,  
Mr. Ritchie,  
Mr. T. Dickson,

## Against the Motion:

Mr. James,  
Mr. Poole,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. Wells,  
Mr. Albro,  
Mr. Lawson,  
Mr. Bishop,  
Mr. Dennison,  
Mr. W. H. Roach,

Mr. Church,  
Mr. Smith,  
Mr. Young,  
Mr. Fleming,  
Mr. Heckman,  
Mr. Ruggles.

So it passed in the affirmative.

Mr. Archibald moved that a Committee be appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with a copy of the Report of the joint Committee of the House and His Majesty's Council, on the subject of the Judicature of the Province, which, being seconded, thereupon,

Mr. W. H. Roach moved the following amendment to the foregoing motion, viz. add the following words: And that the Committee do take to His Excellency the division of the House upon receiving the said Report: which, being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

Mr. Archibald's motion was then put and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Blair, Mr. Fairbanks, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Smith, Mr. W. A. Chipman and Mr. Ritchie, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency accordingly.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the Bill for encouraging the Fisheries of the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Dewolf, Mr. Smith and Mr. Haliburton, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

Mr. Fairbanks, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill relating to Brandy imported from certain Places, 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 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 from the Council, entitled, An Act to amend an Act, passed in the 40th year of His late Majesty's Reign, for the repairing and mending Highways, Roads, &c.; and also, the Bill to continue an Act to provide for the greater security of the Province by a better regulation of the Militia; and that the Committee had made amendments to the said Bills 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 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 which stood committed, which the House agreed to.

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

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the amendment to the engrossed Bill from the Council, be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the engrossed Bill from the Council, with the amendment, be read a third time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to continue the Militia Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with a copy of the Report of the joint Committee of His Majesty's Council and this House, on the subject of the Judicature of the Province, that the Committee had, pursuant to order, waited upon, and delivered to him the same, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, he would readily give his aid to any measure which might be agreed upon by the House of Assembly and His Majesty's Council, for improving the Administration of Justice in the Province. That the plan proposed, and now submitted by the joint Committee, had, in the opinion of His Excellency, been tried with great advantage in the County of Cape-Breton. But that the House of Assembly and His Majesty's Council were best able to form an opinion as to the benefits likely to be derived from the introduction of the same system in the other parts of the Province, and that His Excellency would be happy to concur with them in any plan they might agree upon to effect the object submitted by the joint Committee.

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

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*Wednesday, 25th February, 1824.*

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PRAYERS.

A Bill relating to Brandy imported from certain places, was read a second time; and thereupon, Mr. W. H. Roach moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to this day three months: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Seven; against it, Thirteen. So it passed in the negative.

A Bill in amendment of an Act to prevent the harbouring Deserters from His Majesty's Army, and the sale of Arms, Accoutrements and Clothing, belonging to His Majesty, was read a second time.

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

An engrossed Bill from the Council to amend an Act, passed in the fortieth year of His late Majesty, to amend an Act, passed in the first year of His said late Majesty's reign, for the repairing and mending Highways, Roads, Bridges and Streets, and for appointing Surveyors of Highways within the several Townships of this Province; and also the engrossed amendment, were read a third time; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Clerk do take the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with an amendment, to which amendment they desire the concurrence of His Majesty's Council.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to state to His Excellency, the alterations contemplated by the House to be made to the Militia Law, for the information of His Excellency.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. W. A. Chipman and Mr. Fraser, be a Committee for the above purpose.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Report of the Committee of Privileges to this House on the 20th inst. be received by the House, and thereupon,

Mr. Haliburton moved, that the House do come to the following Resolution, viz.

*Resolved*, That the Seat of J. G. Marshall, Esq. one of the Representatives for the County of Sydney, be, and the same is hereby, declared vacant, and that the Speaker of this House do forthwith apply for a Writ, in order that another Person be elected and returned to represent the County of Sydney in the General Assembly: which, being seconded and put,

Mr. Fairbanks moved an amendment to the foregoing motion, as follows, viz :—after the word “Resolved,” leave out the words “That the Seat of” and insert in place thereof, the words following, viz :

That, for the reasons stated in the Report of the Committee of Privileges, and in as much as J. G. Marshall, Esq. one of the Members of the County of Sydney, mentioned in the said Report, hath not hitherto, during this Session, attended in his place in this House, that therefore the seat of the said,” which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, Eleven ; against it, Twenty-one :

For the Amendment :

Mr. Poole,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. Fairbanks,  
Mr. Church,  
Mr. Lawson,  
Mr. Robertson,  
Mr. Uniacke,  
Mr. Ritchie,  
Mr. Morse,  
Mr. Flemming,  
Mr. J. I. Chipman,

Against the Amendment :

Mr. T. Dickson,	Mr. T. Roach,
Mr. Bishop,	Mr. Freeman,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Heckman,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. W. Dickson,
Mr. Wells,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Albre,	Mr. Blair,
Mr. R. Dickson,	Mr. Fraser,
Mr. James,	Mr. Wier,
Mr. W. H. Roach,	Mr. Haliburton,
Mr. Dewolf,	Mr. Ruggies,
Mr. Demison,	

So it passed in the negative.

The Resolution moved by Mr. Haliburton was then put to the House, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, ten ; against it, twenty-two. So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Ritchie reported that the Managers had held a Conference with a Committee of the Council, on the Bill for encouraging the Fisheries of the Province, pursuant to the Resolution of yesterday, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House ; and thereupon,

On motion; *resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the Council on the subject matter of the last Conference, and that the Clerk do request the same.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, made and passed in the fifty-seventh year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly, with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council agree to a further Conference as desired by this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Managers who managed the last Conference do manage this 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 of Mr. Haliburton, *resolved*, That the Petition of John Gauld, and others, and the Report thereon ; also, the Petition of Hugh McDonald, and others, and the Report thereon, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

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 Bill relating to Marriages, and the issuing of Marriage Licenses ; also, the Bill relating to Brandy imported from certain Places ; and also the Bill, in amendment of an Act to prevent the harbouring of Deserters from

from His Majesty's Army, and the Sale of Arms, Accoutrements and Clothing, belonging to His Majesty, and that they had directed him to report the said Bills to the House, severally, without any amendment. That the Committee recommend that the Bill to authorize the Incorporation of a Company for making a Canal by the River and Lakes of the Shubenacadie, be referred to a select Committee, to be appointed by the House, 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 several Bills which stood committed, which the House agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the Shubenacadie Canal Bill be referred to Mr. Archibald, Mr. T. Roach, and Mr. Haliburton, who are to examine into the merits of the same, and report thereon.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments made by the Council to the Act in addition to, and amendment of an Act for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly, and the same were read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to the said amendments, and that the Clerk do take the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a further Conference by Committee on the Bill for encouraging the Fisheries of the Province.

The Council have agreed to the amendment made by this House to the Bill relating to the repairing and mending Highways, Roads and Bridges.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do 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 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. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for encouraging the Fisheries of the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Blair, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to make further provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia, and the same was read a first time; and thereupon,

Mr. W. H. Roach moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed to this day three months: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, Eleven; against it, Fifteen; so it passed in the negative.

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

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the subject of the Militia Bill, that the Committee had, pursuant to Order, waited on His Excellency, and that His Excellency was pleased to state to the Committee that he was apprehensive that the proposed alteration to the Militia Law, which was intended to limit the distance the Militia were to travel, to attend Trainings and Drills, would lead to questions as to distance

diffiance, which would cause trouble in the execution of the Law ; but that His Excellency would guard against the evil intended to be remedied, by a General Order for that purpose. That, as regarded the second alteration, His Excellency was satisfied with what was proposed thereby, and that His Excellency, as Commander in Chief, had acted already upon the principle of that clause, in affording relief in various instances.

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

*Thursday, 26th February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, *ordered*, That the several Revenue Bills which passed the House on the 24th inst. be sent to the Council, by the Clerk, for concurrence.

An engrossed Bill relating to Brandy imported from certain Places, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act relating to Brandy imported from certain Places.

An engrossed Bill, in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the fourth year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to regulate the Inferior Court and Sessions in the County of Cape-Breton, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the fourth year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to regulate the Jurisdiction of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas within the County of Cape-Breton ; and to fix and establish the Time and Places for holding of the said Inferior Court and General Sessions of the Peace in and for the said County.

An engrossed Bill relating to Marriages, and the issuing of Marriage Licences, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act relating to Marriages, and the issuing Marriage Licenses.

An engrossed Bill in amendment of an Act to prevent the harbouring Deserters from His Majesty's Army, and the sale of Arms, Accoutrements and Clothing, belonging to His Majesty, 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-fifth year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to prevent the harbouring Deserters from His Majesty's Army, and the sale of Arms, Accoutrements and Clothing, belonging to His Majesty.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act to provide for the greater security of the Province, by a better regulation of the Militia, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to alter and continue the several Acts to provide for the greater security of the Province by a better regulation of the Militia, and to repeal the Militia Laws now in force.

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

A Bill to make further provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia, was read a second time ; and thereupon,

Mr. W. H. Roach moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed to this day three months : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Fifteen ; against it, Twenty :

For

## For the Motion :

Mr. Bishop,  
Mr. Albro,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. Wells,  
Mr. James,  
Mr. Dennison,  
Mr. T. Roach,  
Mr. Lawson,  
Mr. W. H. Roach,  
Mr. Poole,

Mr. Church,  
Mr. Heckman,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. Flemming,  
Mr. Young.

## Against the Motion :

Mr. Robertson,  
Mr. Freeman,  
Mr. R. Dickson,  
Mr. Archibald,  
Mr. Uniacke,  
Mr. W. Dickson,  
Mr. Morse,  
Mr. T. Dickson,  
Mr. Haliburton,  
Mr. Fraser,

Mr. Fairbanks,  
Mr. J. I. Chipman  
Mr. Ruggles,  
Mr. Blair,  
Mr. Smith,  
Mr. Wier,  
Mr. Campbell,  
Mr. Dewolf,  
Mr. McKinnon,  
Mr. Ritchie.

So it passed in the negative.

*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 General State of the Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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.

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*Friday, 27th February, 1824.*

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## PRAYERS.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee to whom the Bill to authorize the Incorporation of a Company for making a Canal by the River and Lakes of the Shubenacadie, 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 the Committee have carefully read and examined that Bill, and recommend that the Preamble of the Bill be left out, and that a Clause be added (a draft of which the Committee recommend with this Report) the intension of which Clause is to protect the interest of Individuals from injury by any act of the Corporation, and, with these amendments, the Committee agree in recommending the Bill to the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Report, and 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 General State of the Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 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 it should be recommended to the House to encourage the Fisheries of the Province, by granting a Bounty on Salt imported in the same way as last year ; also a Bounty of One Shilling per Quintal on all Fish of a Merchantable quality, exported from the Province to Europe or South America ; also a Bounty of Ten Shillings per ton on Vessels employed in the Fisheries, of the Burthen of Twenty-five Tons, for at least four months in the year, and that a Committee, be appointed by the House, to bring in a Bill for carrying into effect this Resolution.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Smith and Mr. Fairbanks, be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill agreeably to the foregoing Resolution.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act made and passed in the fifty-seventh year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the fourth year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to regulate the Jurisdiction of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas within the County of Cape-Breton, and to fix and establish the Time and Places for holding of the said Inferior Court and General Sessions of the Peace in and for the said County; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act for granting a Drawback of the Duties on Brown or Raw Sugar, used in the manufacture of Refined Sugar, within the Province, and for regulating the mode of obtaining the same; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the thirty-fifth year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to prevent the harbouring Deserters from His Majesty's Army, and the sale of Arms, Accoutrements and Clothing, belonging to His Majesty.

The Council request a Conference, by Committee, on the subject of the Bill for granting to His Majesty, certain duties on Wine, Brandy, Rum, Gin, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, &c.; and also, on the Bill for raising an additional Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Ritchie, and Mr. Fairbanks, do manage the 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.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the Bill to authorize the Incorporation of a Company for making a Canal by the River and Lakes of the Shubenacadie.

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 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 of Mr. T. Roach, *resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the Council on the subject matter of the last Conference, and that the Clerk do request the same.

The Clerk reported that the Council had agreed to the Conference as desired by the House.

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

And

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.

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

*Saturday, 28th February, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the Incorporation of a Company for making a Canal by the River and Lakes of the Shubenacadie, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to authorize the Incorporation of a Company for making a Canal by the River and Lakes of the Shubenacadie.

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

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill on the subject of the Fisheries, and accordingly presented

A Bill for extending and encouraging the Fisheries of this Province, and the same was read a first time.

On motion, *resolved*, that the Bill be now read a second time, and the Bill was read a second time accordingly.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and continue 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,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and continue the several Acts to provide for the greater security of the Province by a better regulation of the Militia, and to repeat the Militia Laws now in force ; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to Brandy imported from certain Places, severally without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Shubenacadie Canal Bill, with an amendment, to which amendment they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendment made by the Council to the Bill above mentioned, and the same was read throughout a first and second time ; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to the said amendment, and that the Clerk do take the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to

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 same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Two Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the Commissioners of the Bridewell in the Town of Halifax, to aid in paying off the debts due for that Establishment.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Seventeen Pounds, Two Shillings and Six Pence, should be granted and paid to James Dawson, for the Bounty on One Hundred and Thirty-seven Hogsheads of Salt, by him sold in the last year. And a further sum of Thirty-three Pounds Ten Shillings, to George Smith, for the Bounty on Two Hundred and Sixty-eight Hogsheads of Salt, sold by him as aforesaid. And a further sum of Eleven Pounds Fifteen Shillings, to William Rankin, for the Bounty on Ninety-five Hogsheads of Salt, sold by him as aforesaid,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted, and applied under the direction of the Deputy-Postmaster General, to aid the Inhabitants of Douglas and Rawdon, in establishing a line of Communication by Post from M'Leilan's, on the Halifax Road, to Shubenacadie.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Deputy-Postmaster General of the Province, to be by him applied to the establishment and support of a Post Communication between Antigonish and Sherbrooke, at the head of the Tide on St. Mary's River.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Commissioners of Sewers of Cornwallis, to aid the Inhabitants in rebuilding the Wellington Dike, so called.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Three Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to aid the Inhabitants of Lunenburg and New Dublin, to erect a Bridge over Labave River at Wile's Saw Mill.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that for encouraging Richard Scott and Thomas Bulgin, in the manufacture of Slates, by opening and working Quarries of that Article in the Township of Rawdon, the sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to aid them in making a new road from the Slate Quarry now opened by them.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum not exceeding Two Hundred Pounds, should be appropriated annually, for the two next years, to enable His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to procure, if he shall consider it expedient, an efficient Field Officer to superintend the Militia Duties in the County of Cape-Breton,

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 Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Incorporation of a Company for making a Canal by the River and Lakes of the Shubenacadie, without any amendment.

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the General State of the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do 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, on the General State of the Province, do manage this Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

Mr.

Mr. Archibald reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and that the Committee of His Majesty's Council had stated to the Committee of the House, that the Council were desirous of presenting an Address, jointly with the House, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, expressive of the respect they entertain for His Excellency, and their regret at his approaching departure for Great-Britain: and the House having taken the same into consideration, thereupon,

On motion, *resolved unanimously*, That this House will most cheerfully concur with His Majesty's Council in such Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and further, that it is the wish of this House, to accompany the Address with a sum of Five Hundred Guineas, to be expended in the purchase of a Sword, or a Piece of Plate, or in any other manner that His Excellency may prefer; and that Mr. Speaker do communicate with the President of His Majesty's Council on the subject of this Resolution, and also the best mode of conveying the wishes of the Council and this House to His Excellency.

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

*Monday, 1st March, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that he had, pursuant to the desire of the House, on Saturday last, communicated with the President of His Majesty's Council, on the subject of the Resolution for presenting an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and that the President of the Council and Mr. Speaker had written a Letter to His Excellency, expressive of the wishes of the Council and the House; and that His Excellency was pleased to give an answer to the same; a Copy of which Letter, and also the Answer received from His Excellency, were read by Mr. Speaker, and are as follow, viz.

*Halifax, 28th February, 1824.*

SIR,

**W**E are desired by His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly, to communicate to your Excellency their wish to present an Address to you, expressive of the respect they entertain for your Excellency, and their regret at your approaching departure for Great-Britain; and also the wish of the House of Assembly, in which His Majesty's Council are most happy to concur, to accompany this Address with the sum of Five Hundred Guineas, to be expended in the purchase of a Sword, or a Piece of Plate, or in any other manner your Excellency may prefer. Your Excellency will oblige us by expressing your sentiments as to the wishes of His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly.

We have the honor to be, with great respect,

Your Excellency's

Most Obedient Humble Servants,

S. S. BLOWERS, President of H. M. Council.

S. B. ROBIE, Speaker of the Assembly.

To His Excellency Lieutenant-General

Sir JAMES KEMPT, K. C. B.

&c. &c. &c.

*Government-House, 1st March, 1824.*

GENTLEMEN,

**I** HAVE this moment received your Letter, communicating to me the wish of His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly, to present an Address to me, on the occasion of my approaching departure

departure for Great-Britain, accompanying the same with the sum of Five Hundred Guineas; to be expended in the purchase of a Sword or Piece of Plate; and, while I hasten to assure you that I shall receive the Address with peculiar pleasure, setting, as I do, the highest value on the approbation and good opinion of His Majesty's Council and the Representatives of the People of Nova-Scotia, yet I trust I may be permitted, without offence, respectfully to decline accepting of the valuable Present with which it was designed to accompany it.

I have the honor to be,

Gentlemen,

Your Most Obedient,

Humble Servant,

JAMES KEMPT.

To the Honorable

The PRESIDENT OF HIS MAJESTY'S COUNCIL, and

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Managers who managed the last Conference on the General State of the Province, be a Committee to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council for the purpose of preparing an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, expressive of the respect entertained by His Majesty's Council and this House, for His Excellency, and their regret at his approaching departure for Great-Britain.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do acquaint the Council with the foregoing Resolution.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider further of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 had come to several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Fifty-six Pounds Six Shillings and One Penny, should be granted and paid to George P. Lawson, being the amount of the Duties paid into the Treasury, on a quantity of Wheat, imported by him from Bremen, and manufactured in this Province into Flour, and supplied for the use of His Majesty's Troops.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twelve Pounds Ten Shillings should be granted and paid to the Commissioners of the Poor at Halifax, to enable them to continue the School for the benefit of the Orphans and Poor Children, now in the Poor-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 Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

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. Wells 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 several Bills which stood committed : which Report the House agreed to.

Then

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

Tuesday, 2d March, 1824.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker delivered to the House a Letter received by him, this day, from the Deputy-Secretary of the Province, enclosing, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a Petition of a number of the Inhabitants of Sydney, and its vicinity, in the County of Cape-Breton, addressed to His Excellency, praying for aid to enable them to erect Grist Mills, and by His Excellency recommended to the favorable consideration of the House.

The said Petition was read by the Clerk; and thereupon,

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill;

Mr. Speaker,

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

£200 for the Briarwell in Halifax.

£62 7 6 to James Dawson, George Smith and William Rankin.

£250 for the Wellington Dike,

£100 to Richard Scott and Thomas Bulgin.

£200 for a Field Officer for the Militia of Cape-Breton.

The Council have not agreed to three Resolutions of this House, for granting the following Sums, viz.

£300 for a Bridge over Labare River.

£20 for a Post Communication for Douglafs and Rawdon.

£20 for Ditto between Antigonish and Sherbrooke.

The Council have not agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, for the support of His Majesty's Government, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries, of the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Ritchie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, &c. and the same was read a first time; and thereupon,

On motion, *resolved*, that the Bill be now read a second time, and the same was read a second time accordingly.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House; and thereupon,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the said Bill.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. W. Dickson took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker returned 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 to the House without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

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. W. Dickson took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill for extending and encouraging the Fisheries of this Province, 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 thereupon,

Mr. Haliburton moved, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House: which, being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

The said amendments were then severally put, and agreed to by the House.

Mr. T. Roach moved, that the Bill do not pass to be engrossed: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Ten; against it, Twenty-one:

For the motion:

Mr. T. Roach,  
Mr. Wells,  
Mr. Bishop,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. Lawson,  
Mr. Young,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. W. H. Roach,  
Mr. Blair,  
Mr. Morse,

Against the motion:

Mr. T. Dickson,  
Mr. Heckman,  
Mr. Freeman,  
Mr. Church,  
Mr. James,  
Mr. Dennison,  
Mr. Poole,  
Mr. Campbell,  
Mr. Fairbanks,  
Mr. Albro,  
Mr. Wier,  
Mr. Smith,  
Mr. Ritchie,  
Mr. J. I. Chipman,  
Mr. Haliburton,  
Mr. Flewelling,  
Mr. R. Dickson,  
Mr. Dewolf,  
Mr. Ruggles,  
Mr. Uniacke,  
Mr. Fraser,

So it passed in the negative.

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee, and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government, was read a third time, and thereupon,

Mr. Fairbanks moved, That the following enacting clause, be added to the Bill, as a Rider, viz.

And be it further enacted, That the Duty imposed on Brown Sugar, by the said Act, herein above-recited, and hereby continued, shall extend to all Sugars hereafter imported into this Province: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, Three; against it Twenty-six:

For the Motion:

Mr. Fairbanks,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. Young,

Mr. Bishop,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. Heckman,  
Mr. Freeman,  
Mr. Wier,  
Mr. Dennison,  
Mr. Poole,  
Mr. Archibald,  
Mr. Dewolf,

Against the Motion:

Mr. W. H. Roach,  
Mr. James,  
Mr. Church,  
Mr. Haliburton,  
Mr. W. Dickson,  
Mr. Campbell,  
Mr. J. I. Chipman,  
Mr. Blair,  
Mr. T. Dickson,  
Mr. Uniacke,  
Mr. Morse,  
Mr. R. Dickson,  
Mr. Ritchie,  
Mr. Fraser,  
Mr. Robertson,  
Mr. Smith,  
Mr. Ruggles,

So it passed in the negative.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries, of the Province.

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

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider further of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. James took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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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 several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow:

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Ten Pounds Eleven Shillings and Five Pence should be granted and paid to Phineas Lovett, Jun. for a Drawback of the Duties on 72 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lbs. Sugar, exported by him to New-Brunswick in the year 1822.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid, in addition to the sum of Fifty-four Pounds Seven Shillings and Six Pence, subscribed by the Inhabitants of the County of Annapolis, for the clearing out various obstructions in the River Annapolis, between Hicks's Bridge, and the east bounds of the said County; the said sum not to be drawn from the Treasury, until the whole sum subscribed be expended for the purpose intended, and such expenditure duly certified to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to aid the Inhabitants of King's County, in addition to their subscription, for clearing out the Cornwallis River.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that, in addition to the sum of Two Hundred Pounds, heretofore granted, for making a Survey and Estimate of the Line and Expense of the proposed Shubenacadie Canal, a further sum, not exceeding Three Hundred Pounds, should be granted, to enable His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to procure an accurate Survey and Examination to be made of the proper line and direction for such Canal, and of the heights of the Land, distances, soils and obstructions, in its intended course; as also, an Estimate of the probable Expense necessary for its completion. The said sum to be paid when One Hundred and Fifty Pounds shall be raised by Individual Subscribers to complete the Survey.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the prayer of the Petition of Richard Bulger should be granted, and that the Attorney-General should be directed to credit him with the sum of One Hundred and Ten Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Eleven Pence, being the amount of Interest and Costs upon the several Suits of the Crown, against the said Richard Bulger, as Surety for Edward M'Swinye.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted in addition to the Salary of the Land Waiter for the Port of Halifax.

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 Report the House agreed to.

The said Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

Mr. T. Roach moved, that the last Resolution, passed in the Committee, be not agreed to by the House, which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Nine; against it, Sixteen:

For the Motion:

Mr. T. Roach,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. Morse,  
Mr. Heckman,  
Mr. Uniacke,  
Mr. Blair,  
Mr. Ritchie,  
Mr. Albro,  
Mr. Ruggles.

Against the Motion:

Mr. W. H. Rouch,  
Mr. Smith,  
Mr. T. Dickson,  
Mr. Church,  
Mr. Fairbanks,  
Mr. Archibald,  
Mr. Wells,  
Mr. Poole,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. Young,  
Mr. M. Kitton,  
Mr. R. Dickson,  
Mr. Freeman,  
Mr. J. I. Chipman,  
Mr. Flemming,  
Mr. W. Dickson.

So it passed in the negative.

The said Resolutions were then, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts of the General

ral Assembly, for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries, of the Province, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. W. A. Chipman reported from the Committee to whom the several Accounts for repairs to the Province Building, and also the Government House 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 Report do lie on the Table.

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

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*Wednesday, 3d March, 1824.*

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PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Uniacke, *resolved*, That the Petition of the Inhabitants of Sydney, in the County of Cape-Breton, recommended to the consideration of the House by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

An engrossed Bill for extending and encouraging the Fisheries of the Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for extending and encouraging the Fisheries of the Province.

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

On motion, *resolved*, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the consideration of Bills; and thereupon,

Mr. Wells moved, that Mr. William Dickson do take the chair of the Committee; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Seventeen; against it, Eighteen:

For the motion:

Mr. Fairbanks,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Wells,	Mr. W. H. Roach,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Young,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. Dennison,
Mr. Wier,	Mr. James,
Mr. Poole,	Mr. Flemming,
Mr. Heckman,	Mr. T. Roach,
Mr. Bishop,	Mr. Church,
Mr. Albro,	

Against the motion:

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. J. I. Chipman,
Mr. R. Dickson,	Mr. Ritchie,
Mr. Blair,	Mr. M'Kinnon,
Mr. Archibald,	Mr. Dewolf,
Mr. T. Dickson,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Morse,	Mr. Haliburton,
Mr. W. Dickson,	Mr. Freeman,
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Ruggles,
Mr. Uniacke,	Mr. Fraser,

So it passed in the negative.

The House then 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. Wells 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 several Bills which stood committed: which Report the House agreed to.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by Mr. Deputy Secretary Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

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

Accordingly

Accordingly Mr. Speaker with the House attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber.

And being returned,

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

An Act to authorize the Incorporation of a Company for making a Canal by the River and Lakes of the Shubenacadie.

An Act for the Preservation of Trout.

An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the thirty-fourth year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the Preservation of Partridges and Blue Winged Ducks.

An Act to continue and amend an Act, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions.

An Act to continue an Act, entitled, An Act in addition to and amendment of an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for repairing, cleansing and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, and for removing obstructions therein; and also the Act, in amendment thereof, passed in the forty-second year of His present Majesty's reign.

An Act to regulate the expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges.

An Act to alter and continue an Act, entitled, An Act imposing a Duty on Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported from the United States of America, and for appropriating the same.

An Act to continue an Act, entitled, An Act in addition to and in amendment of the several Acts, now in force, for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, Bridges and Streets, and for appointing Surveyors of Highways within the several Townships in this Province.

An Act to continue an Act, entitled, An Act for granting a Drawback of the Duties on Brown or Raw Sugar, used in the manufacture of Refined Sugars within the Province, and for regulating the mode of obtaining the same.

An Act to continue the several Acts respecting the Liverpool Light-House.

An Act to continue the 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, and also the Acts in amendment thereof.

An Act to amend an Act, passed in the fortieth year of His late Majesty, to amend an Act, passed in the first year of His said late Majesty's reign, for the repairing and mending Highways, Roads, Bridges and Streets, and for appointing Surveyors of Highways within the several Townships of this Province.

An Act to continue an Act, entitled, An Act more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise, and to prevent Frauds in the collection of the Provincial Revenue.

An Act to alter and continue the several Acts to provide for the greater security of this Province by a better regulation of the Militia, and to repeal the Militia Laws now in force.

An Act to continue an Act, entitled, An Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night.

An Act to continue an Act respecting Aliens coming into this Province, or residing therein.

An Act to alter and continue the several Acts for raising an additional Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province.

An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the thirty-fifth year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to prevent the harbouring Deserters from His Majesty's Army, and the sale of Arms, Accoutrements and Clothing, belonging to His Majesty.

An Act to continue an Act in addition to an Act, passed in the thirty-third year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, entitled, An Act for regulating the rates and prices of Carriages.

An Act to amend and continue an Act, made and passed in the thirty-eighth year of His late 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 forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood, in the Town of Halifax, and also the Act, now in force, in addition thereto.

An Act in addition to and amendment of an Act, made and passed in the fifty-seventh year of His

His

His late Majesty's reign; entitled, An Act for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly.

An Act to punish Persons guilty of maliciously killing or maiming Cattle.

An Act to continue the several Acts relating to the Light-House erected on Cranberry Island, near the entrance of the Gut of Canso.

An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, 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 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 and Shops for the retail of Spirituous Liquors.

An Act to repeal several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent forestalling, regrating and monopolizing.

An Act relating to Brandy imported from certain Places.

An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for granting to His Majesty certain duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries, of the Province.

An Act to continue an Act for establishing a Bridewell, or House of Correction, for the County of Halifax, and for providing a Police Office in said Town, with proper Officers to attend the same.

An Act to alter, amend and continue, an Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts, heretofore made, relating to Trespasses.

An Act to restrain the issuing Writs of Attachment in certain Cafes.

An Act to alter and continue 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.

An Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the fourth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to regulate the Jurisdiction of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas within the County of Cape-Breton, and to fix and establish the Time and Places for holding of the said Inferior Court and General Sessions of the Peace in and for the said County.

An Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.

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

*Thursday, 4th March, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

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

£10 11s. 5d. to Phineas Lovett, Jun.

£300 for the Survey of the Shubenaccadie.

£20 for the Land Waiter for the Port of Halifax.

£110 17s. 11d. to Richard Bulger.

The Council request a Conference by Committee, on the subject of the Resolutions for granting sum of Money for clearing out the Annapolis River, and also the Cornwallis River.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Bishop and Mr. W. A. Chipman, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference,

And

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. Hill :

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 do 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 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. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to the Resolution of this House for granting the sum of £100 for Cornwallis River.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the consideration of the Bill to make further provision for the equal administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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.

Mr. Young moved that the Bill do not pass to be engrossed: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, Seventeen; against it, Eighteen:

For the motion :

Mr. W. H. Roach,	Mr. Lawson,
Mr. Wells,	Mr. Young.
Mr. Fairbanks,	Mr. Flemming,
Mr. Albro,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. James,	Mr. T. Roach,
Mr. Poole,	Mr. Wier,
Mr. W. & Chipman,	Mr. Dennison,
Mr. Heckman,	Mr. Bishop,
Mr. Church,	

Against the motion :

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Ruggles,
Mr. Blair,	Mr. T. Dickson,
Mr. R. Dickson,	Mr. Haliburton,
Mr. Morse,	Mr. W. Dickson,
Mr. Archibald,	Mr. Ritchie,
Mr. Smith,	Mr. J. I. Chipman,
Mr. Utticke,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Dewolf,	Mr. Freeman,
Mr. McKinnon,	Mr. Fraser,

So it passed in the negative.

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

Mr. Lawson moved that the House do come to the following Resolution, viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this House, that the Bill, entitled, An Act to make further provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia, has been introduced into the House at a time when its Session ought to have ended, without any recommendation from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or any Petition or Complaint from any of the Inhabitants of the Province, charging any improper conduct, or want of knowledge, on the part of the

the Justices of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, or of any abuses to make it in any way necessary, to alter the constitution of the said Courts. That the Advocates of the said Bill have not brought forward any evidence, nor even produced a single Case to shew where any injustice or improper measures have been pursued by the Justices, under any decision of said Courts: under all these circumstances it must be evident, and tends to shew that the measure is at present wholly unnecessary, and can answer no other purpose but to create a support and maintenance for three Individuals at a very heavy expense to the Province; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Seventeen; against it, Eighteen:

For the Motion:

Mr. W. H. Roach,  
Mr. Wells,  
Mr. Fairbanks,  
Mr. Albro,  
Mr. James,  
Mr. Poole,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. Heckman,  
Mr. Church,

Mr. Lawson,  
Mr. Young,  
Mr. Fleming,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. T. Roach,  
Mr. Wier,  
Mr. Dennison,  
Mr. Bishop.

Against the Motion:

Mr. Robertson,  
Mr. Blair,  
Mr. R. Dickson,  
Mr. Morse,  
Mr. Archibald,  
Mr. Smith,  
Mr. Unwacke,  
Mr. Dewolf,  
Mr. McKinnon,

Mr. Ruggles,  
Mr. T. Dickson,  
Mr. Haliburton,  
Mr. W. Dickson,  
Mr. Ritchie,  
Mr. J. I. Chipman,  
Mr. Campbell,  
Mr. Freeman,  
Mr. Fraser.

So it passed in the negative.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider further of a Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 had come to two Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow:

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to aid the Inhabitants of King's County, in addition to their subscription, for clearing out, and improving the navigation of, Cornwallis River; the said sum not to be drawn from the Treasury, until the whole of the sum subscribed be expended for the purpose intended, and such expenditure duly certified to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Twenty-Two Pounds should be granted and paid to John F. T. Eschwind, in full for services performed by him as Health Officer for the Port of Halifax, from the 1st January, 1821, to the 31st December, 1823, per account.

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 Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee, appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that the joint Committee had drawn up an Address accordingly, and he read the Address in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

TO HIS EXCELLENCY LIEUTENANT-GENERAL

**SIR JAMES KEMPT,**

*Knight Grand-Cross of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath; Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.*

*May it please your Excellency,*

**H**IS Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly have learnt that your Excellency has obtained permission from our Most Gracious Sovereign to revisit your Native Country, and that

that it is your Excellency's intention to proceed upon your voyage soon after the close of the present Session of the General Assembly.

THE two Branches of the Legislature feel it a duty, as pleasing as they conceive it to be incumbent upon them, to express to your Excellency, before they separate, the high sense they unanimously entertain of the many important services which you have rendered to this Province since you have administered the Government; and they assure your Excellency that the Inhabitants of Nova Scotia most cordially participate in the sentiments of respect, esteem and affection, for your Excellency, with which His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly are so deeply impressed.

YOUR Administration has been marked alike by energy and moderation, and those over whom your Excellency presides, feel that their just claims have ever been received with kindness, and examined with attention, that you have heard with patience, and decided with firmness, justice and impartiality.

UNDER your Excellency's superintending and vigilant inspection, the duties of the several Officers of the Provincial Government, have been discharged with zeal and punctuality, and each of them has found that uprightness and diligence have intured to them from your Excellency both protection and support.

You leave the Province, Sir, tranquil and prosperous, and we beg permission to assure your Excellency, that you carry with you the warmest wishes of its Inhabitants for your health and happiness, and their most earnest desire for your speedy return.

THAT your voyage may be safe and pleasant; that you may meet with the approving reception from our Sovereign, to which your merits so fully entitle you, and that your private affairs may soon permit you to resume the Government of this Province, are the sincere and ardent wishes of His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly.

On motion, *resolved*, That this House do agree to the said Address, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

On motion, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to know his pleasure when he will receive the said Address.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Frazer, Mr. T. Roach and Mr. Wells, be a Committee for the above purpose.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do acquaint the Council with the foregoing Resolutions.

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

*Friday, 5th March, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to make further provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova Scotia, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Mr. W. H. Roach moved, that the Bill do not pass; which being seconded and put, and the House, dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Seventeen; against it, Eighteen; so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Fairbanks then moved that the following enacting Clause be added to the Bill as a Rider, viz.

*And be it further enacted*, That in each and every County and District comprehended within the Divisions specified in this Act, the Inferior Court of Common Pleas shall have power and authority, after the passing of this Act, to hear and determine those Causes only which are now depending therein, and such Causes of a summary nature as shall hereafter be prosecuted therein; and the Supreme Court of Judicature of the Province shall be held twice in the year at such times respectively

respectively as by any Act of the present or any future Sessions of the General Assembly shall be appointed in that behalf. And the said Supreme Court in each of the said Counties and Districts shall be held either before any two of the Judges thereof, or before any one of the said Judges, and the Justice under this Act appointed for the Division to which the County or District in which such Supreme Court is held, shall belong, and such Justice to be appointed under this Act, shall, during the Circuit of the said Supreme Court, in the Division for which he shall be so appointed, be competent to the exercise of all the duties of an Assistant Judge of the said Supreme Court within such Division, but not elsewhere, nor beyond the limits thereof: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, nine; against it, twenty-six:

For the Motion,

Mr. Bishop,  
Mr. Fairbanks,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. Wells,  
Mr. Poole,  
Mr. Albro,  
Mr. Lawson,  
Mr. James,  
Mr. O'Brien,

Mr. W. H. Roach,  
Mr. Campbell,  
Mr. Dennison,  
Mr. J. I. Chipman,  
Mr. Dewolf,  
Mr. Morse,  
Mr. Ritchie,  
Mr. Wier,  
Mr. Fleming,

Against the Motion,

Mr. Robertson,  
Mr. T. Dickson,  
Mr. Heckman,  
Mr. Smith,  
Mr. Young,  
Mr. Ruggles,  
Mr. Haliburton,  
Mr. M. Kinnon,  
Mr. Uniacke,

Mr. Archibald,  
Mr. Freeman,  
Mr. T. Roach,  
Mr. R. Dickson,  
Mr. Blair,  
Mr. Fraser,  
Mr. Church.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Archibald then moved, that the Bill do pass: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eighteen; against it, seventeen:

For the Motion:

Mr. Fraser,  
Mr. Blair,  
Mr. R. Dickson,  
Mr. W. Dickson,  
Mr. Archibald,  
Mr. Uniacke,  
Mr. M. Kinnon,  
Mr. Freeman,  
Mr. Haliburton,

Mr. Robertson,  
Mr. Ruggles,  
Mr. Smith,  
Mr. T. Dickson,  
Mr. Morse,  
Mr. Ritchie,  
Mr. J. J. Chipman,  
Mr. Dewolf,  
Mr. Campbell,

Against the Motion:

Mr. Bishop,  
Mr. Albro,  
Mr. Fairbanks,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. Poole,  
Mr. T. Roach,  
Mr. Wells,  
Mr. Lawson,  
Mr. Dennison,

Mr. James,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. Heckman,  
Mr. W. H. Roach,  
Mr. Young,  
Mr. Church,  
Mr. Fleming,  
Mr. Wier.

So it passed in the affirmative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to make further Provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova Scotia.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

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

£100 for clearing out the Annapolis River,

£50 for clearing out the Cornwallis River,

£22 to John F. T. Gichwind,

£56 6s. 1d. to George P. Lawson,

£12 10s. for a School in the Poor House.

The Council request a Conference with this House by Committee, on the subject of the Bill for extending and encouraging the Fisheries of the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Smith, Mr. Fairbanks, Mr. Dewolf and Mr. Uniacke, do manage the said Conference.

And they went to the Conference,

On motion of Mr. T. Dickson, *resolved*, That the Petition of Edward Morgan be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

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 several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to aid the Inhabitants of Cape Canso, in removing from the Passage between Durell's Island and the Main Land, commonly called the Tittle, certain large Stones, and other obstructions, which at present prevent Boats and small Fishing Craft from navigating the said Passage at low water. The said sum not to be drawn from the Treasury, until the said Inhabitants shall have raised by subscription, or otherwise, the sum of Thirty Pounds, and expended the same for the above purpose, and such expenditure duly certified to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, for the purchasing Provisions, or to be otherwise expended as His Excellency may think best for the benefit of Shipwrecked Mariners, heretofore cast away, or hereafter cast away, on the Seal Islands, near Cape Sable, or other parts of the Coast of the Province.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Five Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid yearly for the term of two years, for the purpose of paying two Inspecting Field Officers of the Militia.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of One Hundred Pounds, (in addition to the sum heretofore granted, and unapplied,) should be granted and paid to aid the Inhabitants of the Gulf Shore, to complete the repairs of the Pier at Point Arisaig, and to extend the said Pier if expedient.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to Walter Bromley, to aid him in supporting the House of Industry at the Acadian School, in the Town of Halifax.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum, not exceeding Two Hundred Pounds, should be appropriated for the erection and encouragement of Corn and Oat Mills in the County of Cape-Breton, the said sum to be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and that the same, or such part thereof, as he shall think proper, be expended for the above purpose.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Twenty-five Pounds Two Shillings and Six Pence, should be granted and paid to John Howe and Son, for printing the Acts passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, for transmission to England, per account.

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 thereupon,

Mr. Dewolf moved, that the Resolution for granting £100 for opening the Passage between Durell's Island and the Main Land, at Canso, be not received by the House; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, Twelve; against it, Sixteen. So it passed in the negative.

The said resolutions were then severally put, and agreed to by the House.

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

On motion, *resolved*, that the Accounts for the Repairs to the Government House; and the

Accounts for the Repairs to the Province Building; and also, the Report of the Committee thereon, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

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

*Saturday, 6th March, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

Mr. Archibald reported that the Managers had held a Conference with a Committee of the Council on the Bill for extending and encouraging the Fisheries of the Province, pursuant to the Resolution of yesterday, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the Council by Committee on the subject matter of the last Conference, and that the Clerk do request the same.

The Clerk reported that the Council had agreed to the Conference as desired by the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Archibald, the House came to the Resolutions following, viz :

Representation being made, on behalf of the Attorney-General, that, under the summary mode provided by the 3d Statute of George 4th, cap. 14, for recovering Debts due to the King, it is no longer necessary that he should receive the monies recovered on the Bonds put into the hands of the different Collectors of the Revenue.

*Resolved*, That the Commissioners of the Revenue be required to direct the Attorney-General to deliver to the different Collectors all Executions, hereafter issued on Judgments recovered at the suit of the King, first taking care to endorse thereon the amount of the Debt, Interest and Costs, which the Sheriff should levy by virtue thereof, over and above his own Fees; and the Collectors are hereafter to take care that such Executions are levied without delay, and all Monies recovered thereon paid over to them immediately by the different Sheriffs, and that they do keep a regular Account of the Bonds put in Suit, and all Monies from time to time recovered thereon.

*Resolved*, That the sum of Two Hundred and Eighty-Seven Pounds Five Shillings and Three Pence, be paid to the Attorney-General, in full for the balance due him on his Account with the Province, and as a final settlement of all his Accounts with the Province.

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

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to know his pleasure when he would receive the joint Address of His Majesty's Council and this House to His Excellency; that the Committee had, pursuant to order, waited upon His Excellency, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, he would receive the Council and the House of Assembly on the day before the rising of the Assembly, and, as it was probable the business of the Legislature would end by Tuesday next, His Excellency named Monday next, at two of the clock, at the Government House: but that His Excellency would communicate with the Council and the House if any change of the day became necessary.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate and increase the number of times for holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in and for

for the County of Sydney, with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to make further provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia, without any amendment.

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

£100 for opening the Passage between Durell's Island, and the Main Land at Canfo.

£200 for erecting Mills in the County of Cape-Breton.

£50 for the relief of Shipwrecked Mariners,

£100 for the Pier at Arisaig Point,

£100 to Walter Bromley,

£500 for Inspecting Field Officers,

£25 2 6 to John Howe & Son.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for extending and encouraging the Fisheries of this Province, with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The said amendments to the Bill abovementioned were read by the Clerk; and thereupon,

On motion, *resolved*, That this House will not consider the said amendments.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider further of a Supply.

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 several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the Committee of the Poor Man's Friend Society, to aid them in carrying into effect the benevolent intentions of that Society, including the Soup Establishment under their direction.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be applied by such Persons as His Excellency shall appoint, for the purpose of procuring Seed Potatoes and Grain for the distressed-Negroes at Hammond Plains, Dartmouth and Preston, and those at the Panuke Lake Settlement in the Township of Windsor, and Beech Hill, near Halifax.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to Edward Morgan, as a Bounty for the erection of an Oat Mill in the Township of Guysborough, upon the certificate of two Magistrates, that the said Mill has been in actual and useful operation for the space of one year.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Sixty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Trustees of the Acadian School, to enable them to discharge a debt of the like amount due to Mrs. M'Kay, the School-Mistress at the said School, for her services during the past year.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Forty Pounds should be granted and paid to John Boyd, for his services as Sergeant at Arms to the House of Assembly during the present Session.

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Twenty-five Pounds should be granted and paid to Matthew Forrester, for his services as Assistant-Sergeant at Arms to the House of Assembly during the present Session.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Twenty-five Pounds should be granted and paid to John Gibbs, for his services as Messenger to the House of Assembly, during the present Session.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a Sum not exceeding Eight Hundred and Thirty-seven Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Ten Pence, should be granted and paid for defraying the expense of the Post Communication in the present year, to include the Communication as heretofore kept up, and to extend the same from Manchester to Sydney, by way of Arichat; also, from Westchester, on the Cumberland Road, to Pugwash and Remsheg; and also, from Plaster Paris Cove to Maribou, in the County of Cape-Breton.

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 thereupon,

Mr. Dewolf moved that the Resolution, passed in the Committee for granting Sixty Pounds to Mrs. M'Kay, be not agreed to by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, Thirteen; against it, Fourteen. So it passed in the negative.

The said Resolutions were then severally put and agreed to by the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Smith, *resolved*, That the Directors of the Central Board of Agriculture be authorized to pay to Hugh Fraser and John M'Eberson, the sum of Fifteen Pounds each, as a bounty for the erection of two Oat Mills in the District of Pictou, agreeably to the Report of the Committee of this House on their Petition.

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

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*Monday, 8th March, 1824.*

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PRAYERS.

On reading the proceedings of yesterday, Mr. Ritchie moved, that the Resolution passed for granting the sum of Sixty Pounds to Mrs. M'Kay, be rescinded, which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen; against it, thirteen:

For the Motion:

Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. Freeman,  
Mr. Young,  
Mr. James,  
Mr. Smith,  
Mr. Ritchie,  
Mr. Ruggles,  
Mr. W. H. Roach,

Mr. Wier,  
Mr. Blair,  
Mr. Uniacke,  
Mr. Nourse,  
Mr. M'Kinnon,  
Mr. Dewolf,  
Mr. T. Roach,

Against the Motion:

Mr. Fairbanks,  
Mr. Albro,  
Mr. Church,  
Mr. W. Dickson,  
Mr. Wells,  
Mr. L. Dickson,  
Mr. Lawson,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. Fleming,  
Mr. Archibald,  
Mr. Heckman,  
Mr. R. Dickson,  
Mr. Bishop,

So it passed in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Lawson, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to ascertain whether the Secretary and Treasurer of the Provincial Agricultural Society has been paid his Salary, for the year 1823, and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. Dewolf and Mr. W. Dickson, be a Committee for the above purpose.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments made by the Council to the Sydney Inferior Court Bill, and the same were read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to the said amendments, and that the Clerk do carry the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Unfacke reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of Jacob Shaffroth; and also, the Petition of John Merkel, and others, 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 Report do lie on the Table.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

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

£837 13s. 10d. For the Communication by Post.

£100 For Distressed Negroes.

£100 For the Poor Man's Friend Society.

£20 To Edward Morgan.

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the several Resolutions of this House in favor of John Boyd, M. Forrester, and John Gibbs.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to the said Conference, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Fairbanks and Mr. T. Roach, do manage the 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.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate and increase the number of Times for holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in and for the County of Sydney, without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to the two Resolutions of this House relative to the Attorney-General.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Morse, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to alter the Times of sitting of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and Sessions of the Peace for the Counties of Lunenburg and Shelburne and the District of Colchester, 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, to consider further of a Supply.

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 several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that as a permanent provision by Bill for Schools in the Province cannot be effected during the present Session, there should be granted and paid for the keeping up and supporting, during the present year, the English Schools in the several Counties and Districts throughout the Province, to such Commissioners within the respective Counties and Districts as shall be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander-in-Chief, for ex-

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pending the same, the sum of One Hundred and Twenty Pounds for each and every of the said Counties and Districts : and the further sum of One Hundred Pounds each, to the several and respective Trustees of the National, Acadian, and Catholic Schools, in Halifax, to assist those respective Institutions.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that as the making Stone Bridges across the Main Post Roads in the Province will be highly beneficial, and eventually save much expense to the Province, a sum not exceeding One Thousand Pounds should be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to enable him to defray the expense of making Stone Bridges upon the Main Roads aforesaid, in such places as he shall deem expedient, and where it is probable the Road will not be altered upon the Report of any Commissioner or Commissioners, or from any other evidence that shall be satisfactory to him.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum not exceeding Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds should be granted and applied in the usual manner, to the repair of Bridges, and the removing of obstructions to travelling on the Main Roads in the Province, for the present year.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee that a sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Adjutant-General of the Militia, in addition to the sum of £100 already appropriated ; the same being for the payment and compensation of his Clerk, Office Rent, and increased Duties in his Department.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Thirty-five Pounds should be granted and paid to S. G. W. Archibald, Esquire, one of the King's Counsel at Law, for his services in prosecuting Criminal Offenders in the Supreme Court in the District of Pictou, and the County of Cumberland, during the Eastern Circuit in June last : the same being certified by the Circuit Judges.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Thirty-five Pounds should be granted and paid to W. H. O. Haliburton, Esquire, one of the King's Counsel at Law, for his services, in prosecuting Criminal Offenders in the Supreme Court in the Western Circuits of the Province in the last year ; the said services being certified by the Chief-Justice and the Circuit Judges.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Seventy Pounds should be granted and paid to the Secretary of the Province for his services since the year 1821, in making out Road Commissions, Bonds, &c. and for making out Warrants for the said service.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that in consideration of the great usefulness of the Flour and Oat Mills, erected at Truro by Thomas Dickson, and the circumstances attending the accidental destruction by fire, and the subsequent rebuilding thereof, as stated in his Petition, the sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the said Thomas Dickson, to aid him to complete and perfect the said Mills.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds should be appropriated and placed at the disposal of the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to enable him to have Surveys made of those parts of Cape-Breton where new Roads are to be opened.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to Peoly Randle, to aid him in erecting an Oat Mill in the Township of Falmouth : the said sum not to be drawn from the Treasury until the Mill is in operation.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Thirty Pounds should be granted and paid to George Revel, to assist him in completing his Grist and Oat Mill, which was consumed by Fire, and he is now rebuilding at a heavy expense at Amherst.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Thirty-five Pounds should be granted and paid for defraying certain expenses incurred and payable by the Commissioners of the Avon Bridge Lottery, for printing Tickets, Advertisements, and other services performed.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Two Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the Steam Boat Company, towards enabling them to keep their Boat plying between Halifax and Dartmouth, for the present year.

*Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to enable His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to proceed in making a Survey of the Lines of the Counties in this Province, in addition to the sum heretofore granted for that purpose, and not expended.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifteen Shillings per Day should be allowed and paid to the Members of the House of Assembly for their attendance in General Assembly, upon the certificate of the Speaker of the House of Assembly.

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 Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

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

*Tuesday, 9th March, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor had this morning informed him, that he would receive His Majesty's Council and this House with their joint Address at the Government House, This Day, at half past three of the clock.

A Bill to alter the times of sitting of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and Sessions of the Peace for the Counties of Lunenburg and Shelburne, and the District of Colchester, 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 said Bill.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 thereupon,

Mr. Fairbanks moved that the amendments be not agreed to, which, being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

The said amendments were then severally put, and upon the question agreed to by the House.

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

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Council to ascertain what have been their proceedings on the Marriage License Bill; and also, on the Bill to encourage the raising of Bread-Corn, sent up for concurrence, and that they do report the same to the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Fairbanks and Mr. Wells be a Committee for the above purpose.

On motion of Mr. Smith, *resolved*, that the Attorney-General be authorized and directed to pay over to William Corbet, the sum of Ninety-six Pounds Three Shillings and Two Pence, agreeable to the prayer of his Petition, the Statement of the Attorney-General, and the Report of the Committee of this House.

A Bill to continue an Act for encouraging the Fisheries of this Province, was read a second time; and thereupon, Mr Dewolf moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed to this day three months, which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty; against it, ten:

## For the Motion:

Mr. Blair,	Mr. Uniacke,
Mr. James,	Mr. Wier,
Mr. Poole,	Mr. J. Dickson,
Mr. Ruggles,	Mr. Flemming,
Mr. W. H. Roach,	Mr. M. Kinnon,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Ritchie,	Mr. Dewolf,
Mr. Young,	Mr. Haliburton,
Mr. Freeman,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. J. J. Chipman,	Mr. Robertson,

## Against the Motion:

Mr. Wells,
Mr. Allro,
Mr. Bishop,
Mr. W. Dickson,
Mr. Fairbanks,
Mr. R. Dickson,
Mr. Archibald,
Mr. Dennison,
Mr. Smith,
Mr. Lawson,

So it passed in the affirmative.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to three Resolutions of this House for granting the following Sums, viz.

£40 to John Boyd,

£25 to M. Forrester,

£25 to John Gibbs.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, *resolved*, That the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds, granted in the year 1821, for the purpose of erecting a Bridge over the Narrows at Argyle, in the County of Shelburne, and yet undrawn from the Treasury, be appropriated as follows, viz.

£20 For the Road from Tusket Bridge to Salmon River, including the repair of the said Bridge.

£20 For the Road from Nathan Goodwin's North Bounds to Charles D'Entremont's.

£22 For the Road from the French Chapel to Joshua Porter's on the Post Road.

£38 For the Road from Pubnico Bridge to Thomas Goodwin's, including the repair of the said Bridge.

£30 For the Road from Aaron Spinney's to the North Bounds of James Frost's Lot.

£20 For the Road from the Tusket Parade to Gavel's Falls, on the Road to Kempville.

£150

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

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

£1000 for erecting Stone Bridges,

£200 to the Steam Boat Company,

£150 for Surveys of Counties,

£35 to the Managers of the Avon Bridge Lottery,

£30 to George Revel,

£20 to Peoly Randle,

£250 for Survey of Roads in Cape-Breton,

£100 to Thomas Dickson.

£70 to the Secretary of the Province.

£35 to W. H. O. Haliburton.

£35 to S. G. W. Archibald.

£50 to the Adjutant General of the Militia.

£750 For the repair of Bridges, &c. on the Main Roads.

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this House relative to Schools.

And

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Lawton reported from the Committee on the subject of the Salary of the Secretary and Treasurer to the Provincial Agricultural Society, for the year 1823, that the Committee had, pursuant to Order, made the necessary enquiry relative thereto, and found that the Salary for that year had not been paid.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

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 several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Fifteen Pounds Five Shillings and Three Pence should be granted and paid to William A. Black, Samuel Black and Thomas Hofferma, for a Drawback of the Duties on Machinery for a Mill, imported by them from Great-Britain, pursuant to the prayer of their Petition.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to assist Abel Benjamin to complete his Oat Mill in Cornwallis, which has lately been destroyed by a flood.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid for the purpose of making a roof over the Court-House in the Province Building, and finishing three Rooms therein, agreeably to the estimate of James Ives ; and that the same be expended under the direction of the Chief-Justice, the Attorney-General and the Solicitor-General : one of the said Rooms to be for a Committee Room for the House of Assembly.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Two Hundred and Forty-five Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Eleven Pence should be granted and paid to defray the Accounts of Expenditure for, and work done to, the Government House, in the last year.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Ninety-seven Pounds One Shilling and Eleven Pence should be granted and paid to defray the Accounts of Expenditure for, and work done to, the Province Building in the last year.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to Mrs. Eliza Monk, widow of the late George Henry Monk, Esq. deceased, late one of the Assistant-Justices of His Majesty's Supreme Court in this Province, in full for the Pension due to her said late Husband to the time of his decease, and of all claims on the Province.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Ten Pounds should be granted and paid to the Messenger of His Majesty's Council, in addition to the sum of Forty Pounds, granted for his services the present year.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Seventy Pounds should be granted and paid to the President of His Majesty's Council, to enable him to defray the expense of extra Clerks for the last and present Session of the General Assembly.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Thirty-five Pounds should be granted and paid to Mr. J. J. Sawyer, for his services in drafting and copying Bills for the Members of the House of Assembly, in the present Session.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee that a sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to defray the expense of Fuel, and for Sundries, furnished for the use of His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly, in the present Session : the same to be paid upon the Certificate of the President of the Council and the Speaker of the Assembly.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Thirty Pounds should be granted

granted and paid to the Clerk of the House of Assembly to defray the expense of Stationary, furnished for the use of His Majesty's Council, the House of Assembly and the Commissioners of the Revenue.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of One Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty-seven Pounds Ten Shillings should be granted and paid for the improvement of Agriculture, under the direction of the Provincial Agricultural Society, and to be appropriated as follows, viz.

For the support of the different Societies established in the Province, namely :

Twenty Pounds for the larger, and

Fifteen Pounds for the minor

} £500 00

For the erection of Nineteen Oat Mills in the following places, viz.

Two in Cape-Breton, and One each in Cumberland, Antigonishe, Douglafs, at the Seven Mile Plains, Hants, Windsor, Cornwallis, Parraborough, Aylesford, Annapolis or Granville, Scissiboo or Digby, Yarmouth, Shelburne, Liverpool, Lunenburg, Dalhousie Settlement, Chefer or Sherbrooke Settlement, and at St. Mary's, at £20 each; to be drawn from the Treasury and paid respectively, upon a Certificate being given, that the Mill for which the Bounty is granted, has been completed and put into useful operation

380 00

For the erection of Flax Mills, Twenty-seven in all, each £12 10; to be drawn and paid upon a Certificate as aforesaid

337 10

For importing the most approved Machinery of a Flax Mill to serve as a Model

20 0

For encouraging the growth of Perennial Red Clover Seed

70 0

For the Salary of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Society for the year 1823

250 0

£1557 10

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Two Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid for the Salary of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Central Board of Agriculture, for the present year.

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 Resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Fairbanks reported from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Council on the subject of the Bill relating to Marriage Licenses; and also, the Bill to encourage the raising of Bread Corn; that the Committee had complied with the order of the House, and found that His Majesty's Council had deferred the consideration of the said Bills respectively for three Months.

Mr. Speaker and the House, also, the President and His Majesty's Council, attended His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with their joint Address, at the Government-House, pursuant to the appointment of His Excellency.

And Mr. Speaker and the House being returned,

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

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council :*

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

**I**T having been one of the first objects of my ambition, in the Administration of the Government, to possess the confidence and good opinion of His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly; it is with feelings of no ordinary degree of satisfaction that I receive this joint and most gratifying expression of your affectionate regard, and approbation of my public conduct.

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It has been my constant endeavour to discharge the various duties of my station in a diligent, independent, and conscientious manner, and this course I have pursued to the best of my judgment—but it is the only merit, (if such it may be termed) to which I have any claim; for the services which your kindness and partiality have induced you to attribute to me, could not have been effected without the aid of your able advice and cordial support.

No greater blessing can happen to a Country than the existence of a mutual confidence between the Government and the People, and while harmony prevails in the Councils of the Legislature, the public prosperity is rarely lost sight of.

I HAVE so many inducements to return to a Country in which I take a very sincere interest, and where I have ever experienced great kindness, personal respect and public support in my Administration of its Government; that my absence from the Province will be no longer than I can possibly avoid; and to me it will be a proud and pleasing duty, to report to our gracious Sovereign the peaceful tranquility of this portion of His Majesty's Dominions, and the loyalty, contentment, and happiness which pervade all classes of His Majesty's Subjects in Nova-Scotia.

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

*Wednesday, 10th March, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill to alter the Times of sitting of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and Sessions of the Peace for the Counties of Lunenburg and Shelburne and the District of Colchester, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to alter the times of sitting of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the Counties and Districts therein named.

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

Mr. Haliburton moved that the House do come to the Resolution following, viz.

The House, viewing with regret the failure of the measures proposed by them for the encouragement of the Fisheries, and anxious that some assistance should be afforded to that valuable and important Branch of our Industry:

*Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding Two Thousand Pounds, be granted and applied to encourage the Fisheries, by a Bounty upon Salt. The Bounty to be regulated and paid agreeably to the rules, restrictions and regulations, of the Act, which passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, "entitled, An Act to encourage the Fisheries of the Province:" which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, thirteen;

For the Motion:

Mr. Wells,	Mr. Wier,
Mr. W. A. Chipman,	Mr. Dennison,
Mr. Flemming,	Mr. Smith,
Mr. Bishop,	Mr. T. Dickson,
Mr. Church,	Mr. Albro,
Mr. Archibald,	Mr. Fairbanks,
Mr. W. Dickson,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Haliburton,	Mr. R. Dickson,

Against the Motion:

Mr. M. Kinnou,	Mr. Dewolf,
Mr. J. I. Chipman,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Ruggles,	Mr. W. H. Roach,
Mr. Ritchie,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Freeman,	Mr. Poole,
Mr. James,	Mr. Blair,
Mr. Uniacke,	

So it passed in the affirmative.

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

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this House, that, in case the present Funds of the Province shall not be adequate to the payment of the appropriations made this Session, within the year, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, may order and direct the re-issuë of Province Notes to the amount cancelled the last year by the special order of His Excellency. ▲

**A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :**

Mr. Speaker,

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

£35 to J. J. Sawyer,

£100 for Sundries for the Council and the Assembly,

£30 for Stationary for the Council, &c.

£1557 10 for the encouragement of Agriculture,

£250 for making Rooms over the Court-House,

£20 to Abel Benjamin,

£200 for a Salary to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Central Board of Agriculture.

£10 to the Messenger of the Council,

£70 for extra Clerks to the Council,

£15 5 3 to William A. Black, and others,

£100 to Eliza Monk,

£295 19 11 for repairs to the Government-House.

£97 1 11 for repairs to the Province Building,

£2000 for a Bounty upon Salt.

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this House relative to the appropriation of £150 for Roads in the County of Shelburne.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to alter the Times of sitting of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the Counties and Districts therein named, without any amendment.

The Council have not agreed to the Resolution of this House relative to the Pay of the Members. And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Haliburton, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the copy of the Resolution for granting the sum of One Hundred Pounds to Mrs. Eliza Monk, in answer to her Petition, sent by His Excellency, for the consideration of the House; also, with a copy of the Resolution granting the sum of One Thousand Pounds to be expended in the erection of Stone Bridges on the main Post Roads in the Province; and also, with copies of the several Resolutions appropriating Monies for various services in the Island of Cape-Breton.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. R. Dickson, be a Committee for the above purpose.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider further of a Supply.

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 business to them referred, and that the Committee had framed a Bill for applying 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, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table; and thereupon,

On motion, the said Bill was read throughout a first and second time, and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

On motion, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to inform His Excellency that the House will be ready to be prorogued To-morrow, if it should suit His Excellency's convenience.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. Albro, Mr. Wells, Mr. R. Dickson and Mr. Flemming, be a Committee for the above purpose.

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

*Thursday, 11th March, 1824.*

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that, in a Communication with His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor this morning, His Excellency was pleased to inform him that he would be in the Council Chamber this Day, at Three of the Clock, for the purpose of proroguing the General Assembly.

On motion, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to state to His Excellency, that the House have had under its consideration the Communication from Earl Bathurst relative to the Windsor and Dalhousie Colleges, which was transmitted by His Excellency to this House.

But that as it is the intention of this House, in the next Session of the Assembly, to give a very general consideration to the subject of Education, in which those Institutions will necessarily be brought under discussion, they have found it necessary to defer the further consideration of his Lordship's Communication until that period.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Dewolf, and Mr. O'Brien, be a Committee for the above purpose.

An Engrossed Bill 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, 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 Twenty-four; 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.

On motion, *resolved*, That should the Bill, entitled, "An Act to make further provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia," which has passed this House and been agreed to by His Majesty's Council, pass into a Law, the Speaker do apply, during the recess of the House, for a Writ for the Election of one fit and proper Person to represent the County of Sydney, in the place of John George Marshall, Esq. and that in case any other vacancy shall happen by reason of any appointment to be made under the said Act; the Speaker do apply for a Writ or Writs to have the same filled pursuant to Law.

Mr. Haliburton reported from the Committee appointed yesterday to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with Copies of the several Resolutions of the House, on various subjects, in answer to Communications from His Excellency to this House, that the Committee pursuant to order, had accordingly waited upon and delivered to him; the said Resolutions, and that His Excellency was pleased to express his approbation of the same.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee appointed this day to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the subject of the Resolution of this House in answer to the Communication of Earl Bathurst to His Excellency relative to the Windsor and Dalhousie Colleges, that the Committee had accordingly waited upon and delivered to His Excellency a copy of the said Resolution.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty-four ; and for appropriating the Supplies granted in this Session 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 as the safe keeping and preservation of the Province Building, and the repairs thereof, require constant superintendance, it is the opinion of this House, that William Lawton, Esq. be Commissioner for this purpose, with authority to direct, and cause to be executed, such repairs as may from time to time become necessary, and to provide for the safe keeping of the Building.

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 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 make further provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia.

An Act to alter the times of sitting of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the Counties and Districts therein named.

An Act to regulate and increase the number of Times for holding the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, in and for the County of Sydney.

After which Mr. Speaker spake as follows :

*May it please Your Excellency,*

**I** BEG leave to present to your Excellency, on the behalf of His Majesty's faithful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Nova-Scotia, a Bill for appropriating the Supplies granted in this present Session for the support of His Majesty's Government for the present year, and to request your Excellency's assent to the same.

His Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the 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 Twenty-four, 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 Assembly :*

**I** HAVE great pleasure in releasing you from your Legislative Labours, and in conveying to you my best Thanks for the Supplies which you have granted to His Majesty for the various Public Services of the present Year.

The Internal Communications of a Country tend so manifestly to its improvement, and to increase the productive Industry of its Population, that I shall lose no time in employing the means which you have placed at my disposal, to ascertain the practicability and expence of forming a Canal, to unite the Waters of the Basin of Mines with the Harbourn of Halifax ; and it shall be my earnest endeavour to apply, to the best of my judgment, the other Monies which you have put under my control, to the objects which they are intended to promote. The

The spirit of harmony with which your deliberations continue to be conducted, is particularly gratifying to me; and cannot fail to have the most beneficial effects; indeed, to your good example may, in some degree, be attributed, the obedience to Authority, and the ready submission to the Laws, which have ever distinguished the Loyal Inhabitants of this Province.

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 first day of July next, to be then here held; and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the first day of July next.