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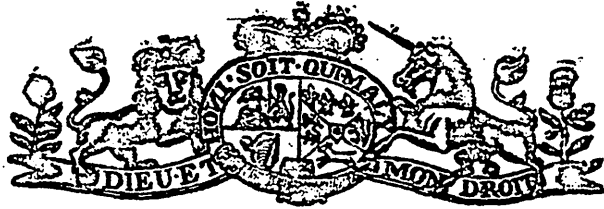
Fourth Session of the Twelfth General Assembly.



CHARLOTTE-TOWN, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND,

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1828.



By His Excellency Colonel JOHN READY,
Lieutenant Governor and Commander in
Chief in and over His Majesty's Island
Prince Edward, and the Territories there-
unto adjacent, Chancellor and Vice Admi-
ral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this
Island stands prorogued until Thursday the Twen-
ty-eighth day of February instant :

I have thought fit further to prorogue the said
General Assembly, and the same is hereby pro-
rogued until THURSDAY the Twentieth day of
March ensuing, then to meet FOR THE DIS-
PATCH OF BUSINESS, of which all persons
concerned are required to take notice and govern
themselves accordingly.

GIVEN under my hand, and the Seal of the said
Island, at Charlotte-Town, this Twenty-se-
venth day of February, in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight,
and in the Ninth year of His Majesty's Reign.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,

J. E. CARMICHAEL, Colonial Secretary.

God save the King.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,

THURSDAY, March 20, 1828.

In pursuance of the foregoing Proclamation His Majesty's Council met.

PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;
 Honorables { *William Pleace*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *Thos. H. Haviland*,
 { *Charles Worrell*.

THE HIS Excellency the Lieut. Governor having come to the Council Chamber, and being seated, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod received his Excellency's commands to inform the House of Assembly, "that it is his Excellency's pleasure that they do attend him in the Council Chamber instanter;"—who being come, his Excellency was then pleased to open the Session with the following Speech:—

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

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

"It affords me great pleasure in meeting you in General Assembly to have it in my power to congratulate you on the abundance of the late harvest, and the plenty which so generally abounds; and although there appears to have been a falling off in the Trade of the Island (compared with that of last year), arising, chiefly, from the great depression in a leading branch of our Exports, yet the revival of Trade and Manufactures in the Mother Country, and the re-establishment of Mercantile credit, it may be reasonably hoped, will, at no distant period, produce a favourable change in the Trade of the Colony; nor is it unreasonable to expect that the extension of the benefits of a Free Port to Charlotte-Town, which the Lords Committee of Trade have been pleased to recommend to His Majesty, may open new and beneficial sources of commerce for our Colonial industry and enterprize.

"Our agricultural improvement has, however, far exceeded that of any former period, both as regards the proper cultivation of our excellent soil, the improvement of our horses, cattle, and farming stock of every description, and likewise in other Branches of our Domestic Industry.

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

"I shall direct the Public Accounts to be laid before you, for your inspection, and I trust you will find the sums granted in the last Session to have been carefully applied to the purposes contemplated; and I rely with undiminished confidence in your making the necessary provision for the services of the present year.

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

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

"Several matters of Public interest have occurred since the last meeting of the Legislature which I shall feel it my duty to communicate to you by message, and which course I shall also take with other subjects which may present themselves during the Session that may require your consideration.

"Being fully sensible, from experience, how important it is to the welfare of the Colony that a friendly and confidential intercourse should at all

times exist between the two branches of the Legislature, I cannot too earnestly recommend to you, severally to adopt in your deliberations such a temperate and conciliatory course as will promote that harmony which is so desirable in the discharge of your public labours, and so vitally essential to the best interests of the Colony.

“**J. READY, Lt. Governor.**”

The Speech being ended, his Excellency was pleased to retire; and the House of Assembly having withdrawn, the President reported his Excellency's Speech, which being read by the Clerk—

Resolved, *nem. con.* that an humble address be presented to his Excellency, to return his Excellency the thanks of this House for his Speech delivered this day; when the Hon. *T. H. Haviland* and the Hon. *Charles Worrell* were appointed a Committee to prepare a Draft pursuant to the above resolution.

On motion, it was ordered, that the Hon. *Wm. Pleace* and the Hon. *A. Lane* be appointed a Committee for revising the Journals of the House each day.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 1 o'clock.

FRIDAY, March 21, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President.

Honorables { *William Pleace,*
Ambrose Lane,
Thomas H. Haviland,
Charles Worrell.

PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

The Committee appointed to prepare an address in reply to his Excellency's Speech, reported, that they had prepared a Draft of the same, which was accordingly read and agreed to as follows:

“*To His Excellency Colonel JOHN READY, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief in and over His Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto adjacent, Chancellor and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.*

The humble Address of His Majesty's Council.

“*May it please your Excellency,*

“*We His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Members of His Majesty's Council, in our Legislative capacity assembled, beg leave to thank your Excellency for your Speech at the opening of the present Session.*

“*We unite with your Excellency in congratulating the Colony on the late propitious and abundant harvest, and we cannot feel too grateful to the Divine Dispenser of all good for the blessings so manifestly derived therefrom. The late panic experienced in the Mother Country in almost every branch of mercantile speculation, it was natural to expect would extend itself here, connected as we are in our present leading articles of export; but as confidence becomes restored, and mercantile credit in consequence increased, we may reasonably anticipate that our Colonial industry and enterprise will receive its wonted encouragement. The extension of the privileges of the Free Port Act to the Port of Charlotte-Town, we sincerely trust may prove as advantageous as your Excellency anticipates.*

“The obvious recent improvement in every department of our Agriculture must prove a source of high gratification to every well-wisher of the Colony, convinced, as we are, how much our ultimate prosperity depends upon the proper cultivation of our fertile and grateful soil. The advantages of the late valuable importations of Stock are already manifest in those districts into which they have been introduced.

“His Majesty’s Council will pay due and respectful attention to such communications as your Excellency may deem it necessary to make to them. We are fully aware how desirable and important it is to the Public welfare, that a cordial understanding should at all times subsist between the two branches of the Legislature, and as it ever has been, and still is, our wish and endeavour to conduct our deliberations upon constitutional principles, we deprecate any other result than that our Legislative duties may terminate in harmony and consequent advantage to the interests of the Colony.

“Council Chamber, March 21st, 1828.”

On motion, it was ordered, that the Hon. *William Pleace* and the Hon. *Charles Worrell* be appointed a Committee to wait upon his Excellency, humbly to know at what time his Excellency would be pleased to receive the Address of His Majesty’s Council.

Adjourned until 12 o’clock on Monday.

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## MONDAY, March 24, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;  
 Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
                   *Ambrose Lane*,  
                   *Thos. H. Haviland*,  
                   *Charles Worrell*.

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of last meeting.

The Honorable *William Pleace*, from the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency, humbly to know at what time his Excellency would be pleased to be waited upon with the address of his Majesty’s Council, reported, that the committee had waited on his Excellency, and that his Excellency had appointed half past one o’clock this day to be waited on with the same.

The President of his Majesty’s Council reported, that he had delivered the address of the Council to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, and that his Excellency was pleased to return the following answer:

“GENTLEMEN,

“Accept my best thanks for this Address. The assurance you herein give me of your attention to the several matters which I may feel it necessary to recommend to your consideration, affords me the greatest satisfaction.”

Adjourned until to-morrow at 1 o’clock.

**TUESDAY, March 25, 1828.**

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;  
Honorables { *William Pleace,*  
*Ambrose Lane,*  
*Thos. H. Haviland,*  
*Charles Worrell.*

**PRAYERS.**

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

There being no business before the House, it was moved that they do adjourn.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

**WEDNESDAY, March 26, 1828.**

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;  
Honorables { *William Pleace,*  
*Ambrose Lane,*  
*Charles Worrell.*

**PRAYERS.**

There being no business before the House, it was moved that they do adjourn.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 1 o'clock.

**THURSDAY, March 27, 1828.**

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;  
Honorables { *William Pleace,*  
*Ambrose Lane,*  
*Thos. H. Haviland,*  
*Charles Worrell.*

**PRAYERS.**

There being no business before the House, it was moved that they do adjourn.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 1 o'clock.



*FRIDAY, March 28, 1828.*

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace,*  
*Ambrose Lane,*  
*Thos. H. Haviland,*  
*Charles Worrell.*

**PRAYERS.**

The Honorable *A. Lane* and the Honorable *Charles Worrell* were appointed a committee to examine into the expiring Laws.

A message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Mabey:

“Mr. President,

“The House of Assembly have passed a bill intituled “an Act for establishing the Standard Weight of Grain and Pulse, and for appointing proper Officers for measuring and weighing the same” to which they pray the concurrence of his Majesty’s Council.

On motion, the said bill received the first reading.

Adjourned until Monday at 1 o’clock.

*MONDAY, March 31, 1828.*

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace,*  
*Ambrose Lane,*  
*Thomas H. Haviland,*  
*Charles Worrell.*

**PRAYERS.**

Read the proceedings of last meeting.

On motion, the bill intituled “an Act for establishing the Standard Weight of Grain and Pulse, and for appointing proper Officers for measuring and weighing the same,”—received the second reading.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 1 o’clock.

*TUESDAY, April 1, 1828.*

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace,*  
*Ambrose Lane,*  
*Thomas H. Haviland,*  
*Charles Worrell.*

**PRAYERS.**

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

A message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Mabey:

“Mr. President,

“The House of Assembly have passed a bill intituled “an Act to continue and amend an act of the 6th of the present King, intituled an act to regulato

the performance of Statute Labour on the Highways, and to suspend an act made and passed in the 35th year of the late King, intituled an act to alter and amend the High Road Laws."—Also

"A bill intituled "an Act to render perpetual an act intituled an act to enable the Justices of the Supreme Court of Judicature to issue Commissions for examining witnesses out of the Island,"—to which they pray the concurrence of his Majesty's Council."

On motion, the above two bills received the first reading.

On motion, the bill intituled "an Act for establishing the Standard Weight of Grain and Pulse, and for appointing proper Officers for measuring and weighing the same,"—received the third reading and was passed, and a message ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly, to acquaint them therewith.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, April 2d, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

|            |   |                           |
|------------|---|---------------------------|
| Honorables | { | <i>William Pleace,</i>    |
|            |   | <i>Ambrose Lane,</i>      |
|            |   | <i>Thos. H. Haviland,</i> |
|            |   | <i>Charles Worrell.</i>   |

### PRAYERS.

In consequence of the absence of the President, his Majesty's Council could not proceed to business.

A message from his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor:

"The Lieutenant Governor is desirous that both Houses of the Legislature should adjourn until Thursday the 10th day of April."

Adjourned accordingly.

## THURSDAY, April 10th, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

|            |   |                                           |
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|            |   | <i>The Hon. George Wright, President.</i> |
| Honorables | { | <i>William Pleace,</i>                    |
|            |   | <i>Ambrose Lane,</i>                      |
|            |   | <i>Thos. H. Haviland,</i>                 |
|            |   | <i>Charles Worrell.</i>                   |

### PRAYERS.

A message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Owen :

"Mr. President,

"The House of Assembly have passed a bill intituled an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled "an act for the encouragement of Education in the different Counties and Districts in this Island."

"Also, a bill intituled "an act to revive and continue two certain acts therein mentioned."

"Also, a bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to prevent the running at large of Boar Pigs, and to restrain swine from going at large without rings."

“Also, a bill intituled “an act for continuing several laws near expiring,”—to which they pray the concurrence of his Majesty’s Council.”

“Mr. President,

“On motion, it was ordered, that a committee be appointed to meet a committee of his Majesty’s Council for the purpose of Inspecting the Public Accounts.—Mr. Cambridge, Mr. Owen, Mr. Mabey, and Mr. M’Neill were accordingly appointed a committee for that purpose.

“CHARLES DESBRISAY, Clerk H. A.

“Assembly Room, April 10th, 1828.”

On motion, it was ordered, that the Honorable *William Pleace* and the Honorable *T. H. Haviland* be appointed a committee to meet the committee of the House of Assembly, for the purpose of inspecting the Public Accounts—to meet in the Grand Jury Room to morrow at one o’clock, and that a message be sent to the House of Assembly to acquaint them therewith.

On motion, the bill intituled “an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th year of his present Majesty’s reign, intituled an act for the encouragement of Education in the different Counties and Districts in this Island,”—received the first reading.

The bill intituled “an act to revive and continue two certain Acts therein mentioned,”—received the first and second readings.

A bill intituled an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th year of his present Majesty’s reign, intituled “an act to prevent the running at large of Boar Pigs, and to restrain Swine from going at large without Rings.”

And a bill intituled “an act for continuing several Laws near expiring,”—received the first reading.

Adjourned until 12 o’clock to-morrow.

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## FRIDAY, April 11th, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
*Ambrose Lane*,  
*T. H. Haviland*,  
*Charles Worrell*.

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, ordered, that the following address be presented to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

“To His Excellency Colonel *JOHN READY*, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief in and over His Majesty’s Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto adjacent, Chancellor and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

“May it please your Excellency,

“We the Members of his Majesty’s Council, in our Legislative capacity, beg leave, respectfully, to request that your Excellency would be pleased to inform this House, whether your Excellency hath communicated with his Majesty’s Government on the subject-matter of its address presented to your Excellency on the 7th May last, relative to the questions in controversy between his Majesty’s Council and the House of Assembly, on the appropriation of the Public Revenue hereafter to be raised in this Island; and should your Excellency have complied with the wish expressed in said ad-

dress, and received any communication in answer thereto, we humbly request that the same be laid before this House for its information and guidance."

On motion, ordered, that the Honorable *William Place* and the Honorable *Ambrose Lane* be appointed a committee to wait upon his Excellency with the foregoing address.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to revive and continue two certain acts therein mentioned,"—received the third reading, was passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act for continuing several Laws near expiring,"—received the second and third reading, and passed, and a message ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly to acquaint them therewith.

The Honorable *Ambrose Lane* from the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the address of this House, reported, that they had waited on his Excellency accordingly, and that his Excellency was pleased to say, that he had forwarded the address of this House of the 7th May last, together with the several Resolutions of his Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly on the subject-matter in controversy between them, to his Majesty's principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, and that he had received a communication in answer thereto, a copy of which his Excellency was pleased to present to your committee, and is as follows:

No. 2.

"DOWNING-STREET, 30th October, 1827.

"SIR,

"With reference to your Despatch on the 15th of May, No. 9, addressed to Lord Bathurst, upon the subject of the unfortunate misunderstanding which has taken place between His Majesty's Council and House of Assembly of Prince Edward Island, I have to express my sincere regret that any subject should have occurred to disturb the harmony of the two branches of the Legislature, whose mutual good understanding is so essential to the best interests of the Colony. The subject-matter of the difference, too, is, unfortunately, one upon which the pertinacious adherence of both parties to what they respectively consider as matter of abstract right, must put an entire stop to the business of the administration, and plunge the Colony into irretrievable difficulties.

"You will, therefore, do well to express to His Majesty's Council the regret with which I learn that they have thought fit, now, for the first time, to act upon a claim of at least doubtful right, which has been more prudently suffered hitherto to lie dormant, and which in its nature it is not very easy to reconcile to the principles of the British Constitution.

"On the other hand, you will take an early opportunity of impressing upon the House of Assembly, the vital importance to the Colony of the most friendly and confidential intercourse between themselves and His Majesty's Council; and you will earnestly recommend to their adoption such a temperate and conciliatory course, as may preserve the Colony from those fatal consequences which a rupture between the two branches cannot fail to produce to those for whom they sit as Representatives, and whose interest it is their first duty to uphold.

I have the honor to be,  
Sir, Your most obedient  
humble servant,  
W. HUSKISSON."

(Signed)

Adjourned until one o'clock to-morrow.

*SATURDAY, April 12, 1828.*

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;  
 Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
                   { *Ambrose Lane*,  
                   { *Thos. H. Haviland*,  
                   { *Charles Worrell*.

**P**RAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly by the Attorney General:

“Mr. President,

“The House of Assembly have passed a bill intituled “an act to enable Tenants in Tail to execute Leases and grant terms of years of long endurance,”—to which they pray the concurrence of his Majesty’s Council.”

On motion, the said bill received the first reading.

The committee appointed to examine into the state of the Public Accounts, made the following report:

“Your committee having met the committee of the House of Assembly to examine into the Public Accounts and report thereon, beg leave to state, that after the most careful investigation, they have found them to be correct, except that the sum of £2681 16s 9d had been paid by the Treasurer, which did not appear in the Warrant Book, this sum having been paid out of appropriated monies under Warrants from his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, signed by the Private Secretary instead of the Clerk of the Council.”

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor having come to the Council Chamber, and being seated, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod received his Excellency’s commands to acquaint the House of Assembly that it is his Excellency’s pleasure that they do attend him in the Council Chamber instanter; who being come with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the following bills:

A bill intituled “an act for continuing several Laws near expiring:”

A bill intituled “an act to revive and continue two certain acts therein mentioned.”

The House of Assembly then withdrew, and His Excellency having retired, the House adjourned until Monday at one o’clock.

*MONDAY, April 14, 1828.*

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;  
 Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
                   { *Ambrose Lane*,  
                   { *Thomas H. Haviland*,  
                   { *Charles Worrell*.

**P**RAYERS.

Read the proceedings of last meeting.

On motion, the bill intituled “an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th year of his present Majesty’s reign, intituled an act to prevent the run-

ning at large of Boar Pigs, and to restrain Swine from going at large without Rings,"—received the second reading.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th of the present King, intituled an act to regulate the performance of Statute Labour on the Highways, and to suspend an act made and passed in the 35th year of the late King, intituled an act to alter and amend the High Road Laws,"—received the second reading.

Adjourned until to-morrow at one o'clock.

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TUESDAY, April 15, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;
 Honorables { *William Pleace*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *Thos. H. Haviland*,
 { *Charles Worrell*.

PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

The Honorable *Charles Worrell* gave notice that he would move for leave to-morrow to bring in a bill in addition to and amendment of an act made and passed in the 59th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to limit the duration of the Terms of the Supreme Court of Judicature, and for other purposes therein mentioned."—Leave was granted accordingly.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th of the present King, intituled an act to regulate the performance of Statute Labour on the Highways, and to suspend an act made and passed in the 35th year of the late King, intituled an act to alter and amend the High Road Laws,"—received the third reading, and was passed, with the following amendment; viz:

That in the continuing clause, the word "*Three*" be substituted for the word "*Ten*," and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly for their concurrence.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to prevent the running at large of Boar Pigs, and to restrain Swine from going at large without Rings,"—received the third reading, and passed, and a message ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly to acquaint them therewith.

Adjourned until to-morrow at one o'clock.

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## WEDNESDAY, April 16, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;  
 Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
                   { *Ambrose Lane*,  
                   { *Thos. H. Haviland*,  
                   { *Charles Worrell*.

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

The Honorable *Charles Worrell*, pursuant to his notice of yesterday,

moved for leave to bring in a bill intituled "an act in addition to and amendment of an act made and passed in the 59th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled an act to limit the duration of the Terms of the Supreme Court of Judicature, and for other purposes therein mentioned."—Leave being granted, the above bill was brought in, and, on motion, received the first and second reading.

Adjourned until to-morrow at one o'clock.

## THURSDAY, April 17th, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President ;

Honorables { *William Pleace,*  
*Ambrose Lane,*  
*Thos. H. Haviland,*  
*Charles Worrell.*

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act in addition to and amendment of an act made and passed in the 59th year of his Majesty's reign, intituled an act to limit the duration of the Terms of the Supreme Court of Judicature, and for other purposes therein mentioned,"—received the third reading, was passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly for their concurrence.

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

"Mr. President,

"On motion, it was ordered, that a committee be appointed to confer with a committee of his Majesty's Council on the subject of the amendments proposed to the bill intituled 'An Act to continue and amend an act of the 6th of the present King, intituled an act to regulate the performance of Statute Labour on the Highways, and to suspend an act made and passed in the 35th year of the late King, intituled an act to alter and amend the High Road Laws.' The *Attorney General*, *Mr. Campbell*, and *Mr. Hodgson* were appointed a committee for that purpose."

Ordered, on motion, that the following message be sent down to the House of Assembly.

"Mr. Speaker,

"His Majesty's Council do agree to the conference as requested by the House of Assembly, and have appointed the Honorable *T. H. Haviland* and the Honorable *Charles Worrell* a committee to manage the same, to meet in the Grand Jury Room instanter."

A Message from his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor:

"The Lieutenant Governor lays before the Council the Census of the Population of the Island, taken under the Act of the last Session; also, a Statistical Return of the Lands under cultivation, Stock, and Crops sown in the year 1827.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Owen:

"Mr. President,

"The House of Assembly have passed a bill intituled 'an Act to continue and alter an act made and passed in the eighth year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to revive, alter and continue an act made and passed in the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for increasing the Revenue, by levying a duty on Tobacco and Tea, and to appro-

appropriate the monies hereby granted,"—to which they pray the concurrence of His Majesty's Council."

On motion, the above bill received the first reading.

Mr. *Haviland*, from the committee appointed to confer with the committee of the House of Assembly on the subject of the bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th of the present King, intituled an act to regulate the performance of Statute Labour on the Highways, and to suspend an act made and passed in the 35th year of the late King, intituled an act to alter and amend the High Road Laws,"—reported the substance thereof, upon which it was ordered, that a further conference be requested with the House of Assembly on the subject of the said bill, and that the same committee do manage the same.

A message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Hodgson :

"Mr. President,

"On motion, it was ordered, that the same committee be appointed to meet the committee of his Majesty's Council on the further conference requested by them on the subject of the amendments proposed to the High Road Laws."

"CHARLES DESBRISAY, Clerk H. A.

"Assembly Room, April 17th, 1828."

The Honorable *T. H. Haviland*, from the committee of conference with the House of Assembly on the subject of the proposed amendments to the High Road Laws,—reported the substance thereof.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 1 o'clock.

## FRIDAY, April 18th, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace,*  
*Ambrose Lane,*  
*Thos. H. Haviland,*  
*Charles Worrell.*

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to enable Tenants in Tail to execute Leases and grant terms of years of a long endurance,"—received the second reading, and was ordered to be printed.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for the Encouragement of Education in the different Counties and Districts in this Island,"—received the second reading.

On motion, the bill intituled "an Act to render perpetual an act intituled an act to enable the Justices of the Supreme Court of Judicature to issue Commissions for examining witnesses out of this Island,"—received the second reading.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to continue and alter an act made and passed in the 8th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to revive, alter and continue an act made and passed in the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying a Duty on Tobacco and Tea, and to appropriate the monies hereby granted,"—received the second reading.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.



*SATURDAY, April 19, 1828.*

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace,*  
*Ambrose Lane,*  
*Thos. H. Haviland,*  
*Charles Worrell.*

**P**RAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to continue and alter an act made and passed in the 8th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to revive and continue an act made and passed in the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying a Duty on Tobacco and Tea, and to appropriate the monies hereby granted,"—received the third reading, was passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Hodgson:

"Mr. President,

"The House of Assembly have passed a bill intituled "an act for the further increase of the Revenue by raising a duty of Impost on all Goods, Wares and Merchandizes imported into this Island,"—to which they pray the concurrence of his Majesty's Council."

On motion, the said bill received the first reading.

Adjourned until Monday at 1 o'clock.

*MONDAY, April 21, 1828.*

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace,*  
*Ambrose Lane,*  
*Thomas H. Haviland,*  
*Charles Worrell.*

**P**RAYERS.

Read the proceedings of last meeting.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Mabey.

"Mr. President,

"The House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments proposed by his Majesty's Council to the bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th of the present King, intituled an act to regulate the performance of Statute Labour on the Highways, and to suspend an act made and passed in the 35th year of the late King, intituled an act to alter and amend the High Road Laws."

"The House of Assembly have passed a bill intituled "an act for raising a fund by an Assessment on Land, to defray the expense of erecting a Government House in this Island."

"Also, a bill intituled "an act to continue and alter an act made and passed in the 8th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to revive, alter and continue an act made and passed in the sixth year of his present

Majesty's reign, intituled an act for increasing the Revenue by levying an additional duty on all Wines, Gin, Brandy, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors imported into this Island; and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's Reign, intituled an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act the several Laws made by the General Assembly of this Island relative to the duties of Impost on Wines, Rum, Brandy, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, and for allowing a Drawback upon all Wines, Rum, Brandy, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors exported from this Island, and to appropriate the monies hereby granted,"—to which they pray the concurrence of his Majesty's Council."

On motion, the above bills received the first reading.

The House having taken into consideration the bill intituled "an act for the further increase of the Revenue by raising a duty of Impost on all Goods, Wares and Merchandizes imported into this Island.—

On motion, it was ordered, that a conference be requested with the House of Assembly on the subject thereof and the Hon. *Thomas H. Haviland* and the Hon. *Charles Worrell* be a committee to manage the same instanter in the Grand Jury Room; and that the committee be instructed to state in the said conference, the following reasons which influence his Majesty's Council in their objections to the above bill in its present shape:

1st.—The Impost is to be levied on all Goods, Wares and Merchandize, of what kind or nature soever, with certain exceptions, imported from any place or country whatsoever, which will be in effect directly repugnant to the act 6th Geo: IV. cap. 114.

2d.—The bill has no suspending clause, being, as far as relates to British Goods, contrary to the Royal Instructions.

And that the committee be further instructed to say, His Majesty's Council suggest for the consideration of the House of Assembly the addition of a clause to the following effect, viz: "and be it further enacted, that all Goods, Wares and Merchandize, of what kind or nature soever, hereafter imported into this Island, which are subject and liable to Foreign Duties, under any act of Parliament in force in this Island, shall be subject and liable to the same Impost Duty imposed by this act, over and above any duties payable by virtue of the said act of Parliament."

That a suspending clause be added, and that the act go into operation immediately after his Excellency's Proclamation shall issue of the Royal Assent having been allowed.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Hodgson:

"On motion, it was ordered, that this House do agree to the conference, as requested by his Majesty's Council, on the subject of the bill intituled "an act for the further encrease of the Revenue by raising a Duty of Impost upon all Goods, Wares and Merchandizes imported into this Island,"—and that the *Attorney General*, Mr. *Hodgson* and Mr. *Campbell* be a committee to manage the conference.

CHARLES DESBRISAY, Clerk H. A.

"Assembly Room, 21st April, 1827."

The Honorable *Thos. H. Haviland* from the Committee of Conference with the House of Assembly, reported the substance thereof.

Adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

## TUESDAY, April 22, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President ;

Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
*Ambrose Lane*,  
*Thos. H. Haviland*,  
*Charles Worrell*.

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the bill intituled “an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th year of his present Majesty’s reign, intituled an act for the Encouragement of Education in the different Counties and Districts in this Island,”—received the third reading, and passed, with the following amendments:

In the continuing clause, substitute the word “*Three*” instead of the word “*Ten*,”—and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly for their concurrence.

On motion, the bill intituled “an act to continue and alter an act made and passed in the 8th year of his present Majesty’s reign, intituled an act to revive, alter, and continue an act made and passed in the 6th year of his present Majesty’s reign, intituled an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying an additional Duty on all Wines, Gin, Brandy, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, imported into this Island; and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty’s reign, intituled an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act, the several Laws made by the General Assembly of this Island relative to the duties of Impost on Wines, Rum, Brandy, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors; and for allowing a Drawback upon all Wines, Rum, Brandy, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors exported from this Island; and to appropriate the monies hereby granted,”—received the second and third, reading, passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, the bill intituled “an act to render perpetual an act intituled an act to enable the Justices of the Supreme Court of Judicature to issue Commissions for examining Witnesses out of this Island,”—received the third reading, was passed, and a Message ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly to acquaint them therewith.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o’clock.

## WEDNESDAY, April 23, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
*Ambrose Lane*,  
*Thos. H. Haviland*,  
*Charles Worrell*.

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by the Attorney General:

“Mr. President,

“The House of Assembly have passed the bill intituled “an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th year of his present Majesty’s reign, inti-

tuled an act for the Encouragement of Education in the different Counties and Districts in this Island," with the amendments proposed by his Majesty's Council:—

Also, a bill intituled "an act to alter and amend an act intituled an act for Licencing and Regulating Ferries,"—to which they pray the concurrence of his Majesty's Council."

Adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

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## THURSDAY, April 24, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
*Ambrose Lane*,  
*Thos. H. Haviland*,  
*Charles Worrell*.

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Campbell:

"Mr. President,

"The House of Assembly have passed the bill intituled 'an act for the further increase of the Revenue by raising a Duty of Impost on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandizes imported into this Island', with the amendments proposed by His Majesty's Council."

On motion, the said bill received the second and third reading, and passed, and was ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to alter and amend an act intituled an act for Licencing and regulating Ferries"—received the second and third reading, and was passed, and a message ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly to acquaint them therewith.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

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## FRIDAY, April 25, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
*Ambrose Lane*,  
*Thos. H. Haviland*,  
*Charles Worrell*.

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. McNeill:

"Mr. President,

"The House of Assembly have passed a bill intituled 'an act for appropriating certain monies therein mentioned, for the service of the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight:'"

"Also, a bill intituled 'an act to abolish the usage of Assessing Land within the Parish of Charlotte for the support of the Poor:'"

"And also, a bill intituled 'an act to continue and amend an act made and

passed in the 6th year of His Majesty's reign, intituled an act to limit and ascertain the Jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in matters of Small Debt"—to which they pray the concurrence of His Majesty's Council."

On motion, the said Bills received the first reading.

On motion, it was ordered, that a Conference be requested with the House of Assembly upon the subject of the bill intituled "an act for raising a fund, by an Assessment on Land, to defray the expence of erecting a Government House in this Island,"—and that the Honorable *T. H. Haviland* and the Honorable *Ambrose Lane* be appointed a Committee for that purpose, to meet in the Grand Jury Room instanter, and that the Committee be instructed to propose for the consideration of the House of Assembly the following amendments:

Leave out the word, "*immediate,*" "*by this Assembly,*" after the words six months, fol. 2, "*after this Act shall go into operation,*" leave out "*after the passing of this Act.*"

Folio 4, omit the words "*the passing of this Act*" insert the words *this Act shall go into operation.*

Folio 9, line 8, after the word "*being*" insert the words *by and with the advice of His Majesty's Council.*

Folio 12, line 7, after the word "*shall*" omit all the words following, and insert the words *be of no effect.*—Line 2, after the word 'years' insert the words *from the time of its going into operation.*

Add suspending clause—

Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be of any effect until His Majesty's pleasure shall be known.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to abolish the usage of Assessing Land within the Parish of Charlotte for the support of the Poor"—received the second reading.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act made and passed in the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to limit and ascertain the Jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in matters of Small Debt"—received the second reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Mabey:

"On motion, it was ordered, that this House do agree to the Conference proposed by His Majesty's Council on the subject of the bill intituled "an act for raising a fund, by an Assessment on Land, to defray the expence of erecting a Government House in this Island"—and that *Mr. Campbell*, *Mr. Mabey* and *Mr. McNeill* be a Committee to manage the same.

CHARLES DESBRISAY, Clerk H. A.

"Assembly Room, 25th April, 1828."

The Honorable *Ambrose Lane* from the conference with the House of Assembly, reported the substance thereof.

Adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

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SATURDAY, April 26, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;
 Honorables { *William Pleace,*
 { *Ambrose Lane,*
 { *Thos. H. Haviland,*
 { *Charles Worrell.*

PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Campbell:

“On motion, it was ordered, that a further Conference be requested with His Majesty’s Council on the subject of the bill intituled ‘an act for raising a fund, by an Assessment on Land, to defray the expence of erecting a Government House in this Island’—and that *Mr. Campbell, Mr. Mabey and Mr. M’Neill* be a Committee to manage the same.

“*CHARLES DESBRISAY, Clerk H.A.*”

“Assembly Room, April 26th, 1828.”

On motion, it was ordered, that the Conference be agreed to, as requested by the House of Assembly, and that the same Committee be appointed to manage the same.

The Honorable *Ambrose Lane* from the Committee of Conference with the House of Assembly, reported the substance thereof.

On motion, it was ordered, that a Conference be requested with the House of Assembly on the subject of the Appropriation Bill, and that the Honorable *Thos. H. Haviland* and the Honorable *Charles Worrell* be appointed a Committee to manage the same, and that they be instructed to deliver the following Message:

His Majesty’s Council have been induced to desire this Conference with the House of Assembly on the subject-matter of the Appropriation Bill; from their anxiety to preserve that good understanding between the two branches which is so vitally important to the well-being of the Colony, and which His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor so forcibly referred to at the opening of the Session: it is for this purpose that we are commanded to state for the information of your Honorable House, without relinquishing the right claimed by His Majesty’s Council in their Resolution of the 27th October, 1825, that it was their intention to have waved the privilege there claimed for the present Session, had the present Bill of Appropriation contained no other items of expenditure than those to which His Majesty’s Council would have been inclined to have given their assent had they been submitted separately for their consideration: but at the same time that His Majesty’s Council would be disposed to concede minor points of difference, from the anxious desire they have ever shewn to promote the public welfare, they conceive that their situation in the Government as one of the three Legislative estates, involves a duty the departure from which would be a sacrifice of principle, and that they cannot assent to.

In the first place, His Majesty’s Council, although they claim no right of originating, consider it to be incumbent on them to guard against any appropriations, however desirable, which may exceed the disposable funds of the Colony, and thereby lead to public embarrassment.

And secondly, His Majesty’s Council consider it equally their duty to prevent, if possible, an improvident expenditure.

In support of the necessity of the first assumption, we are instructed to lay before the House of Assembly a statement of the net Revenue raised by the Bills of Supply passed last year, together with the appropriation of the monies arising from these Bills, from which it will appear, that the former amounts to £1428 10s. and the latter to £2161 19s. leaving a deficiency of Revenue to meet the appropriation of £733 9s. for which no provision is made in the present bill.

The items of appropriation in the bill now before the Council embrace 14 distinct and separate applications, amounting in the aggregate to about £2823, and this the House of Assembly propose realizing by a Duty of Impost similar to that which was comprehended in the two bills passed last Session, with the exception of the Duty on Foreign Spirits and Wines, which is 7d per gallon less, and Rum imported direct from the West Indies, which is reduced 1d. per gallon, together with an ad-valorem Duty of 2½ per cent on all Goods, Wares and Merchandize imported into this Island, with certain exceptions, and this Act has yet to receive the Royal Allowance before it can go into operation; from the average of last year, and the present depressed state of Commerce will not admit of a higher calculation, the utmost Revenue that can be expected from the first two mentioned bills will not exceed £1270, the reduction of Duty being equal to about £200; supposing the ad-valorem bill to go into operation, and be in force for a year, which is the time limited, this would cause an addition, at the most sanguine calculation, of £600, which makes the whole Revenue to be raised by the three bills which have passed this Session to amount to £1870, being a less sum by nearly £1000 than is appropriated.

His Majesty’s Council have directed this statement to be made in Conference, under the impression that the House of Assembly will be induced to limit the Bill of Appropriation in such a way that it shall come within the funds at the disposal of the Legislature.

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

“*Mr. President,*

“On motion, it was ordered, that a Message be sent to His Majesty’s Council requesting the bill intituled ‘an act to appropriate certain monies

therein mentioned, for the service of the year of our Lord 1828,—sent to them by this House.”

“*CHARLES DESBRISAY, Clerk H. A.*

“Assembly Room, April 26th, 1828.”

On motion, it was ordered, that a Committee of Privileges be appointed to search for precedents on the above Message; when the Honorable *T. H. Haviland* and *Charles Worrell* were appointed a Committee for that purpose.

On motion, the bill intituled “an act to abolish the usage of Assessing Land within the Parish of Charlotte for the support of the Poor,”—received the third reading, and passed in the negative.

On motion, the bill intituled “an act to continue and amend an act made and passed in the 6th year of His Majesty’s reign, intituled an act to limit and ascertain the Jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in matters of Small Debt”—received the third reading, and was passed, and a message ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly to acquaint them therewith.

THE Committee of Privileges appointed to search for precedents on the Message of the House of Assembly delivered at the Bar of this House by Mr. McNeill, requesting the bill intituled “An Act to appropriate certain monies therein mentioned, for the service of the year of our Lord 1828,”—sent up by the House of Assembly, and now in progress in this House, having received the first reading, and a message requesting a conference with the House of Assembly on the subject-matter of the said bill having been entered upon the Journals of this House, report, that they have in vain sought for a similar application to that made by the House of Assembly in the above message, throughout the practice of the Parliament of Great Britain; no such usage hath been had here, neither do they believe that any such exist in any of His Majesty’s Colonies; and the Committee are therefore of opinion that were the application to be granted, it would be highly unparliamentary, contrary to the established usage in His Majesty’s Colonies, and unprecedented here.

On motion, ordered, that the report be agreed to, and a copy thereof be sent down to the House of Assembly.

Adjourned until Monday at 12 o’clock.

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*MONDAY, April 28, 1828.*

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;  
Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
                  { *Ambrose Lane*,  
                  { *Thomas H. Haviland*,  
                  { *Charles Worrell*.

**PRAYERS.**

Read the proceedings of Saturday.

On motion, it was ordered, that the Committee of Conference on the subject of the Appropriation Bill, be further instructed to state for the information of the House of Assembly, those items of expenditure included in the Appropriation Bill in its present shape which appear to His Majesty’s Council to be most objectionable, and to which they would not be inclined to give their assent:

The allowance to the Members of the Assembly for the present Session,—as His Majesty’s Council conceive that the present depressed state of the funds of the Colony will not admit of so great an increase to the expenditure.

The sums of £40 for School House at Montague River, and allowance to two Schoolmasters,—there being a sum of £320 specifically appropriated to Schools, which is equal to a sixth part of the Revenue contemplated to be realized.

The sum of £250 in aid of the Agricultural Society:—His Majesty’s Council are equally anxious with the House of Assembly to promote the views of this useful establishment, and would willingly assent to this appropriation if the Revenue was equal to it. They suggest £150 in lieu of £250.

The sum of £50 in aid of a Wharf at Prince-Town; His Majesty's Council conceive this Grant at present quite uncalled for, as the settlers at George-Town which has an equal claim to the liberality of the Government, are compelled by their tenures to build their own Wharves.

His Majesty's Council object to the mode of granting the contingencies of the Government otherwise than in the usual way, which is by and with the advice of Council.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Campbell:

"On motion, it was ordered, that this House do agree to the Conference, as requested by His Majesty's Council, on the subject of the bill intituled 'an act for appropriating certain monies therein mentioned, for the service of the year of our Lord, 1828,'—and that Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cambridge and Mr. Mabey by a Committee to manage the same.

"CHARLES DESBRISAY, Clerk H. A.

"Assembly Room, April 28th, 1828."

The Honorable T. H. Haviland from the Committee of Conference with the House of Assembly on the subject of the appropriation bill, reported, that they had met the Committee of the House of Assembly, to which the Attorney General had been added, who produced a written Message to your Committee, in which the Committee of the House of Assembly were prohibited from entering into the discussion of any items included in the Appropriation Bill, thereby preventing your Committee from delivering that part of their instructions relative to the objectionable items contained the said Bill.

On motion, it was ordered, that the bill intituled "an act for appropriating certain monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord, 1828,"—do receive the second and third reading—and upon the question being put, whether the said bill do pass, it passed unanimously in the negative.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, April 29, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

The Hon. George Wright, President ;

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| Honorables | } | William Pleace,    |
|            |   | Ambrose Lane,      |
|            |   | Thos. H. Haviland, |
|            |   | Charles Worrell.   |

PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, ordered, that the bill intituled "an act for appropriating certain monies therein mentioned, for the service of the year of our Lord, 1828,"—be sent down to the House of Assembly with the following Message.

"Mr. Speaker,

"His Majesty's Council, without any intention of intrenching on the privileges of the House of Assembly, have thought it incumbent on them, on the rejection of the Appropriation Bill sent up to them, to state the reasons which have induced them to reject it.

"The bill of appropriation was sent up to His Majesty's Council on Friday last, when it was taken into immediate consideration; and it appearing that the sum appropriated far exceeded the Revenue contemplated to be raised, and that several items of the appropriation were deemed very objectionable, His Majesty's Council, aware that they could not of themselves amend a money bill, and anxious that the bill should not be altogether lost, took, as they conceive, the only constitutional course of explaining their objections to the bill, by requesting a conference with the House of Assembly on the subject-matter of it. The House of Assembly complied with the request of His Majesty's Council. The Committee on going to confer with the Committee of the House of Assembly, were commanded to deliver a written message for the information of the House of Assembly, in which His Majesty's Council, without relinquishing the right claimed by them in their resolution of the 27th



October, 1825, stated it to be their intention to waive the privilege then claimed for the present Session, provided the Bill of Appropriation contained no other items of expenditure than those to which His Majesty's Council would have been inclined to have given their assent had they been submitted separately for their consideration; but at the same time that His Majesty's Council would have been disposed to concede minor points of difference, from their anxious desire to promote the public welfare, they conceived that their situation in the Government involved a duty the departure from which would have been a sacrifice of principle, and that they could not assent to.

"In the first place, His Majesty's Council, although they claimed no right of originating, considered it to be incumbent on them to guard against any appropriations, however desirable, which may exceed the disposable funds of the Colony, and thereby lead to Public embarrassments. And secondly, His Majesty's Council considered it equally their duty to prevent, if possible, an improvident expenditure.

"In support of the necessity of the first assumption, the committee were directed to lay before the House of Assembly, a statement of the net Revenue raised by the Bills of Supply passed last year, together with the appropriation of the monies arising from these bills, from which it would appear, that the former amounted to £1428, and the latter to £2161, leaving a deficiency of Revenue to meet the appropriation of £733, for which no provision is made in the present bill.

"The Committee were further directed to state, that the items of appropriation included in the bill then before the Council amounted in the aggregate to about £2823, which the House of Assembly proposed realizing by a Duty of Impost similar to that which was comprehended in the two bills passed last Session, with the exception of the Duty on Foreign Spirits and Wines, which were 7d. per gallon less, and Rum imported direct from the West Indies, which was reduced 1d. per gallon: To these bills was added an ad-valorem Duty Bill of £2½ per cent on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandizes imported into this Island, with certain exceptions; but the latter had yet to receive the Royal Assent, being a tax on British manufactures; from the average of last year, and the present depressed state of commerce, would not admit of a higher calculation, the utmost Revenue that could be expected from the first two mentioned bills would not exceed £1270, the reduction of duty being equal to about £200: supposing the ad-valorem duty bill to be in operation, this would cause an addition, at the most sanguine calculation, of not more than £600, which would make the Revenue to be raised under the bills which had passed this Session to amount to £1870, being a less sum by nearly £1000 than the House of Assembly had appropriated.

"His Majesty's Council had directed the above statement to be made in conference, under the impression that the House of Assembly would have been induced to have limited and amended the Bill of Appropriation in such a way as to have brought it within the funds at the disposal of the Legislature, and to have met the views of each branch, so that the bill might not be perilled; in furtherance of which, the Committee were directed to state, for the information of the House of Assembly, those items of expenditure included in the Appropriation Bill which appeared to His Majesty's Council the most objectionable, and to which they would not have been inclined to have given their assent.

"The Committee, on their return from the conference, reported, that they had proceeded thus far in delivering the Message of His Majesty's Council, and were about to explain the Objectionable Items, when they were interrupted by the Attorney General, who although not named as one of the Committee in the message delivered at the bar of His Majesty's Council granting a conference, acted as chairman, and produced a written order from the House of Assembly, inhibiting their Committee from entering into any discussion on the items of expenditure, an interference in which, in any way, on the part of the Council, being considered an infringement on their rights and privileges; and he further stated, that the committee were not authorised to receive any message in which any observations were made on the different appropriations.

"His Majesty's Council were thus precluded from offering any exception to the bill, on its merits; although there were many of the 14 items of which it was composed, which His Majesty's Council deemed very exceptionable, and to which the funds at the disposal of the Legislature were very inadequate.

"His Majesty's Council, aware that they could not amend, and having been refused in conference to be heard on their exceptions, conceived it to be their indispensable duty, and conducive to the real interest of the Colony, to return the Bill of Appropriation sent up to them, not concurred in.

J. E. CARMICHAEL, C. C.

A message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. McNeill:

"Mr. President,

"The House of Assembly have passed a bill intituled "an act to alter, amend, and in part repeal an act intituled an act to repeal an act made and passed in the 41st year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for the better regulation of Elections, and to regulate Elections for Members

to serve in General Assembly in future,"—to which they request the concurrence of His Majesty's Council."

On motion, the above bill received the first reading.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, April 30, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
*Ambrose Lanc*,  
*Thomas H. Haviland*,  
*Charles Worrcll*.

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to alter, amend, and in part repeal an act intituled an act to repeal an act made and passed in the 41st year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for the better regulation of Elections, and to regulate Elections for Members to serve in General Assembly in future,"—received the second reading.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

## THURSDAY, May 1, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;

Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
*Ambrose Lane*,  
*Thos. H. Haviland*,  
*Charles Worrell*.

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

A message from the House of Assembly, by the Attorney General:

"The House of Assembly has taken into consideration a Report of the Committee of Privileges of his Majesty's Council, dated April 26th, 1828, stating, that they had received from the House of Assembly a message requesting a bill intituled "an act to appropriate certain monies therein mentioned, for the service of the year of our Lord 1828," sent up by the House of Assembly to the Council; and which report states, that such committee had in vain sought for a similar application to that made by the House of Assembly throughout the practice of the Parliament of Great Britain, and that no such usage had been had here, neither did the committee believe that any such practice existed in any of his Majesty's Colonies, and that the committee were therefore of opinion, that were the application to be granted, it would be highly unparliamentary, contrary to the established usage of his Majesty's Colonies, and unprecedented here.

"This House, however, deems it due to itself, to explain the circumstances under which the message alluded to was sent to His Majesty's Council; and at the same time the House of Assembly cannot omit to express its gratification, that His Majesty's Council should, for the first time, have thought it expedient to refer for precedent to the Parliamentary usages of Great Britain, for which this House has at all times expressed its highest respect, and from the earliest period of the Government has ever followed.

"The House of Assembly has now no occasion to controvert the opinions which are contained in the report alluded to, nor does it claim any right to withdraw from His Majesty's Council any bill, in any stage of its progress through the Council.

"The House of Assembly, however, thinks it right to afford an explanation how any message so new in its nature should have been sent to His Majesty's Council. There were four items of appropriation in the bill alluded to, which in the opinion of the House were irregular, inasmuch as they had not received, before being inserted in the Bill of Appropriation, the recommendation of the Lieutenant Governor. These items are as follow:

"A sum of £20 in aid of the building a School House at Montague River, in St. Andrew's Parish, Lot 53.

"A sum of £10 to Robert Robertson, in aid of the bounty now received by him as School-master of Montague River.

"A sum of £10 to John Shaw, in aid of the bounty now received by him as the School-master of Brudenell.

"A sum of 10 guineas each, to the Commissioners appointed by his Excellency the Lieut. Governor to issue Treasury Notes.

"Whenever these were discovered, a desire was manifested by this House either to withdraw them altogether, or to obtain the sanction of his Excellency's recommendation, of which this House could entertain no doubt, from the fitness and propriety of the items appropriated.

"The House, however, has the satisfaction of knowing that although these items of appropriation had not received the recommendation of the Lieut. Governor prior to their insertion in the bill, yet that during the pendency of the bill in Council, his Excellency was pleased to express his readiness to this House to concur in the fitness of all these items.

"The President of His Majesty's Council and the Speaker of this House had a communication together, in which it was understood and agreed that the Bill of Appropriation should be returned to the Assembly privately, and without any notice of the transaction, in order that the objectionable articles might either be omitted or obtain the requisite recommendation of the Lieut. Governor; but after this understanding, it was intimated by the President of the Council to the Speaker, that that body required from the House of Assembly a message to them to deliver the bill, and it was in consequence of this recommendation that the Message above alluded to was sent to His Majesty's Council.

"The House of Assembly was much divided in opinion as to the constitutional propriety of any such message being sent, but the opinion of the majority was, that as the House had expressed itself very desirous to cultivate a good correspondence with the Council, and had in several of their money bills evinced a strong disposition that way, it was thought that the House might so far yield to the suggestion of the President of His Majesty's Council as to send the message, which it did accordingly.

"The message was an invited message, and was one which this House had little reason to expect would have met such a return as that which has been given it by the Report of the Committee of Privileges of the Council. It was done with no view to introduce new practices in the intercourse of the two branches of the Legislature, but solely with the view to promote the public service, and to cultivate a good understanding with the Council, which was so strongly recommended by the Lieutenant Governor in his speech at the opening of the Session. How this disposition has been met by His Majesty's Council, the report in question will sufficiently shew. The Council have, through their President, sought a communication from the House of Assembly, and when that communication is received, the Council treat it as an irregular and unparliamentary course.

"The House of Assembly has only to lament, that in its eager desire to transact the business of the public it should have been thus met, and that its departure from the common usages of intercourse between the two branches of the Legislature, so confidentially invited, should be converted into an instrument wherewith to charge the House of Assembly with irregular and unparliamentary practices."

"On motion, Ordered, that the foregoing answer to the Message of His Majesty's Council, with the Report of their Committee of Privileges, bearing date the 26th April, 1828, be sent up to His Majesty's Council.

WILLIAM CULLEN, Clerk, H. A.

"Assembly Room, April 30, 1828."

The following Message was sent down to the House of Assembly:

"His Majesty's Council having taken into consideration the Message of the House of Assembly on the Report of the Committee of Privileges of His Majesty's Council, delivered at the bar of that House: and having conferred with his Honor the President on the subject of the conversation alleged in the above message to have taken place between the Speaker of the House of Assembly and the President of his Majesty's Council on the appropriation bill:

"His Honor stated to the House, that he at no time intimated to the Speaker of the House of Assembly that His Majesty's Council required from that House a message to them to deliver the Appropriation Bill, neither did he make any communication the import of which would bear any such interpretation.

"His Majesty's Council therefore, regret that the Speaker should have so misconstrued any unauthorised conversation, as to have caused the House of Assembly to reflect on the

liberality of His Majesty's Council in a statement so unfounded as that contained in the Message delivered at the Bar of this House by the Attorney General.

"On motion, ordered, that a copy of the above be sent down to the House of Assembly.  
J. E. CARMICHAEL, C. C.

"Council Chamber, May 1st, 1828."

Adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

## FRIDAY, May 2, 1828.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT.

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;  
Honorables { *William Pleace*,  
                  { *Ambrose Lane*,  
                  { *Thos. H. Haviland*,  
                  { *Charles Worrell*.

### PRAYERS.

Read the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the bill intituled "an act to regulate the laying out and altering of Highways, and to provide the method of obtaining compensation for those who may thereby be injured, and to cause those who are benefited thereby to contribute towards their formation,"—received the second reading.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the Election Bill.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by the Attorney General: which was ordered to be entered on the Journals.

"The House of Assembly has taken into consideration the Message of His Majesty's Council, containing the grounds and reasons which have induced them to reject a bill appropriating the supplies granted by the House of Assembly to his Majesty, during the present Session.

"The House of Assembly cannot help being struck with the novelty of the practice now adopted by His Majesty's Council, of assigning for the consideration of this House their reasons for either assenting or dissenting to any bill which the Assembly may have sent them; and to express the opinion of the House, that such a practice is of very evil tendency, and is ill calculated to promote the service of His Majesty and of the Colony. Neither the one nor the other can be served by a war of Manifestos.

"The House of Assembly consented to a conference requested by His Majesty's Council on the subject of the Appropriation Bill, hoping that some verbal amendment in the bill might have been all that the Council would have suggested; but instead of this the Committee of the House of Assembly was met by that of the Council with a laboured paper to revive claims of the Council in matters of supply, which this House was willing to hope, and indeed had been led to expect, were now extinct. But the Committee of the Council endeavoured, from the same paper, to convince the Committee of this House, not only that the amount of the appropriations exceeded the revenue that could be raised from the bills of supply, and that the calculations of this House on that subject were quite erroneous, but that various items of the appropriation were themselves unfit. The Committee, however, of this House had previously been instructed to enter into no discussion on this latter subject, as one quite inconsistent with the exclusive rights and privileges of this House in matters of supply. The Committee of this House, very properly, abided by its instructions, and would entertain no discussion on the items of appropriation.

"The Message of His Majesty's Council appears only to be an enlargement of that which its Committee of Conference had been directed to read to the Committee of the House of Assembly, and this House can consider such message in no other light than a deliberate attack on its rights and privileges.

"The Revenue Bills for the year have been very carefully considered by the House of Assembly, in all their bearings and relations, and it is perfectly satisfied that the revenue to be raised is commensurate with the proposed expenditure of the Colony, and of this the House of Assembly takes leave to say that it is the sole judge.

"The House of Assembly cannot help noticing that part of the Message of H. M. Council which intimates that the appropriations of the Assembly may exceed the disposable funds of the Colony, and thereby lead to public embarrassment, and that it is the duty of the Council to prevent, if possible, an improvident expenditure.

"The House of Assembly may remark on this, that hitherto there has been no excess of the disposable funds of the Colony; and no such public embarrassment as is predicted has arisen, neither, according to all probable and judicious calculation, is there the most distant risk that such should arise; and this House thinks that the remarks of the Council upon improvident expenditure might well have been spared, and is hardly consistent with that decent courtesy of intercourse which once prevailed between the two branches of the Legislature.

"The House of Assembly does not deem it either necessary or compatible with its privileges to enter into any discussion with His Majesty's Council on specific items of expenditure, but would beg leave to remind that Honourable body, that the large Revenue which has been permanently granted by this House to His Majesty, is, in a very great part of it, yet open to its appropriation, and although this House does not deem it expedient under the constitutional administration of the present Lieut. Governor, specifically to appropriate it, yet the period may arrive when the House of Assembly will feel itself called upon to exercise its controul over it.

"This House cannot leave the Message of His Majesty's Council without noticing the singular impropriety of their having remarked individually on a member of the Committee of Conference sent by this House to meet that of the Council, insinuating as if that member had been no regular part of the Committee, which they did know to be quite contrary to the fact, and of which their Committee of Conference was distinctly and fully informed.

"The House of Assembly will now conclude by observing, that it questions not the undoubted right of His Majesty's Council to reject the Bill of Appropriation, or any other bill which may be presented to them by the Assembly, nor can it constitutionally enquire why or wherefore they do so; but as His Majesty's Council have been pleased to assign their reasons for the adoption of so unusual a course as intercepting His Majesty's supplies for the use of the Island, and thereby stopping all the public works so requisite in a young country, this House cannot but express its entire dissent from a measure so replete with impolicy, and so entirely at variance with the best interests of the Colony.

"On motion, ordered, that the foregoing answer to the Message of His Majesty's Council brought down to this House by their Clerk with the Appropriation Bill, be sent up to the Council.

WILLIAM CULLEN, Clerk H. A.

"Assembly Room, May 1st, 1828."

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Owen: which, on motion, was ordered to be entered on the Journals.

"The House of Assembly regrets that the misconstruction attributed to its Speaker of the unauthorised communication between him and His Honor the President of His Majesty's Council touching the Appropriation Bill should have taken place; and should have induced His Majesty's Council to tax the House of Assembly with making an unfounded statement, a charge which, the House is of opinion, might with more justice be applied to the statement of His Majesty's Council.

"On motion, ordered, that a copy of the above be sent to His Majesty's Council, in reply to their communication, dated May 1st, 1828.

WILLIAM CULLEN, Clerk H. A.

"Assembly Room, May 2d, 1828."

On motion, it was ordered, that a Message be sent to the House of Assembly to acquaint them that His Majesty's Council decline transacting any further business with that House until the Message sent up by Mr. Owen be expunged from their Journals.

On motion, it was ordered, that the President be requested to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, and respectfully acquaint him with the determination of this House.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

*SATURDAY, May 3, 1828.*

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *George Wright*, President;  
 Honorables { *William Pleace,*  
                   *Ambrose Lane,*  
                   *Thos. H. Haviland,*  
                   *Charles Worrell.*

**P**RAYERS.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by the Attorney General:

“The House of Assembly has taken into its consideration a Message from His Majesty’s Council, bearing date yesterday, importing that they would decline transacting further business with this House until it would expunge from its journals a message sent by it on the same day to the Council.

“This House laments that a misunderstanding on a point of fact between the President of His Majesty’s Council and the Speaker, in a verbal communication, should lead either the Council or Assembly into a difference with each other. The Houses, respectively, gave credence to the report of their own officer, and it was hoped by the Assembly, that a like confidence might have been expressed by it in the statement of its own Speaker as His Majesty’s Council had previously expressed in that of their President; and the House trusted that in so doing no offence was meant or given to His Majesty’s Council.

“The House of Assembly cannot but regret that his Majesty’s Council should have so far forgotten what is due to the Assembly, and indeed to themselves, as to demand from this House that it should expunge from its journals that or any other record of its proceedings; a demand equally intemperate and unparliamentary, and one with which the Council never could have hoped that this House would comply. Still less ought His Majesty’s Council to have expected a compliance with any demand accompanied by a threat to this House.

“The House of Assembly holds it a duty it owes to itself and the Country it represents, to tell His Majesty’s Council that its demand is rejected, and that its threat has had no other effect on this House than to create a feeling of regret and mortification that His Majesty’s Council should have hazarded a proposal to this House so derogatory to its rights and privileges.

WILLIAM CULLEN, Clerk H. A.

“Assembly Room, May 3d, 1828.

Adjourned until Monday at 1 o’clock.

*MONDAY, May 5, 1828.*

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

*PRESENT.*

The Hon. *S. G. W. Archibald*, President;  
 Honorables { *George Wright,*  
                   *William Pleace,*  
                   *Ambrose Lane,*  
                   *Thos. H. Haviland,*  
                   *Charles Worrell.*

His Excellency having come to the House, and being seated, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod received His Excellency’s command to acquaint the House of Assembly, that it is His Excellency’s pleasure that they do attend him in the Council Chamber instanter; who being come, with their Speaker, His Excellency gave his assent to the following bills:

III. A bill intituled “an act for Establishing the Standard Weight of Grain and Pulse, and for appointing proper officers for measuring and weighing the same.”

IV. A bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for the Encouragement of Education in the different Counties and Districts in this Island."

V. A bill intituled "an act to alter and amend an act intituled an act for licencing and regulating Ferries."

VI. A bill intituled "an act to render perpetual an act intituled an act to enable the Justices of the Supreme Court of Judicature to issue Commissions for examining Witnesses out of this Island."

VII. A bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to prevent the running at large of Boar Pigs, and to restrain Swine from going at large without Rings."

VIII. A bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act of the 6th of the present King, intituled an act to regulate the performance of Statute Labour on the Highways, and to suspend an act made and passed in the 35th year of the late King, intituled an act to alter and amend the High Road Laws."

IX. A bill intituled "an act to continue and amend an act made and passed in the 6th year of His present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to limit and ascertain the Jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in matters of Small Debt."

X. A bill intituled "an act to continue and alter an act made and passed in the 8th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to revive, alter, and continue an act made and passed in the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying an additional Duty on all Wines, Gin, Brandy, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, imported into this Island; and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act, the several Laws made by the General Assembly of this Island relative to the duties of Impost on Wines, Rum, Brandy, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors; and for allowing a Drawback upon all Wines, Rum, Brandy, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors exported from this Island; and to appropriate the monies hereby granted."

XI. A bill intituled "an act to continue and alter an act made and passed in the 8th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to revive, alter and continue an act made and passed in the 6th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying a Duty on Tobacco and Tea, and to appropriate the monies hereby granted."

XII. A bill intituled "an act for the further increase of the Revenue by raising a Duty of Impost on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandizes imported into this Island."

His Excellency was then pleased to close the Session with the following Speech:

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

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

"When I called you together for the dispatch of business, I stated to you my conviction of the importance to the welfare of the Colony that a friendly and confidential intercourse should exist between the two branches of the Legislature, and earnestly recommended you, severally to adopt that temperate and conciliatory course in your deliberations, so essentially necessary to the due discharge of your public duties. It is with great reluctance I feel compelled to say that I have been disappointed. I beg, Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly, to return you my thanks

for your readiness in voting the supplies, and have to regret that no Bill of Appropriation has been agreed upon to make those supplies available for the present year. The administration of the Government will by this step be much embarrassed; and the country, at least for a time, deprived of the benefit arising from the sums voted for the promotion of several objects of internal improvement. Under these untoward circumstances, I shall use my best endeavours to conduct the Government with undiminished zeal for the public good, sincerely hoping that whenever I am enabled again to call the Legislature for the dispatch of business, it will meet with a disposition to come to a right understanding on all points of difference between them."

The President of His Majesty's Council then said—

"It is His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's will and pleasure, that this General Assembly should be prorogued,—and this General Assembly is prorogued accordingly until Tuesday the 17th day of June next."

GOD SAVE THE KING.