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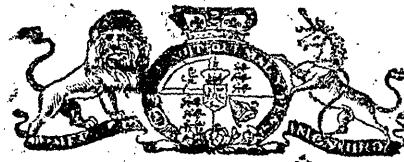
**PROCEEDINGS**

**OF**

**The House of Assembly,**

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## PROCLAMATION.

BY 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 Dependen-  
cies, &c. &c. &c.*

**JAMES KEMPT,**  
(L. S.)

**W**HEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Thursday, the 13th day of December next :

I HAVE THOUGHT FIT further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 14th day of February next, then to meet for the despatch 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 20th day of November, 1821, in the Second year of His Majesty's Reign.*

By His Excellency's Command,

**RUPERT D. GEORGE.**

**GOD SAVE THE KING.**

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# JOURNAL AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

## The House of Assembly,

OF

### THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA.

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*Thursday, 14th February, 1822.*

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

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

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

And being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended His Excellency 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**N the course of the last Summer, I had the satisfaction of visiting a considerable portion of the Province; and I was particularly gratified to observe a spirit of increasing industry, and of Agricultural emulation, extending rapidly among all classes of the Inhabitants.

In some Districts considerable distress is unfortunately felt, occasioned by the great depreciation, which Property of all kinds has experienced within these two years; but embarrassments, arising from the same cause, are felt in the Mother Country, and indeed, in every part of the World with which we have any Commercial Communication.

Such evils, however, though very serious and distressing to individuals, are not unfrequently productive of some eventual good. We have the happiness of living in a Country, where Taxes are little known; and where, under the paternal protection of a powerful Empire, every man may securely enjoy the fruits of his labor and industry without public burthens of any kind to check his exertions. The Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia are, I am persuaded, not insensible of this great blessing: Indeed, the difficulties which are now experienced, have already called forth increased exertions on their part; and will tend, I hope, firmly to establish, in all classes of the community, habits of economy, prudence and industry; the possession of which inestimable virtues, cannot fail to secure to the Inhabitants of this young and growing Country, Independence and Happiness.

*Mr.*

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

I shall direct the Public Accounts to be immediately laid before you ; and I hope you will be fully satisfied, upon an examination of them, that the Supplies granted to His Majesty in the last Session of the Legislature, have been faithfully applied ; and that due attention has been paid to economy in the expenditure of the Monies placed at my disposal.

I shall also direct the Estimate of the Civil Establishment for the present year to be submitted to you : fully relying upon your attention in providing for the Expenses necessary for the support of His Majesty's Government.

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

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

While Agricultural knowledge and improvements are happily extending over the Province, I regret exceedingly, that our Commerce and Fisheries continue to experience considerable depression ; influenced, no doubt, by the embarrassments now so generally felt throughout the Commercial World.

The Provincial Revenue, being almost entirely raised from duties on Importations, has been very sensibly affected by the diminution of our Trade, and the Receipts of the last year are considerably less than those of the preceding.—It is satisfactory, however, to observe, that, though diminished, the Revenue is still amply sufficient, with the aid given by the Mother Country, to defray all the Expenses of the Colonial Government, as well as to discharge with punctuality the Interest of its Funded Paper—leaving a surplus applicable to such purposes as may best promote the public welfare. Our means, however, being limited, a prudent and judicious application of them becomes the more necessary ; but, in the wisdom of your united deliberations, I have every confidence ; and you may rely upon my cordial co-operation and continued exertions in promoting and carrying into effect, every measure that may appear to me conducive to the prosperity of the Province, and to the happiness of its People.

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

*Ordered,* That Mr. Lawson, Mr. Albro, Mr. Robertson, Mr. W. A. Chipman, and Mr. Wells, 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. Uniacke, Mr. O'Brien, and Mr. Robert Dickson, be a Committee to examine into, and report on, the expiring Laws.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Wells, Mr. Flemming, Mr. Wier, and Mr. Ruggles, be a Committee of Privileges.

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill, in addition to an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova Scotia, to the Island of Cape Breton ; 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 three of the Clock.

*Friday, 15th February, 1822.*

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill, Deputy Clerk of the Council :

Mr. Speaker,

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

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech, that they 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.*

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

*May it please Your Excellency,*

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

To your Excellency we are highly indebted for your exertions in visiting the different parts of the Province ; and it affords us much satisfaction to learn that your Excellency has been gratified with the increased industry of its Inhabitants, and the growing improvement of the Country.

The great depreciation in the value of Property of all kinds, has, in many parts of the Country, occasioned much individual distress ; but we are happy to observe that the difficulties experienced by the People of this Province, have already had the effect of calling forth additional exertions on their part, and also of introducing habits of economy and prudence, which, under the blessing of Heaven, cannot fail to secure them happiness and independence.

We are fully sensible of the great blessings secured to us by our happy Constitution, supported by the powerful protection of the Parent State ; under it we enjoy in safety the fruits of our industry, and we assure your Excellency of our warmest gratitude to our beloved Sovereign, for his paternal care over us, and to your Excellency, for the wise and impartial administration of the Government, which His Majesty has been graciously pleased to commit to your charge.

We thank your Excellency for directing the Public Accounts to be laid before us, at an early period of the Session, with the Estimate of the Civil Establishment for the present year, and your Excellency may rely on our providing for the necessary Expenses of His Majesty's Government.

We regret, with your Excellency, the depression experienced in our Commerce and Fisheries, which partake in the general embarrassment felt at this period throughout the Commercial World ; but we are happy to learn that our Provincial Revenue, although much less than in former years, is yet sufficient, aided by the Mother Country, to provide with economy for the expenses incidental to the Government of the Province.

We agree with your Excellency, that there is great necessity for a prudent and judicious application of our limited means ; and your Excellency may be assured that every measure, which may appear conducive to the prosperity of the Province, shall command our early and serious deliberations ; and we beg your Excellency to accept our most sincere thanks for the assurance of your cordial co-operation to render them effectual.

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

*Ordered,* That the Committee who prepared the Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, be a Committee to wait on His Excellency to know his pleasure when he will be attended by the House.

*Ordered,* That no Petition, of a private nature, be received after Friday the 8th day of March next.

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

*Saturday,*

*Saturday, 16th February, 1822.*

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PRAYERS.

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

Mr. Speaker, and the House, attended His Excellency with their Address, pursuant to the Resolution of yesterday.

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,*

I return you my very sincere thanks for this Address. The sentiments conveyed in it afford me particular satisfaction; and your serious attention to the dispatch of the important business which may come under your deliberation, will enable me, I hope, to relieve you at an early period from your attendance in General Assembly.

JAMES KEMPT.

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

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*Monday, 18th February, 1822.*

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PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House the several Papers following, viz.

A Copy of a Letter from the President of His Majesty's Council and Mr. Speaker, to Mr. Atcheson, Agent of the Province, dated Halifax, 18th April, 1821, enclosing a Copy of the Resolution of the House of Assembly, passed in the last Session, respecting Jennings and Long.

A Letter from Mr. Atcheson, to the President of the Council, and Mr. Speaker, dated London, 12th June, 1821: acknowledging the receipt of the above Letter.

A Letter from Mr. Atcheson, to the President of the Council, and Mr. Speaker, dated London, 14th July, 1821: on the same subject.

A Letter from Mr. Atcheson, to Mr. Speaker, dated London, 6th December, 1820: on the subject of the Custom-House.

A Letter from Mr. Atcheson, to the President of the Council, and Mr. Speaker, dated London, 6th March, 1821: on the subject of Timber Duties.

A Letter from Mr. Atcheson, to Mr. Speaker, dated London, 27th March, 1821: on the subject of the Custom-House.

A Letter from Mr. Atcheson, to the President of the Council, and Mr. Speaker, dated London, 27th March, 1821, on the subject of Timber Duties. Also, two several other Letters from Mr. Atcheson, addressed as above, dated London, the 6th April, and 6th June, 1821, on the said subject.

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.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved,* That this House will, to-morrow, take into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, at the opening of the present Session.

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

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*Tuesday,*

Tuesday, 19th February, 1822.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Lawson presented to the House an Account of Mr. Treasurer Wallace, of all Monies received by him into, and payments by him made from, the Provincial Treasury, between the 1st of January and 31st of December, 1821; also,

A Report from the Auditor of Public Accounts, of the expenditure of the several sums of Money granted for the service of the Roads and Bridges throughout the Province, in the year 1821; and also,

An Abstract of Payments made to the Treasury, on account of the Provincial Loan, to King's County and the County of Annapolis, between the 1st of January and the 31st of December, 1821.

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

On motion, the Order of the Day was read, and the House having proceeded to the consideration of the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, thereupon,

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Saturday next, proceed to the further consideration of His Excellency's Speech.

A Petition of David Williams, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, setting forth, that the Petitioner is an Insolvent Debtor, with a large helpless family depending on him for their support, and at present confined in the County Jail of Halifax, and praying the House would take his deplorable situation into consideration, and afford him such relief as to them may seem fit.

A Petition of David Henry Gifner, was presented by Mr. W. A. Chipman, and read, setting forth, that the Petitioner has invented a new method of distilling Spirits from Grain, and other Articles the product of the Province, and praying that the said Article may be exempt from the payment of the Provincial Duty, of Six-pence per Gallon.

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

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

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

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

**W**ITH reference to the joint Address of His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly, presented to me in the last Session of the Legislature, on the subject of the Plaster of Paris Trade of this Province, I have much satisfaction in acquainting you that the Acts of the Province of New-Brunswick, therein complained of, have been repealed. JAMES KEMPT.

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

**I** HEREWITH lay before you a Copy of a Letter, which I have received from the Earl Bathurst, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated the 30th June last, stating that certain Acts, thirty-four in number, passed by the Legislature of this Province, in the year 1818, had been submitted to the consideration of the Privy Council, and did not appear liable to any objection.

I also lay before you Copies of two Orders of the King's Most Excellent Majesty, in Council, bearing date the 9th June, transmitted to me by Earl Bathurst, the one signifying His Majesty's approbation of an Act, passed in the year 1819, to "Raise a sum of Money, not exceeding Nine Thousand Pounds, by Lottery, for the purpose of building a Bridge over the River Avon, at the Point of Rocks, so called, between Windsor and Falmouth, in the County of Hants." And the other, declaring His Majesty's disallowance of three Acts, passed in 1818 and 1819, entitled, as follow, viz.

An Act for the improvement of the Common of Halifax;

An Act relating to Marriages, and the issuing of Marriage Licenses;

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An Act for appointing Clerks to the Supreme Court, and Inferior Courts of Common Pleas, in the several Counties and Districts of the Province.

JAMES KEMPT.

Mr. Secretary George also delivered to the House, by order of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the undermentioned Papers, referred to in His Excellency's Message, viz.

A Copy of a Letter from Earl Bathurst, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, dated, Downing Street, 30th June, 1821.

Copies of two Orders of the King's Most Excellent Majesty, in Council, dated, 9th June, 1821.

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

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

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

*Wednesday, 20th February, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

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

On motion of Mr. Haliburton, *resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means; and thereupon, the House resolved itself into a Committee of Ways and Means accordingly.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Poole took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Ways and Means, which Report the House agreed to.

Mr. Fraser, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to remove certain disabilities which His Majesty's Subjects, professing the Popish Religion, now labour under in this Province; and the same was read a first time.

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

A Petition of Lemuel Hobbs, Senr. and others, Inhabitants of Argyle, was presented by Mr. Poole, and read, praying that a Bridge may not be built over the Narrows of the River Abuptic, in the said Settlement, for which a sum of Money was granted by the Legislature in the last Session, for reasons set forth in the Petition.

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

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

*Thursday, 21st February, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

A Petition of Thomas Logan, an Insolvent Debtor, confined in the County Jail of Halifax, was presented by Mr. W. A. Chipman, and read, praying relief.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Bill in addition to an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia, to the island of Cape-Breton; and also,

The Bill to remove certain disabilities which His Majesty's Subjects, professing the Popish Religion, now labour under, in this Province, be severally read a second time to-morrow.

A Petition of the Magistrates and Grand Jury of the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. Marshall, and read, praying a Law may be passed to authorise the Sale of the old Court-House and Jail

Jail at Guysborough, a new Court-House and Jail having been provided for the accommodation of the said County.

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

On motion of Mr. Haliburton, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Poole 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 the several Duties, payable on Articles imported from the United States of America, as imposed by the Act of the last Session, be continued.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the following additional Duties should be imposed on Live Stock, and other articles, to be imported from the United States of America, Viz :

For and upon every Horse, Mare, or Gelding, Ten Shillings.

For and upon every Ox, over three years old, Five Shillings.

For and upon every Sheep, Two Shillings and Six Pence.

For and upon every Barrel of Apples or Pears, Two Shillings and Six Pence.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a Duty of two pence in the pound, should be imposed upon every pound weight of Hops, imported into this Province.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a Duty should be imposed on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, imported into this Province from the United States of America, and sold by Non-residents.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee, to move for leave to sit again, on the consideration of Ways and Means, 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; and thereupon,

Mr. Grassie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to impose a Duty on Goods imported from the United States of America, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Marshall, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for promoting the settlement and improvement of the Wilderness Land of the Province, and the same was read a first time.

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

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

*Friday, 22d February, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill for promoting the settlement and improvement of the Wilderness Land of the Province; and also,

A Bill to impose a Duty on Goods imported from the United States of America, were severally read a second time.

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

A Petition of the Trustees of the National School, in Halifax, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read: praying for a pecuniary aid towards the support of that Establishment.

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

Pursuant to order, a Bill, in addition to an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly,

bly, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton, was read a second time; and thereupon,

Mr. W. H. Roach 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, Twenty-one; against it, Ten:

For the Motion:

Mr. W. H. Roach,  
Mr. Church,  
Mr. Denison,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. Bishop,  
Mr. Wells,  
Mr. W. A. Chipman,  
Mr. Ruggles,  
Mr. Young,  
Mr. Robertson,  
Mr. Ritchie,

Mr. Marshall,  
Mr. Wier,  
Mr. Campbell,  
Mr. Fraser,  
Mr. Haliburton,  
Mr. Sargent,  
Mr. W. Dickson,  
Mr. Albro,  
Mr. Grassie,  
Mr. R. Dickson,

Against the Motion:

Mr. Poole,  
Mr. Freeman,  
Mr. Lawson,  
Mr. J. I. Chipman,  
Mr. Fleming,  
Mr. Uniacke,  
Mr. T. Dickson,  
Mr. Archibald,  
Mr. Dewolf,  
Mr. McKinnon.

So it passed in the affirmative.

Pursuant to order, a Bill, to remove certain disabilities which His Majesty's Subjects, professing the Popish Religion, now labour under in this Province, was read a second time.

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

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend and continue the Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the several Acts, now in force, for encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province; and the same was read a first time.

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

Then the House adjourned until Tomorrow, at half-past twelve of the Clock.

*Saturday, 23d February, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to continue an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on Articles imported from the United States of America, and to impose additional Duties on Articles herein enumerated; and the same was read a first time; and thereupon,

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.

Mr. Secretary George acquainted the House, that he had a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, signed by His Excellency, and he presented the said Message to the House, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows, viz:

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

**T**HE Legislature having, in their last Session, granted a sum of Money, to be expended under my direction, towards the obtaining of an actual Survey of the Lines and Boundaries of the several Counties and Districts of the Province: I lost no time in giving the necessary instructions to the Surveyor-General, to carry that important service into effect, to the extent of the means placed at my disposal.

The most efficient Surveyors were accordingly selected for this Service, and I have much pleasure in acquainting you, that, after carefully examining their plans, and the accounts of their proceedings,

ceedings, I have reason to be satisfied with the manner in which they have executed the judicious instructions given to them by the Surveyor-General, for their guidance upon the occasion.

As a part only of the money appropriated for this Service has been laid out, it might not perhaps be expected that I should furnish you with a Statement of the manner in which that part has been applied, until after the expenditure of the whole Sum, but as the subject must be an extremely interesting one to all concerned, for the welfare of the Province, I take an early opportunity of making known to the House of Assembly, what has already been done under my directions, towards the accomplishment of an actual Survey of the Province; for this purpose, I herewith lay before the House, a Copy of a Report which I have received from the Surveyor-General, under whose immediate superintendance the service has been performed.

It has, so far as I am capable of judging, been faithfully and economically executed, and I trust that the other branches of the Legislature, coinciding with me in that opinion, will be disposed to grant a further sum, for the gradual completion of that most important object, an accurate Survey of the whole Province.

Mr. Secretary George, also delivered to the House, by order of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the undermentioned Papers, referred to in His Excellency's Message, viz.

A Letter from the Surveyor-General, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, relating to the Boundary lines of the County of Halifax. Also,

A Copy of the Report, made by the Surveyor-General to His Excellency, of the Surveys and descriptions of County Lines, with a statement of the expense attending the same.

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

*Ordered,* That the Message, and 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. W. Dickson took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to remove certain disabilities, which his Majesty's Subjects, professing the Popish Religion, now labour under, in this Province. And also, the Bill to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on Articles imported from the United States of America, and to impose additional Duties on articles herein enumerated, 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 impose a Duty on Goods imported from the United States of America, and had made several amendments to the said Bill, 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 to them referred, which the House agreed to.

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

The amendments to the Bill to impose a Duty on Goods imported from the United States of America, were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

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

A Bill to amend and continue an Act, passed in last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the several Acts now in force, for encouraging the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province, was read a second time.

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

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 28th February, 1821, as follow, viz.

- A proposed Scale of appropriation for the Society, for the year 1822, amounting to £1250.
- An account of the expenditure of the grant of £1000, to the Society, for the year 1820.
- An account of the partial expenditure of the grant of £1250, to the Society, for the year 1821.
- A Letter from the Secretary of the Provincial Agricultural Society, to Mr. Speaker, dated 23d February, 1822, enclosing the before noticed 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. Marshall, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for granting certain bounties on Wheat and fine flour, raised and produced within this Province, and the same was read a first time.

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

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

*Resolved,* That this House will, on Monday next, proceed to the further consideration of the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

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

*Monday, 25th February, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill for granting certain bounties on Wheat and fine Flour, raised and produced within this Province, was read a second time.

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

An engrossed Bill to continue An Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on Articles imported from the United States of America, and to impose additional duties on Articles therein mentioned, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Mr. Archibald moved that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative, and the said Bill was re-committed to a Committee of the whole House accordingly.

An engrossed Bill to impose a Duty on Goods imported from the United States of America, was read third time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to impose a Duty on Goods imported into this Province.

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

Snow Parker, Esq. returned duly elected as a Member for the County of Queen's County, 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 Honourable James Stewart, one of the Commissioners appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Lawton 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

£ 8,488 7 34

*Collectors of Impost & Excise.*

*Halifax.*

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

£ 18,657 11 11

Ditto in the hands of the Attorney-General

3,534 12 0

22,192 3 11

*Liverpool.*

**Liverpool.**

His Accounts, to the 31st December last, have been received, after deducting a charge of  $L.1$  for Express with his Accounts, and correcting several errors, he is accountable for  $L.4136 \ 14 \ 2\frac{1}{2}$   
 Balance of Bonds in the Attorney-General's hands, as reported for several years past  $384 \ 10 \ 2\frac{1}{2}$

L.20680 11 2½

4521 4 5

**Lunenburg.**

The late Collector's Accounts have been received to the 4th January, 1821, and are correct.

Balance of Bonds in his hands  $L.3131 \ 17 \ 1$

Quarterly Returns have been received to the 30th June last, by which there appears to have been secured the sum of  $650 \ 7 \ 2$

$L.3,782 \ 4 \ 3$

By the Treasurer's Account he has paid him  $357 \ 6 \ 3$

Independent of September and December Quarters, he is accountable for this sum  $L.3,424 \ 18 \ 0$

The Administrators of the late Robert Bethel, still remain accountable, as reported for several years past  $137 \ 19 \ 8$

Ditto Ditto Robert Bolman  $143 \ 1 \ 9\frac{1}{2}$

2705 19 5½

**Shelburne.**

His Accounts, to the 31st December last, have been received and are correct. Balance in his hands  $L.381 \ 18 \ 3$

Bonds in the hands of the Attorney-General, still remain as reported for several years past  $309 \ 1 \ 3\frac{1}{2}$

690 19 6½

**Yarmouth.**

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

1012 5 10½

**Annapolis.**

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

1464 9 0

**Pictou.**

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

800 1 4

**King's County.**

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

728 0 6½

**Colchester.**

No Accounts or Returns have appeared up to the 19th July, 1820, though his appointment took place in July, 1817. An Account and Returns have been received from the above date to the 31st December, 1820, incorrect and improperly stated: it appears he has received and secured Duties to the amount of  $L.312 \ 5 \ 11$

By the Treasurer's Account, he has paid him  $L.22$ , his Commission on this sum,  $L.3 \ 6 \ 0$

Drawbacks allowed  $81 \ 8 \ 2$

$L.106 \ 14 \ 2$

205 11 9

No Accounts or Returns for the last year; the former Collector remains accountable for the amount reported several years past  $L.337 \ 10 \ 0$

$L.337 \ 10 \ 0$

**Windsor.**

The Collector's Accounts, to the 31st December last, have been received. Balance in his hands

141 17 4

The Treasurer reports that since his Accounts he has received  $L.36 \ 1 \ 1\frac{1}{2}$

The Balance due on Plaster Paris Bonds, remains as reported for several years past  $4477 \ 12 \ 6$

**Cumberland.**

No Accounts or Returns; it appears he has paid the Treasurer

$L.5 \ 1 \ 6$

Ditto by Thomas Roach, Esq.

$11 \ 10 \ 0$

Ditto by William White

$5 \ 0 \ 0$

$L.21 \ 11 \ 6$

Balance remaining, as reported for several years past

$L.274 \ 10 \ 0$

**Cape Breton.**

His Accounts to the 30th September last, have been received. Balance in his hands

392 13 5

He has remitted an Order for  $L.10$ , not yet received by the Treasurer

$L.44,343 \ 13 \ 10\frac{1}{2}$

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**LOAN-OFFICES.****King's County.**

Accounts have been received to the 31st December, 1820, the Commissioners have Securities in their hands for L.4960 0 0  
Interest due to the 31st December, 1821 297 12 0

5,257 12 0

**Annapolis.**

Accounts have been received to the 31st December, 1820, the Commissioners have Securities in their hands for L.488 15 0  
Interest due to the 31st December, 1821 293 6 6

5,182 1 6

**Province Notes.**

Balance in Circulation the 31st December, 1820 L.58227 10 0  
Delivered by the Commissioners to the Treasurer 8000 0 0

L.66,227 10 0

Amount of Notes torn, and defaced, and destroyed by the Committee L.1250 0 0  
Amount of Notes Cancelled and Funded, bearing Interest from 1st January, 1821, and destroyed by the Committee 1100 0 0

2350 0 0

Leaving in Circulation the 31st December last

L63,877 10 0

**Light Houses.**

HALIFAX.—The Collector's Accounts have been received, he has collected and paid the Treasurer, the sum of L.1611 12 7

LIVERPOOL.—Ditto Ditto 83 2 5

COLCHESTER.—The Collector's Account to the 30th June, has been received, the amount paid the Treasurer 10 12 3

SHELBURNE.—No Accounts

YARMOUTH.—No Accounts

PICTOU.—No Accounts

L.1705 7 3

The Commissioner's Accounts, to the 31st December last, have been received for repairs and supplies, amounting to L.1781 1 0, they have received from the Treasurer L.900, leaving a balance due to them of L.881 1 0

**Island of Sable.**

The Commissioner's Accounts to the 31st December last, have been received. Balance due him L79 8 3½

One year's Wages due the Superintendent and Servants, to the 31st December last 120 0 0

L.199 8 3½**Auction Duty.**

The Treasurer reports he has received Returns from the following Auctioneers, viz :

Deblois & Mitchell, to the 31st December last L.191 10 10

W. K. Reynolds & Co. Ditto 76 15 11

Richard Bulger, no Returns.

L.268 6 9

Committee-Room, Halifax, 23d February, 1822.

JOHN BLACK, } Committee of  
JAMES FRASER, } Council.

WILLIAM LAWSON,  
JOHN ALBRO,  
W. A. CHIPMAN,  
JOHN WELLS,  
JOHN ROBERTSON. } Committee of  
the House of  
Assembly.





Abstract of Dutiable Goods imported into the Province of Nova-Scotia, from 1st January to 31st December, 1821.

	BRANDY AND GIN. Gallons.	SPIRITS Gallons	WINE Gallons	MOLAS- SES Gallons	SUGAR Cwt. qr. lb.	COFFEE lbs.	3½ and 5 per Cent.	AMOUNT.
HALIFAX	12,352	263,404	69,539	80,005	7894 0 0	24 111	£130.012 6 8	£28,341 0 2
LUNENBURG		6,155		5,654	1519 0 0	2,168	370 11 5	650 7 2½
SHELBORNE		2,739		1,007	84 0 0		11 8 4	167 6 3
LIVERPOOL		65,917		43,571	1688 2 24	1,754		3,996 2 6
YARMOUTH		9,459		11,011	250 0 0		241 11 10	601 11 9
ANNAPOLIS		6 783	22	14,287	205 1 0	50	926 17 6	553 9 7
WINDSOR		1,330		583	20 1 0		93 19 6	86 8 6
KING'S COUNTY	5	8,611		7,588	221 2 0		43 16 0	634 3 1
PICTOU	747	9,661		2,010	325 2 25		1582 1 9½	699 17 6
CAPE BRETON	222	5,267	68	6,013	43 2 15	429	4,672 4 7	508 18 9½
TOTAL	13,326	378,996	69,627	172,029	12,255 0 8	28,512	£137,959 17 7½	£36,139 11 7½

Abstract of Monies undrawn on account of Roads and Bridges, on the 31st December, 1821, viz.

For the Road from David Ballentine's to Ogden's Pond	L.20 0 0
For the Road from the Guysborough Road, on the West of the South River of Antigonishe, to the Upper Settlement on the said River	10 0 0
For the Road from the Guysborough Road on the East side of the South River, to John Cumming's, on the said River	10 0 0
To assist in opening a Road, in a direct line from the East side of the West River of Antigonishe, where the Road leading from Peabody's Shop crosses the same to the head of Lockabar Lake. Balance	10 0 0
For a Bridge over the Narrows at Argyle	150 0 0
For aiding the Inhabitants in building a Bridge over the Macan River near William Ripley's, in addition to the sum of Money subscribed by the Inhabitants	70 0 0
For the Road from Barronsfield towards Patridge Island	20 0 0
For the Road from Pegwash Harbour towards the River Philip near John Ripley's, in addition to the sum of £80 subscribed by the Inhabitants. Balance	16 13 4
For one third of One Thousand Pounds, allowed for Roads in Cape-Breton	333 6 8
Balance of Cornwallis Bridge	400 0 0
	<u>L.1040 0 0</u>

Committee-Room; Halifax, 23d February, 1822.

JOHN BLACK, } Committee of  
JAMES FRASER, } Council.

WILLIAM LAWSON,  
JOHN ALBRO,  
W. A. CHIPMAN,  
JOHN WELLS, } Committee of  
JOHN ROBERTSON. } the House of  
Assembly.

Mr. Lawson also delivered to the House, a Statement from the Attorney-General, in explanation of the Accounts exhibited against him by the Collector of Impost and Excise for Halifax, on account of Bonds and Securities, placed in his hands for collection, up to the 31st December, 1821; and also,

A Description of Real Estates, conveyed by John Liddell since the date of the Judgment obtained against him by the Attorney-General, at the suit of the King.

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

Mr. W. H. Roach, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to revive and continue an Act, passed in the forty-eighth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions: and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, proceed to the further consideration of His Excellency's Speech.

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

Whereas His Majesty has been graciously pleased to re-annex the Island of Cape-Breton to the Province

Province of Nova-Scotia, and to allow the Inhabitants of that Island to elect two Members to represent them in the General Assembly of this Province; and whereas, the Inhabitants of the said Island, being principally of the Roman Catholic Religion, have returned two Members to represent them in this Assembly, one of whom, namely, Lawrence Kavanagh, Esq. is of that Religion, and although he is willing to take and subscribe all the State Oaths, he cannot conscientiously subscribe the Declaration against Transubstantiation: and whereas, it will be highly injurious to the Inhabitants of that Island, if the said Lawrence Kavanagh shall be refused a Seat in this Assembly, thereupon, it is *Resolved*, That this House will permit the said Lawrence Kavanagh, upon taking and subscribing all the State Oaths, to take his Seat in this Assembly without subscribing the said Declaration, and to retain the same until His Majesty's Pleasure shall be known therein, provided that His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor shall approve hereof, and not otherwise: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, seventeen:

For the motion,

Mr. Grassie	Mr. T. Dickson
Mr. Dewolf	Mr. Flemming
Mr. Poole	Mr. M. Kinnon
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Bishop
Mr. W. Dickson	
Mr. Lawson	
Mr. Uniacke	
Mr. Archibald	
Mr. J. I. Chipman	

Against the motion,

Mr. Sargent	Mr. Church
Mr. W. H. Roach	Mr. Denison
Mr. Parker	Mr. Marshall
Mr. W. A. Chipman	Mr. Ritchie
Mr. Wells	Mr. Young
Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Albro
Mr. Haliburton	Mr. Campbell
Mr. Ruggles	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Fraser	

So it passed in the negative.

A Petition of Jacob Sheffroth 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 road, for reasons stated in the Petition.

A Petition of Daniel Sutherland was presented by Mr. Albro, and read, praying that he may receive the Provincial Allowance for his services as Master of the Public School in the Settlement at the South-East Passage, for Six Months, commencing the 1st May, 1821.

A Petition of William Robertson, and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Barrington, was presented by Mr. Sargent, and read, praying an aid towards opening and clearing out Barrington River.

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

On motion, *resolved*, That Mr. Albro, Mr. Lawson and Mr. Fraser, be a Committee to prepare, and bring in, a Bill for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, by preventing the erection of certain Wooden Buildings.

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

*Tuesday, 26th February, 1822.*

#### PRAYERS.

A Bill to revive and continue an Act, passed in the forty-eighth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, was read a second time.

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

A Petition of the Magistrates and Overseers of the Poor at Yarmouth, was presented by Mr. Poole, and read, praying that the sum of £48 may be granted, to reimburse the said Township for expenses incurred in the support and maintenance of a Transient Pauper, per account.

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

On motion, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to inform His Excellency that it is the wish of the House to adjourn over to Thursday

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next, to have some repairs done to the Room in which the House sits, if it should meet His Excellency's approbation.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Frazer, Mr. Marshall and Mr. T. Dickson, be a Committee for the above purpose.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Robert Dickson have leave to return to his home for a few days, on account of sickness in his family.

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. Poole 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.

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

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Thursday next, proceed to the further consideration of the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Frazer reported, from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that the Committee had, pursuant to Order, waited on His Excellency, and that His Excellency was pleased to signify his approbation of the House adjourning until Thursday next.

A Petition of the Agricultural Society of Pictou, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying that a Duty may be imposed on Flour and Bread Corn imported into the Province from the United States of America, for the encouragement of the Agriculture of the Province.

A Petition of Thomas Smith, and others, Bakers in the Town of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying that an additional Duty may be imposed on American Ship Bread, imported into the Province.

A Petition of the Merchants, and other persons interested in the Trade of the Province, was presented by Mr. Grassie, and read, praying that the Provincial Duty, retained upon the exportation of West-India Produce from the Province, under the name of a Sunk Duty, may be remitted.

A Petition of the Merchants, and other persons interested in the Trade of the Province, was presented by Mr. Grassie, and read, praying for the interposition of the House with His Majesty's Government, on the subject of certain Acts of Parliament, relating to the Commercial Intercourse between this Province and the Canadas, also with Foreign Ports : as set forth in the Petition.

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

Then the House adjourned until Thursday, at one of the Clock.

*Thursday, 28th February, 1822.*

#### PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill, to remove certain disabilities which His Majesty's Subjects, professing the Popish Religion, now labour under in this Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to remove certain disabilities which His Majesty's Subjects, professing the Roman Catholic Religion, now labour under in this Province.

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

A Petition of the Steam-Boat Company, was presented by Mr. Albro, and read, praying for some pecuniary relief ; and also, for an exclusive right to the Ferry between Halifax and Dartmouth, under such regulations as may be deemed sufficient for the benefit of the Community, and the interest of their Establishment.

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

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A Petition of John D. Scott was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, setting forth that the Petitioner is an Insolvent Debtor, and at present confined in the County Jail of Halifax, and praying relief.

A Petition of Richard Dulhanty was presented by Mr. Uniacke, and read, setting forth that the Petitioner is an Insolvent Debtor, labouring under bodily infirmity, from a paralytic stroke, and at present confined in the County Jail of Halifax, and praying relief; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Petition of David Williams, the Petition of John D. Scott, and the Petition of Richard Dulhanty, be referred to Mr. Fraser, Mr. W. A. Chipman and Mr. Flemming, and that they do examine into the subject matter of the said Petitions respectively, and report thereon to the House.

A Written Message from the Council, by Mr. Hill, as follows, viz.

His Majesty's Council having had under their consideration the Petition of the Merchants, and other Persons interested in the Trade of the Province, relating to the Commercial Intercourse between this Province and the Canadas, have appointed a Committee of Council to prepare an Address to His Majesty, pursuant to the prayer of the said Petition; and that the House of Assembly be requested to appoint a Committee of that House to unite with the Committee of Council, in preparing a Joint Address of the Council and House of Assembly to His Majesty accordingly.

A Written Message from the Council, by Mr. Hill, as follows, viz.

His Majesty's Council have resolved, that a Message should be sent to the House of Assembly, to request the House to unite with the Council in an Address to His Majesty, congratulating Him on His Coronation, and safe return from His visit to Ireland, and His Dominions in Germany; and that the House be requested to appoint a Committee to join a Committee of Council, in preparing a Draft of such Address.

A Written Message from the Council, by Mr. Hill, as follows, viz.

His Majesty's Council have resolved that a Message should be sent to the House of Assembly, to appoint a Committee, to unite with a Committee of Council, for the purpose of obtaining information respecting the horrid murders of several of our Mariners, the dreadful cruelties, and personal ill treatment of many seafaring People belonging to this Province, and the destruction of our Shipping, and plunder of our Commerce, by Pirates in the West-India Seas, and that such Committee may report, without delay, such information as they may be able to procure on this subject, together with the draft of an Address to His Majesty on this distressing occasion.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the said Messages 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. Wells took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the Bill for promoting the settlement and improvement of the Wilderness Land in the Province, and that the Committee recommend that the said Bill should be referred to a Select Committee, to be appointed by the House. The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills to them referred, which report the House agreed to; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Bill for promoting the settlement and improvement of the Wilderness Land in the Province, be referred to Mr. Marshall, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Fraser, Mr. O'Brien, and Mr. Bishop, who are to report thereon to the House.

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

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, proceed to the consideration of the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of the several Messages received this day from the Council; and thereupon, *Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Grassie and Mr. Haliburton, be a Committee of this House to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to prepare a joint Address to His Majesty, on the subject of the Petition of the Merchants, and others, relating to the Commercial Intercourse between this Province and the Canadas.

*Resolved*, That Mr. Frazer, Mr. Uniacke, and Mr. Marshall, be a Committee of this House, to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to prepare a joint Address to His Majesty, to congratulate His Majesty on His Coronation, and safe return from His visit to Ireland, and His Dominions in Germany,

*Resolved*, That Mr. Marshall, Mr. Freeman, and Mr. W. H. Roach, be a Committee to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to prepare a joint Address to His Majesty, on the subject of Depredations and Piracies committed on our Commerce in the West-India Seas.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do acquaint the Council with the foregoing Resolutions.

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

*Friday, 1st March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

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.

Mr. Secretary George acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, signed by His Excellency, and he presented the said Message to the House; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows, viz.

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

**T**HE Administration of Justice having been provided for in the Island of Cape-Breton, since its re-annexation to this Province, without the appointment of any additional Judge of the Supreme Court, considerable additional Duties have thereby devolved upon the Assistant-Judges of that Court, and I therefore think the present a fit occasion to bring under your consideration the propriety of making permanent that portion of their Salaries which has, for some years, been voted annually, namely, One Hundred Pounds; and also the granting some additional allowance to the Judges who may go the Cape-Breton Circuit: for, besides the length of the journey, travelling in in that Island is attended with much difficulty and fatigue, and great personal inconvenience, there being no Roads or regular Ferries as yet established in it.

That the Judges ought to have fixed incomes, sufficient to enable them to uphold the rank, the respectability and the independence, of their Offices, will, I hope, be admitted by all; and, being satisfied that the Salaries and other Emoluments, now enjoyed by the Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court, are barely competent to support themselves and their families, I think it my duty very earnestly to recommend the measure which I thus bring under your consideration.

I also think it necessary to lay before you the Copy of a Letter which I have received from the Sheriff of the County of Cape-Breton, representing the utter impossibility of his continuing to hold that Office, for the reasons therein stated, and as it will be impossible to procure a fit and proper person to execute the duties of Sheriff in that Island, under present circumstances, unless the emoluments of that Office are considerably increased, I recommend the subject to your serious consideration.

JAMES KEMPT.

Mr. Secretary George also delivered to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the undermentioned Papers, viz:

A Copy of a Letter from the Sheriff of the Island of Cape-Breton, to His Excellency, Dated Sydney, 11th December, 1821: referred to in His Excellency's Message; also,

An Estimate of the charge for defraying the Civil Establishment of the Province of Nova-Scotia, for the year 1822.

*Ordered*,

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

A Petition of William Corbet was presented by Mr. Archibald, 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 other persons.

A Petition of John Markel, and others, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying that a Law may not pass to confirm Jacob Sheffroth in a certain piece of Land, on the Peninsula of Halifax, originally laid out for a Public Road.

A Petition of the Trustees of the Pictou Academy was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying for some pecuniary aid towards the support of that Establishment.

A Petition of James Foreman, and others, Merchants and Persons concerned and interested in the Trade of Nova-Scotia, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying that a Duty may not be imposed on Flour and Grain, imported into the Province from the United States of America.

A Petition of Richard Tremain, and other persons, was presented by Mr. Grassie, and read, praying for the Establishment of a Public Chartered Bank, at Halifax.

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

Mr. Grassie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to authorise the Establishment of a Bank at Halifax, 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. Poole 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, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on Articles imported from the United States, and to impose additional Duties therein mentioned, 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 several 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. Lawson reported from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for the greater Security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, and accordingly presented,

A Bill for the greater Security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, and preventing the erection of Wooden Buildings within the same, beyond a certain height; and the same was read a first time.

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

Mr. Lawson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill relating to Juries in Civil Causes: 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 request a Conference, by Committee, on the subject of the Catholic Bill, now before the Council.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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*Resolved*,

*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. Frazer, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. J. I. Chipman, Mr. Marshall, and Mr. W. A. Chipman, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

Mr. Frazer reported that the Managers had been at the Conference; and stated to the House that they had received from the Committee of the Council a written Paper, which he read, and is as follows :

His Majesty's Council concur in the opinion entertained by the House of Assembly, that the admission of Persons, professing the Roman Catholic Religion, into the Legislature of this Province, would not be attended with any evil consequences, but would, on the contrary, tend to preserve that harmony which now so happily prevails among His Majesty's Subjects of all religious denominations in this Province; but His Majesty's Council are apprehensive that His Majesty might not think it decorous in the Legislature of this Province to pass a general Act in direct violation of His Majesty's Instructions, without any previous communication with His Majesty's Government on so important a subject; and they are fearful that the liberal views of the friends of the Roman Catholics might be frustrated by attempting too much for them in the first instance. His Majesty's Council will, however, most willingly concur in any Bill which may have for its object the admission of the Roman Catholic Representative now elected for the County of Cape-Breton. As that will meet the only case which at present exists, will give to that County during the present Session the advantage of having that share in the Representative Body which His Majesty graciously intended they should have, and will more certainly advance the interests of that class of His Majesty's Subjects in this Province than a general Bill, from which His Majesty might think it necessary to withhold his assent, until the Legislature of the Mother Country have come to a determination upon this important question.

*Ordered*, That the Paper 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.

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

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, proceed to the further consideration of the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

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

*Saturday, 2d March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill to authorise the establishment of a Bank at Halifax; also,

A Bill for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, and preventing the erection of Wooden Buildings within the same, beyond a certain height; also,

A Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly; and also,

A Bill relating to Juries in Civil Causes, were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Poole, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to extend several Acts, relating to Firewards, to the Town of Yarmouth: and the same was read a first time.

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

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on Articles imported from the United States of America, and to impose additional Duties on certain articles therein mentioned, was read a third time. *Resolved*,

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on Articles imported from the United States of America, and to impose additional Duties on certain Articles therein mentioned.

*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 passed a Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the third and fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

And the said Bill was read a first time.

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

A Petition of Jehial Clark, an Insolvent Debtor, confined in the Jail at Halifax, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying for relief; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Frazer, Mr. W. A. Chipman, and Mr. Flemming, who are to examine into the merits of the same, and report thereon to the House.

A Petition of George N. Russell, Matthew Richardson and Thomas Wallace, was presented by Mr. Uniacke, and read, praying that they may have Credit for certain Monies, as Sureties for Charles Hill & Co. Provincial Debtors, as stated in their Petition.

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

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

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Monday next, proceed to the further consideration of the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

On motion of Mr. Marshall, *resolved*, That this House will, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the General State of the Province.

Mr. Frazer moved, that the following Instructions be given to the Committee of this House, to be delivered by them to a Committee of the Council, on a further conference to be held with the Council on the subject of the Catholic Bill, viz.

The House of Assembly agree with His Majesty's Council, that no evil consequences will attend the admission of Persons professing the Roman Catholic Religion into the Legislature of the Province; and the House, sensible of the harmony which now so happily prevails among His Majesty's Subjects, of every religious denomination, are unwilling to disturb that peace by partial and individual legislation.

That the House are fully aware that any Bill which has for its object the admission of Roman Catholics to Seats in the Legislature, on terms other than His Majesty's Instructions direct, without a clause suspending the operation of such Bill, until His Majesty's Pleasure should be known, would be indecorous in the Legislature, and in violation of those Instructions.

That a Bill, which had for its object the admission of the Roman Catholic Representative for the County of Cape-Breton, has been duly considered by the House and dismissed.

That the House cannot entertain any Bill of a private or individual nature, or be induced to legislate on terms less general than are comprehended in the Bill now before His Majesty's Council: which being seconded, thereupon,

Mr. J. I. Chipman moved an amendment to Mr. Frazer's motion, as follows, viz. Leave out from the word "The," at the beginning of the Instructions, to the word "Council," at the end of the same, and insert, in place thereof, the words as followeth, viz.

That the House of Assembly had under consideration on a former day a Bill, the object of which was to admit the Representative returned duly elected for the County of Cape-Breton into the House of Assembly, upon his taking and subscribing all the State Oaths, without requiring him to sign



sign the Declaration against Transubstantiation, but that the attention of the House was called from the consideration of that Bill by the introduction of the Bill now before His Majesty's Council, for generally removing the Disabilities of His Majesty's Roman Catholic Subjects in this Province, which Bill passed the House without any opposition; and that the House are happy to learn that the opinion of His Majesty's Council coincides with the opinion of the House on this important subject; and that, as this House and His Majesty's Council perfectly agree in the general object of the Bill, the House will, in the meantime, come to such resolution, and adopt such measures, as may provide for the Representation of the County of Cape-Breton, until His Majesty's Pleasure shall be known: which being seconded and put, and the House, dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, twelve; against it, twenty-one:

For the Amendment,

Mr. Lawson  
 Mr. McKinnon  
 Mr. J. I. Chipman  
 Mr. Poole  
 Mr. Uniacke  
 Mr. W. Dickson  
 Mr. Freeman  
 Mr. Archibald  
 Mr. Flemming  
 Mr. Dewolf  
 Mr. T. Dickson  
 Mr. Grassie

Against the Amendment,

Mr. Albro	Mr. Ruggles
Mr. Wells	Mr. Ritchie
Mr. Haliburton	Mr. W. H. Roach
Mr. Wier	Mr. Denison
Mr. Church	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Fraser	Mr. Heckman
Mr. Marshall	Mr. James
Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Campbell
Mr. Young	Mr. Sargent
Mr. Parker	Mr. Bishop
Mr. W. A. Chipman	

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Frazer's motion was then put to the House, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-one; against it, twelve; so it passed in the affirmative; and thereupon, *Ordered*, That the Instructions be engrossed.

On motion, *resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, proceed to the further consideration of His Excellency's Speech.

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

*Monday, 4th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the third and fourth years of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors; also,

A Bill to extend several Acts relating to Firewards to the Town of Yarmouth, were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Church, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to relieve Persons inhabiting Islands from performing Highway Labour upon the Main Land: and the same was read a first time.

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

On motion, the Orders of the Day were read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, proceed to the further consideration of the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on 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 directed him to move for leave to sit again, on the consideration of the same, which Report the House agreed to.

A Petition of the Committee of the Acadian School was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of that Establishment.

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

The engrossed Instructions on the subject of the Catholic Bill were read : and thereupon,  
*Ordered*, That the Clerk do request a further conference with the Council on the subject of the Catholic Bill, agreeable to the Resolution of yesterday.

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 also that they do deliver to the Committee of the Council a Copy of the said Instructions passed by the House yesterday.

And they went to the Conference.

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

*Tuesday, 5th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill to relieve Persons inhabiting Islands from performing Highway Labour upon the Main Land, was read a second time.

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

Mr. Frazer reported that the Managers had held a further conference with a Committee of the Council on the subject of the Catholic Bill, and delivered to them a Copy of the Instructions, pursuant to the Order of the House.

On motion, *ordered*, That the Estimate of the Expense for the Civil Establishment of His Majesty's Government for the Year 1822, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on 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 he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again, on the consideration of the same : which Report the House agreed to.

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

*Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, proceed to the further consideration of the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

A Petition of Joseph Oxley was presented by Mr. Roach, and read, praying that the sum of £30 12 6, may be granted for paying a balance due on a Contract for Building a Bridge over the River Philip.

A Petition of James Archibald, and other Persons, of the Township of Truro, was presented by Mr. W. Dickson, and read, praying for the Establishment of a Bank.

A Petition of George Mitchell was presented by Mr. Grassie, and read, praying payment for a defaced Province Note to the value of Five Pounds.

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

A Written Message from the Council, by Mr. Hill, as follows, viz.

*In Council, 5th March, 1822.*

On motion, *resolved*, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting

requesting him to take steps, prior to the meeting of the next Session of the Legislature, to ascertain whether His Majesty's Ministers would advise His Majesty to modify or alter His Majesty's Instructions to the Governor-General and Commander in Chief in Nova-Scotia, in such manner, as to admit Persons professing the Roman Catholic Religion, who are willing to take the State Oaths, but will not subscribe the Declaration against Popery and Transubstantiation, to sit and vote in the Legislature, to act as Magistrates, and to be admitted to the Bar, and hold other offices in this Province, and to express the opinion of this Board to His Excellency, that the interest of this Colony would be advanced thereby, and that the House of Assembly be requested to join in such Address. And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Poole 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. Lawson delivered to the House an Abstract of the Expenses of the Poor-House in Halifax, between the 1st January and 31st December, 1821, amounting to £2317 6 1; also,

A Return from the Commissioners of the Poor of the number of Transient and other Poor Persons in the Poor-House in Halifax, on the 1st day of January, 1822.

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

On motion, *resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, take into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of the 1st instant, on the subject of the Salaries of the Assistant-Justices of the Supreme Court, and the Office of Sheriff of the County of Cape-Breton.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a Letter from the Deputy-Post-Master General, addressed to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and by His Excellency recommended to the consideration of the House: stating that the sum of £775 will be required for the payment, to the 31st December, 1822, of Couriers employed in the Post-Office Department under the authority of the Provincial Legislature: transmitted to Mr. Speaker by Mr. Secretary George, by command of His Excellency.

*Ordered*, That the Letter 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.

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*Wednesday, 6th March, 1822.*

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PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary George acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, signed by His Excellency, and he presented the said Message to the House; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows, viz.

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

**I** HAVE lately received a Memorial from the Treasurer of the Province, requesting some compensation for his services in preparing and issuing Treasury Notes under several Acts of the Legislature, passed since the Year 1816: and as I am sensible that the execution of the extraordinary duties imposed upon him by these Acts has not only occasioned him a great deal of trouble, but has also put him to very considerable expense, I think it proper to lay before you a Copy of his Memorial, and to recommend it, most earnestly, to your favorable consideration.

JAMES KEMPT.

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Mr. Secretary George also delivered to the House, by command of His Excellency, a Copy of the Memorial from the Treasurer of the Province to His Excellency, referred to in His Excellency's Message.

The said Memorial was read by the Clerk : and thereupon,

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

Mr. Chipman, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in addition to, and amendment of, the Act for admitting Depositions *De bene Esse*, of Witnesses aged, infirm, and otherwise unable to travel, and of Witnesses departing from the Province : and the same was read a first time.

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

A Petition of the Poor Man's Friend Society was presented by Mr. Grassie, and read, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of that Benevolent Institution.

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

On motion, the Orders of the Day were read, and thereupon,

On motion, *Resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, proceed to the further consideration of the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor on the subject of the Salaries of the Assistant-Justices of the Supreme Court, and the Office of Sheriff of the County of Caps-Breton.

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 the sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted permanently to each of the three Assistant-Justices of His Majesty's Supreme Court, pursuant to the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and that it be recommended to the House to pass a Bill for that purpose.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of His Excellency's Message, 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.

On motion, the Message of His Majesty's Council, to this House, received yesterday, was read by the Clerk : and thereupon,

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

*Resolved*, That this House will join His Majesty's Council in the Address to His Majesty on the subject proposed by the said Message : which being seconded, thereupon,

Mr. Haliburton moved an amendment to Mr. Archibald's motion, as follows, viz. Leave out all the Words of the Resolution, and insert in the place thereof the following Words, viz.

*Resolved*, That this House deem it inexpedient, during the present Session, to join His Majesty's Council in any Address on the subject expressed in that Message : which being seconded, and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, twenty-two ; against it, eleven :

For the Amendment,

Mr. Bishop

Mr. Ruggles

Mr. R. Dickson

Mr. Wells

Mr. W. A. Chipman

Mr. Ritchie

Mr. Roach

Mr. Young

Mr. Church

Mr. Blair

Mr. Marshall

Mr. Fraser

Mr. James

Mr. Robertson

Mr. Haliburton

Mr. W. H. Roach

Mr. Wier

Mr. Denison

Mr. Sargent

Mr. Morse

Mr. Heckman

Mr. Campbell

Against the Amendment,

Mr. Grassie

Mr. Albro

Mr. W. Dickson

Mr. T. Dickson

Mr. Lawson

Mr. O'Brien

Mr. Dewolf

Mr. Poole

Mr. Flemming

Mr. J. I. Chipman

Mr. Archibald

So it passed in the affirmative ; and thereupon,  
*Ordered*, That the Clerk do acquaint the Council with the foregoing Resolution, as agreed to 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 for imposing Duties on Articles imported from the United States of America.

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. Haliburton, Mr. Ritchie, and Mr. Marshall, do manage the said Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

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

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

*Thursday, 7th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill in addition to, and amendment of, the Act for admitting depositions *De bene Esse* of Witnesses aged, infirm, and otherwise unable to travel, and of Witnesses departing from the Province, was read a second time.

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

On motion, *resolved*, That no Bill be received by the House, after Wednesday, the 20th instant.

A Petition of Francis Ryarson and others, Inhabitants of the Townships of Clements and Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and read, praying that a Law may be passed for the preservation of the Herring Fishery within the Basin of Annapolis, by preventing the killing of Porpoises at the entrance of, and within, the Gut of Annapolis.

A Petition of James Hull, and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Granville, was presented by Mr. Ruggles, and read, praying that a Law may be passed for the preservation of the Herring Fishery within the Basin of Annapolis, by preventing the killing of Porpoises at the entrance of, and within, the Gut of Annapolis.

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

Mr. Ritchie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the preservation of the Herring Fishery within the Basin of Annapolis : and the same was read a first time.

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

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Committee on the Expiring Laws, and accordingly presented

A Bill to continue an Act 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 ; also,

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

A Bill to continue an Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax ; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for regulating the prices of Carriages ; 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 and Cranberry Island Light-Houses ; also,

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

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A Bill to continue the several Acts for repairing, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax ; 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 the several Acts for regulating the expenditure of Monies, for the Service of Roads and Bridges ; and also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts for regulating the Summary Trial of Actions, in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax ; and the said Bills were severally read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, *resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the consideration of Ways and Means.

Mr. Lawson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to provide for the support of a Light-House erected on Cranberry Island, at the entrance of the Gut of Canso, 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 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 this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

And the said Bill was read a first time.

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

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor on the subject of the Salaries of the Assistant-Judices of the Supreme Court, and the Office of Sheriff of the County of Cape-Breton.

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 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 if, upon the Certificate of the Judges, who shall go the Cape-Breton Circuit the present year, made by them upon inspecting the Accounts of the Sheriff of that County, to be appointed for the present year, in which he shall state the services performed by him, and his Deputy or Deputies, and the Fees received by him and them, it shall appear to the Governor or Commander in Chief, that a reasonable compensation has not been received by the said Sheriff, for those services, it shall be lawful for His Excellency to draw, by Warrant on the Treasury, such sum not exceeding fifty pounds, to be paid to the said Sheriff, as in the opinion of the Governor or Commander in Chief shall be necessary to remunerate the said Sheriff for the services performed by him during the said year : it appearing to this Committee, that, from the present state of the Roads in that Island, the execution of that office is attended with great difficulty, and that it be recommended to the House to insert a Clause to that effect in the Appropriation Bill of the present year.

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Poole took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

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The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to relieve Persons inhabiting Islands from performing Highway Labour upon the Main Land, 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 to them referred, which the House agreed to.

*Ordered,* That the Bill be engrossed.

A Petition of the Clergy and Trustees of St. Peter's Parish, was presented by Mr. Uniacke, and read, praying for pecuniary aid towards the support of the Catholic School in Halifax.

A Petition of John Metzler, was presented by Mr. J. I. Chipman, and read, praying to be exempted from the operation of a Bill now before the House for the greater security of the Town of Halifax from Fire, &c. for reasons set forth in the Petition.

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

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

*Friday, 8th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, 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; also,

A Bill to continue an Act 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; also,

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

A Bill to continue an Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax; also,

A Bill to continue an Act for regulating the prices of Carriages; 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 and Cranberry Island Light-Houses; 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 the several Acts for repairing, cleaning and paving, the Streets, in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax; 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 the several Acts for regulating the expenditure of Monies, for the Service of Roads and Bridges; also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts for regulating the Summary Trial of Actions, in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax; also,

A Bill to provide for the support of a Light-House erected on Cranberry Island, near the entrance of the Gut of Canso; and also,

A Bill for the preservation of the Herring Fishery within the Basin of Annapolis: were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for establishing a Public Market in the Town of Sydney, in the County of Cape Breton, and the same was read a first time.

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

A Petition of Christopher Beuson, and others, Settlers on the Lahave Road, and on the Sherbrooke

brooke and Dalhousie Road, was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and read, praying for pecuniary aid, to enable them to build a Grift Mill, for the use and accommodation of the said Settlers,

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

An engrossed Bill to relieve Persons inhabiting Islands from performing Highway Labour upon the Main Land, was read a third time.

*Resolved,* That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to relieve Persons inhabiting Islands from performing Highway Labour upon the Main Land.

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

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for permitting Goods subject to a Duty of Impost and Excise, when imported into the Port of Halifax, to be secured in Ware-Houses, and the same was read a first time.

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

A Petition of Rufus Fairbanks, and others, Proprietors of part of the Common at Halifax, under an Act of the Legislature, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying for relief as respects their Titles, for reasons set forth in the Petition.

A Petition of Shubael Dimock, and Eight Hundred and Thirty-One other Persons, Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Townships of Newport, Douglas and Rawdon, was presented by Mr. Haliburton, and read, praying, that the County Court-House may be removed from Windsor to the Scotch Village in Newport, for the general convenience and benefit of the Inhabitants of the said County.

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

Mr. Marshall reported from the Committee to whom the Bill for promoting the Settlement of the Wilderness Land in the Province was referred, and afterwards delivered the Bill, together with several amendments made by them to the same, in at the Clerk's Table, and thereupon,

*Resolved,* That the said Bill, and the amendments, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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 the 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 this Province, should remain the same as imposed the last year.

*Resolved,* That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Duty on all Goods, Wares and Merchandises, imported into this Province, should remain the same as imposed the last year.

*Resolved,* That it is the opinion of this Committee, that an additional Light-Duty should be imposed of Six Pence per Ton, Registered Tonnage, on all vessels belonging to Foreigners, coming into any of the Harbours of this Province.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Ways and Means; 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 Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Grassie, Mr. Blair, Mr. Lawton, and Mr. McKinnon, be a Committee to prepare and bring in Bills for carrying into effect the foregoing Resolutions of the Committee of Ways and Means.



**A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :**

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the several Acts, passed in the thirty-second and thirty-fourth years of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, for confirming titles to Land, and quieting possessions. And an Act, passed in the twenty-ninth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act to amend the several Acts, passed in the thirty-second and thirty-fourth years of His late Majesty George the Second, and in the first, fifth and twelfth years of His present Majesty's reign, relative to the Registering of Deeds and Conveyances, made of, or which may affect, Lands, tenements and hereditaments, to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The said Bill was read a first time.

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. 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 he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same : which Report the House agreed to.

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

*Saturday, 9th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill for establishing a Public Market in the Town of Sydney, in the County of Cape-Breton; also,

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to amend the several Acts, passed in the thirty-second, and thirty-fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, for confirming Titles to Land, and quieting possessions; and an Act, passed in the twenty-ninth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act to amend the several Acts, passed in the thirty-second and thirty-fourth years of His late Majesty George the Second, and in the first, fifth, and twelfth years of His present Majesty's reign, relative to the Registering of Deeds and Conveyances, made of, or which may affect, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Frazer, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to extend an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the repairing, keeping in repair, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Town of Windsor: and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Morfe, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for altering the time of holding the Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Cumberland: 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 General State of the Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells 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 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 appoint a Committee to enquire and report to the House whether it is expedient to make any, and what, regulations, for the encouragement of the Fisheries, Commerce and Agriculture, of the Province ; and that the Committee do send for such Persons as they shall think proper, and who may be inclined to afford them information on the subject.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the General State of the Province, which the House agreed to.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Archibald, Mr. Grassie, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Albro, Mr. W. A. Chipman, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Haliburton, and Mr. Young, be a Committee, agreeable to the foregoing Resolution of the Committee of the whole House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the 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 he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same : which Report the House agreed to.

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

*Monday, 11th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill to extend an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the repairing, keeping in repair, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Town of Windsor : and also,

A Bill for altering the time of holding the Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Cumberland, 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. Poole took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill for promoting the settlement and improvement of the Wilderness Land of the Province ; also the Bill to extend the Act for repairing the Streets, &c. in the Town of Halifax, to the Town of Windsor ; and also, the Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly : and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills, severally, without any amendment. That the Committee had gone through the Bill for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, and had made several amendments thereunto, 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 to them referred : which report the House agreed to. The

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

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

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

On motion, *resolved*, That this House will, on Thursday next, the 14th instant, take into consideration the several Private Petitions now before the House.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to relieve Persons inhabiting Islands from performing Highway Labour upon the Main Land.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Tuesday, 12th March, 1822.*

#### PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, made and passed in the 57th year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, 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.

An engrossed Bill for the greater Security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, and preventing the erection of Wooden Buildings within the same, beyond a certain height, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, and preventing the erection of Wooden Buildings within the same beyond a certain height.

An engrossed Bill to extend an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's reign entitled, An Act for the repairing, keeping in repair, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Town of Windsor, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to extend an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the repairing, keeping in repair, ing and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Town of Windsor.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bills 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 gone through the Bill for establishing a Public Market in the Town of Sydney, in the County of Cape-Breton. The Bill to continue an Act to provide for the greater security of this Province by a better regulation of the Militia. The Bill to continue an Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax. The Bill to continue an Act for regulating the rates and prices of Carriages. The Bill to continue an Act to prevent the forestalling, regrating and monopolizing, of Cord Wood, in the Town of Halifax. The Bill to continue an Act for establishing a Bridewell or House of Correction, for the County of Halifax. The Bill to continue the several Acts for repairing, cleaning and paving, the Streets, in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax. The Bill to continue an Act, to provide for the accommodation and billeting of His Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia. And also, the

the Bill to continue the several Acts for regulating the expenditure of Monies, for the Service of Roads and Bridges : and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills severally to the House without any amendment : and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's Table.

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

*Ordered*, That the Bills be engrossed.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, two Petitions, received by him this morning from Pictou, and the same were read by the Clerk, and are as follow, viz.

A Petition of John Patterfon, and others, Inhabitants of Pictou, praying that a Duty may be imposed on Flour and Grain imported into the Province from the United States of America ; and also, for an alteration in the Law respecting the make of Barrels for the packing of pickled Fish for Exportation ; also

A Petition of John Patterfon, and others, Merchants and Inhabitants of Pictou, praying that the Light Duty, now payable by Vessels not owned in the Province may be reduced.

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

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act 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, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act 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.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, 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 engrossed Bill to continue an Act for regulating the rates and 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 to continue an Act to prevent 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 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 the 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 continue an Act for establishing a Bridewell or House of Correction for the County of Halifax, was read a third time.

*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 the several Acts for repairing, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, 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, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for repairing, cleaning, keeping in repair, 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 said Majesty's Reign.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act 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, to provide for the

the accommodation and billeting of His Majesty 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 the several Acts for regulating 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 continue the several Acts for regulating the expenditure of Monies, for the Service of Roads and Bridges.

An engrossed Bill for establishing a Public Market in the Town of Sydney, in the County of Cape-Breton, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for establishing a Public Market in the Town of Sydney, in the County of Cape-Breton.

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

Mr. Secretary George acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, signed by His Excellency, and he presented the said Message to the House ; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows, viz.

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

**I** HEREWITH lay before you a Copy of a Memorial that I have received from the Surveyor-General, requesting to be remunerated for certain extra services which he was called upon to perform, within the last year.

I consider him fairly entitled to an adequate compensation for those Services, and have therefore no hesitation in recommending the prayer of his Memorial, to your most favorable consideration.

JAMES KEMPT.

Mr. Secretary George also delivered to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a Copy of the Memorial from the Surveyor-General to His Excellency, referred to in His Excellency's Message,

The said Memorial was read by the Clerk, and thereupon,

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

A Petition of the Freeholders of the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. Marshall, and read, praying, that a Duty may be imposed upon all Flour and Grain imported into the Province, from the United States of America.

*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 gone through the Bill to extend several Acts relating to Firewards to the Town of Yarmouth ; and also, the Bill for altering the time of holding the Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Cumberland : and that they had directed him to report the said Bills severally to the House without any amendment. That the Committee had deferred the consideration of the Bill relating to Juries in Civil Causes, to this day three months. That the Committee had gone through the engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to amend the several Acts, passed in the thirty-second and thirty-fourth years of the reign of His late Majesty George the Second, for confirming titles to Land, and quieting possessions, &c. and had made several amendments thereunto, 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 to them referred, which Report the House agreed to.

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

*Ordered*, That the amendments be engrossed:

*Resolved*, That the said Bill, with the amendments, be read a third time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Bills reported from the Committee without amendment be engrossed:

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

*Wednesday, 13th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill for altering the time of holding the Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Cumberland, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for altering the time of holding the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the County of Cumberland.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to amend the several Acts, passed in the thirty-second and thirty-fourth years of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, for confirming titles to Land, and quieting possessions; and an Act, passed in the twenty-ninth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act to amend the several Acts, passed in the thirty-second and thirty-fourth years of His late Majesty George the Second, and in the first, fifth and twelfth years of His present Majesty's reign, relative to the Registering of Deeds and Conveyances, made of, or which may affect, Lands, tenements and hereditaments; and also the engrossed amendments to the said Bill, were severally read a third time.

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

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 amend and continue the Acts for encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province, and that they had directed him to report the said Bill to the House without any amendment. That the Committee had deferred the consideration of the engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors; and also, the Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act for admitting Depositions *De bene Esse* of Witnesses, aged, infirm and otherwise unable to travel, 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 several Bills to them referred, and thereupon,

Mr. Wells moved, that the Report of the Committee, so far as it relates to the engrossed Bill, in amendment of an Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, be not received by the House, which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twelve; against it, thirteen:

For the motion,

Mr. T. Dickson	Mr. James
Mr. Roach	Mr. Albro
Mr. Parker,	Mr. Poole
Mr. Grassie	Mr. Church
Mr. Wells	Mr. J. I. Chipman
Mr. Bishop	Mr. Heckman

Against the Motion,

Mr. Blair	Mr. Morse
Mr. W. Dickson	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Ritchie	Mr. Fraser
Mr. Dewolf	Mr. Robertson
Mr. W. A. Chipman	Mr. Young
Mr. Haliburton	Mr. W. H. Roach
Mr. Freeman	

So it passed in the negative, and thereupon the said Report was agreed to by the House.

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

The Petition of Thomas Logan was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. W. A. Chipman.

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

*Thursday, 14th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

On reading the Journal of yesterday, Mr. Wells moved that the Proceedings, so far as they relate to deferring the consideration of the engrossed Bill from the Council, in amendment of an Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, be rescinded, which being seconded, and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, fourteen; against the motion, eighteen:

For the motion.

Mr. Poole	Mr. James
Mr. R. Dickson	Mr. McKinnon
Mr. Flemming	Mr. Bingay
Mr. Grassie	Mr. T. Dickson
Mr. Wells	Mr. Denison
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Church	
Mr. Heckman	
Mr. Parker	

Against the motion.

Mr. W. A. Chipman	Mr. Marshall
Mr. W. Dickson	Mr. Ritchie
Mr. Fraser	Mr. Archibald
Mr. W. H. Roach	Mr. Dewolf
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Haliburton	Mr. Blair
Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Campbell
Mr. Young	Mr. Wier
Mr. Morse	Mr. Sargent

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. O'Brien moved for leave to bring in a Bill to remove the Court-House from Windsor to the Scotch Village in Newport, in the County of Hants, which being seconded, and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twelve; against it, nineteen:

For the motion,

Mr. Poole	Mr. McKinnon
Mr. R. Dickson	Mr. Denison
Mr. Flemming	Mr. Sargent
Mr. O'Brien	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Church	
Mr. Haliburton	
Mr. Wier	
Mr. Campbell	

Against the motion,

Mr. W. A. Chipman	Mr. Morse
Mr. W. Dickson	Mr. Parker
Mr. Fraser	Mr. Bingay
Mr. Wells	Mr. Archibald
Mr. W. H. Roach	Mr. Marshall
Mr. Robertson	Mr. Heckman
Mr. Grassie	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Albro	Mr. Ritchie
Mr. James	Mr. Kuggles
Mr. Young	

So it passed in the negative.

An engrossed Bill to amend and continue the Acts for encouraging the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, in amendment of the Acts for encouraging the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province.

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

Mr. Frazer reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of David Williams; the Petition of Richard Dulhanty; the Petition of John D. Scott, and the Petition of Jehial Clarke, 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 is as follows:

That the Committee have carefully examined into the facts contained in the several Petitions; and that it appears to the Committee, the aforesaid several Petitioners are charged in execution at the suits of their respective Creditors, as named in their said Petitions, and upon judgments to the amount therein severally specified. That, as far as the Committee can ascertain, by an examination of the Petitioners themselves, and such of their Creditors as have attended the Committee, the facts disclosed in their several Petitions are just and true, excepting the fact stated by Richard Dulhanty, of his having, during his confinement, received a severe paralytic stroke, rendering one of his sides totally useless: this statement the Committee find not to be the case. That the said several Petitioners

Petitioners have already made application to the Justices of the Supreme Court for their discharge under the Insolvent Debtors' Act of this Province, but that their respective Creditors have caused them to be remanded upon undertaking to afford them the allowance of Bread, conformably to the provisions of the said Act.

*Ordered,* That the Report 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 to continue an Act for establishing a Bridewell, or House of Correction, for the County of Halifax ; and for providing a Police Office in the said Town, with proper Officers to attend the same ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue An Act to provide for this greater security of the Province by a better regulation of the Militia, and to repeal the Militia Laws now in force ; also,

A Bill, entitled, 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 ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts now in force, regulating the expenditure of Monies for the Service of Roads and Bridges ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to 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 ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for repairing, keeping in repair, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Town of Windsor ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue 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 ; 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 ; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act, in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for repairing, cleaning, keeping in repair, 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 said Majesty's Reign—severally without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Public Market in the Town of Sydney, in the County of Cape-Breton, with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council request a Conference, by Committee, on the subject of the Bill, entitled, An Act for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, &c.

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. Lawton, Mr. Grassie, and Mr. W. A. Chipman, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

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

Mr. Wells, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to limit and restrain the issuing and levying Writs of Attachment upon Goods, Chattles and Estate, of Absent or Absconding Debtors : 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 have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for altering the time of holding the Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the County of Cumberland, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the purpose of presenting to His Excellency Copies of two Resolutions which have passed this House, on the subject of His Excellency's Message relative to the Salaries of the Assistant-Justices of the Supreme Court, and to the Office of Sheriff for the County of Cape-Breton.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. McKinnon, Mr. Heckman and Mr. Bishop, be a Committee for that purpose.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly.

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. Marshall, Mr. T. Dickson and Mr. Roach, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

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

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 Private Petitions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. James 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 he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same : which Report the House agreed to.

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

*Friday, 15th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill to limit and restrain the issuing and levying of Writs of Attachment upon Goods, Chattles and Estate, of Absent or Absconding Debtors, 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, nine ; against it, ten : so it passed in the negative.

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

Mr. Dickson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to enable the Proprietors of Wilderness Land in Onslow, to open Roads through the same : and the said Bill was read a first time.

Mr. Morse, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in amendment of an Act for appointing Commissioners of Sewers, and the same was read a first time.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Bills be now read a second time, and the Bills were read a second time accordingly.

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

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An engrossed Bill to extend several Acts relating to Firewards to the Town of Yarmouth, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to extend several Acts relating to Firewards to the Town of Yarmouth.

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

An engrossed Bill for promoting the settlement and improvement of the Wilderness Land of the Province, was read a third time: and thereupon,

Mr. Haliburton moved, that the Bill do not pass, which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven; against it, twenty-one.

For the motion,

Mr. Morse  
Mr. Denison  
Mr. James  
Mr. Blair  
Mr. W. Dickson  
Mr. Poole  
Mr. Freeman  
Mr. Haliburton  
Mr. Heckman  
Mr. Robertson  
Mr. Sargent

Against the motion,

Mr. Wier  
Mr. Grassie  
Mr. Wells  
Mr. O'Brien  
Mr. W. A. Chipman  
Mr. Albro  
Mr. Church  
Mr. Marshall  
Mr. Young  
Mr. Bingay  
Mr. J. I. Chipman  
Mr. Dewolf  
Mr. Bishop  
Mr. Lawson  
Mr. Ritchie  
Mr. Fraser  
Mr. T. Dickson  
Mr. Flemming  
Mr. Ruggles  
Mr. W. H. Roach  
Mr. Campbell

So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for promoting the settlement and improvement of the Wild Land of the Province.

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

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to the Order of the House of yesterday, that the Committee had accordingly waited upon, and delivered to, His Excellency, the Resolutions referred to therein, and that His Excellency was pleased to express his approbation of the same.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments made by the Council to the Bill, for establishing a Public Market in the Town of Sydney, in the County of Cape-Breton; and the same having been read throughout a first and second time, 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. Archibald, pursuant to Order, presented a Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, entitled, An Act to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in several Counties and Districts in this Province, and for declaring the qualification of Persons hereafter to be appointed Justices of the said Court, their number and salaries; 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 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 gone through 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, viz.

The Petition of Lemuel Hobbs, Sen. the Petition of George Mitchell, and the Petition of George N. Russell, and others, were severally read; and thereupon,

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

referred to a select Committee, to be appointed by the House, for the purpose of examining into the merits of the same, and reporting thereon,

The Petition of the Trustees of the National School, the Petition of Daniel Sutherland, the Petition of the Steam-Boat Company, the Petition of the Committee of the Acadian School, the Petition of the Clergy and Trustees of St. Peter's Parish, the Petition of William Robertson and others, and the Petition of the Poor Man's Friend Society, were severally read, and thereupon,

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

The Petition of the Magistrates and Grand Jury of the County of Sydney, was read and thereupon.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the prayer of the Petition should be granted, and that leave be given to bring in a Bill to that effect.

The Petition of William Corbett, was read and considered, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Commissioners of the Revenue should be authorised to stay proceedings against the Petitioner.

The Petition of Joseph Oxley was read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Petition should be referred to the Members of the House who may be appointed to bring in a Scale of the sub-division of Monies granted in the present Session for the service of Roads and Bridges.

The Petition of David Henry Gisner, the Petition of Jacob Sheffroth, the Petition of the Magistrates and Overseers of the Poor, at Yarmouth, and the Petition of John Merkle and others, were severally read, and considered, and thereupon,

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

The Petition of Shubael Dimock, and others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of the County of Hants, was read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the consideration of the said Petition should be referred to the next Session.

The Petition of Francis Ryason, and others, and also the Petition of James Hall, and others, were severally read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the subject matter of the said Petitions should come under the consideration of the House with the Bill for the preservation of the Herring Fishery within the Basin of Annapolis, now before the House.

A Petition of John Patterson and others, Merchants and Inhabitants of Pictou, was read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the said Petition should be referred to the Committee of the House, appointed on the subject of the Fisheries, Commerce and Agriculture, of the Province, for the purpose of examining into the merits of the same, and reporting thereon to the House.

The Petition of Richard Tremain, and others, and also the Petition of James Archibald and others, were severally read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the subject matter of the said Petitions should come under the consideration of the House with the Bill to authorise the establishment of a Bank at Halifax.

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 George N. Ruffel, and others, be referred to Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Archibald and Mr. Roach, agreeably to the resolution passed in the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of Lemuel Hobbs, Sen. and others, be referred to Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Lawton, Mr. J. I. Chipman, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Roach, agreeably to the resolution passed in the Committee of the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the Petition of George Mitchell be referred to Mr. Haliburton, Mr. James, Mr. Blair,

Blair, Mr. Denison and Mr. Ruggles, agreeably to the resolution passed in the Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Ritchie reported from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in Bills agreeably to the resolutions passed in the Committee of Ways and Means, and accordingly presented

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, imported into this Province; also,

A Bill 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; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to regulate Sales at Auction; 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 also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, &c. and the same were severally read a first time.

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a further Conference, by Committee, on the Bill, entitled, An Act for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, &c.

The Council have agreed to the several amendments, made by this House, to a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the several Acts, passed in the thirty-second and thirty-fourth years of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, for confirming Titles to Land, and quieting possessions; and an Act, passed in the twenty-ninth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act to amend the several Acts, passed in the thirty-second and thirty-fourth years of His late Majesty George the Second, and in the first, fifth and twelfth years of His present Majesty's reign, relative to the Registering of Deeds and Conveyances, made of, or which may affect, Lands, tenements and hereditaments.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a further 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. Lawson reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Mr. Ritchie reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of John Patterfon, 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 examined into the several allegations set forth in the Petition, and are of opinion that the Light-Duty referred to therein, should not be reduced, as they conceive the injury complained of does not exist to the extent stated in the Petition.

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

Mr. Secretary George acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, signed by His Excellency, and he presented the said Message to the House; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows, viz.

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

I HAVE much satisfaction in laying before you, a Copy of a Despatch which I have just received from Earl BATHURST, enclosing a Copy of the Report made by the Commissioners of the Customs, to the Lords of His Majesty's Treasury, in reply the Address which you presented to me in the last Session of the General Assembly, on the subject of certain alleged abuses in the Custom-House Department at Halifax, and its dependant Out-Ports, by which Documents you will perceive that it is the intention of His Majesty's Government to submit a Bill to Parliament, for regulating the Fees of Custom-House Officers in His Majesty's Colonies.

JAMES KEMPT.

Mr. Secretary George also delivered to the House, by command of His Excellency, a Copy of the Dispatch from Earl BATHURST, and also, a Copy of the Report referred to in the foregoing Message from His Excellency.

The said Papers were read by the Clerk, and are as follow, viz.

*Downing Street, 11th January, 1822.*

**SIR,**

HAVING referred to the consideration of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, your Dispatch of the 10th of March last, relative to alleged abuses in the Custom House, at Halifax, I have now the honor to transmit, for your information, the Copy of a Letter from Mr. Lushington, enclosing a Report from the Commissioners of the Customs on this subject, by which you will perceive, that it is proposed to submit a Bill to Parliament, for regulating the Fees of Custom-House Officers in His Majesty's Colonies.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient humble Servant,  
(Signed) BATHURST,

To  
Lieutenant-General Sir JAMES KEMPT; G. C. B. &c. &c. &c.

*Treasury Chambers, 8th August, 1821.*

**SIR,**

HAVING laid before the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, a Report from the Commissioners of the Customs, dated the 31st ult. relating to certain alleged abuses in the Custom-House, at Halifax, and the Out-Ports attached thereto : I have it in command from their Lordships to transmit a Copy of this Report to you, for the information of Earl BATHURST, and for any observations that may occur to his Lordship thereon ; and, with reference to your Letter of the 27th April last, I am to acquaint you, that my Lords have instructed the Commissioners of the Customs to prepare a Table or Tables of Fees, for the different Colonies, with a view to the consideration of this subject in the next Session of Parliament, as suggested by you.

To HENRY GOULBURN, Esq.  
&c. &c. &c.

I am, &c. &c. &c.  
(Signed) J. R. LUSHINGTON.

COPY OF A REPORT FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CUSTOMS, TO THE LORDS COMMISSIONERS OF HIS MAJESTY'S TREASURY, VIZ.

*May it please your Lordships,*

HAVING had under our consideration the complaint of the House of Assembly of the Province of Nova-Scotia, transmitted by His Excellency Sir JAMES KEMPT, setting forth certain injuries alleged to be sustained by persons engaged in the Coasting Trade ; and that the same Fees have been received at an Out-Bay where only one Officer is in general stationed, as at the Port of Halifax, namely, for a Collector, Comptroller, Surveyor and Searcher, and a Principal Waiter : We have the honor to report that the Fee for a Principal Waiter has already been discontinued, both at Halifax, and the Out Bays ; and as to the remaining Fees, paid to the Preventive Officer, it appears that the Preventive Officer, with such aid as may be required, executes all the duty required at his Station under the superintendance of the Collector and Comptroller ; these Officers are held responsible for the due performance of this duty ; that the same Fees are due at an Out-Bay, as at the principal Port, for the like services ; and that if less Fees were to be taken at the Out-Stations, it must operate to the disadvantage of the Port where the higher Fee is charged.

That, by the Law, all Vessels are required to enter and clear at the principal Port, with the Collector and Comptroller, but as many of the Out-Bays, where Vessels take in their Cargoes, are situated at a considerable distance from the Port of Halifax, and the Masters of those Vessels were frequently put to considerable delay and inconvenience in being obliged to proceed to Halifax, for the mere purpose of Entry and Clearance ; Officers styled Preventive Officers or Pro Collectors, were stationed at those Bays for the dispatch and accommodation of Trade, at the particular request of Merchants engaged in that Trade, but this measure was never intended or proposed as a relief from the payment of the regular Fees to which Vessels were liable, when Entered or Cleared at the principal Port.

With respect to the complaints urged as to the rate of Fees charged at Halifax and the Out-Bays on Vessels, employed in what is denominated the Coasting Trade, the House of Assembly have laid great stress upon a Table of Fees, which it seems were laid before them in the year 1790, by the late Collector and Comptroller, and which differs from the Docket of 1769, at present in force. They also rely upon the practice which they allege to have prevailed in respect to the rate of Fees charged on Vessels trading from the Ports or Bays of Halifax, to the Port of St. John, New-Brunswick, prior to the dismemberment of the Province of Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick, and quote an opinion of the Commissioners of Special Revenue Enquiry, in the year 1811, upon the subject, wherein it is stated, that the Coasting Trade cannot be restricted to the Ports of Nova-Scotia alone, but must be extended to those of the Neighbouring Provinces ; also, according to the construction of the Table of Fees and that the Fees for Vessels engaged in that Trade, should in future be received at the rate specified in such Table

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As to the Docket of Fees laid before the House of Assembly in 1790, our Officers state, that they know of no such Docket, nor can they discover upon what authority the late Collector and Comptroller proceeded. It is clear that such a Table is invalid, and we are of opinion, that the only legal Table is that of 1769, by which the Officers are now governed.

As to the practice alleged to have prevailed in the rate of Fees charged on Vessels engaged in the Trade between Halifax and New-Brunswick, prior to the dismemberment, there is some disagreement as to the precise rate of the Fees stated to be charged. And we have to observe that, by the dismemberment, New-Brunswick, Cape-Breton and Prince Edward's Island, became distinct Colonies, liable to all the regulations prescribed by Law in respect to the Trade with other Colonies, and the Vessels engaged in it became subject to the Fees provided in the Docket of Fees in 1769, in regard of such Colonial Trade, instead of Coasting Fees as formerly; at the same time it would seem that the Fees legally chargeable by that Docket, upon Vessels trading with the neighbouring Ports since the dismemberment of the Province of New-Brunswick from Nova-Scotia, are a considerable restraint upon that Trade, although the Collector has in no instance exacted more, and in many instances not so much as half, of what he is authorised by that Docket legally to demand.

That should your Lordships determine to bring the subject of Fees received by the Officers of the Customs in the Colonies before Parliament, with a view to some final arrangement, it might be material, in forming a Docket in the North-American Colonies, to make some distinction in the Fees to be charged on those Vessels engaged solely in the Trade among the Provinces of Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick, and Prince Edward's Island, from those to be charged on Vessels trading to and from the United Kingdom.

We therefore feel it our duty, in justice to our Officers, and for the accommodation and relief of the Merchants, to press upon your Lordships' attention, the great importance of having the Dockets of Fees revised throughout the Colonies, as early as possible, in order that Tables, adapted to existing establishments, may be sanctioned by Legislative Authority, which might put an end to the complaints and dissensions which at present prevail in the Colonies.

(Signed)

R. B. DEANE, | G. WILSON,  
S. BARNE. | W. BOOTHBY.

Custom-House, 31st July, 1821.

*Ordered*, That the said Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and the Papers accompanying the same, 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 request a further Conference, by Committee, on the subject of the Bill for imposing Duties on Articles imported from the United States of America.

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. Haliburton 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.

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*Saturday, 16th March, 1822.*

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PRAYERS.

Mr. Church, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts now in force for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, &c. and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Marshall, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to alter the time of sitting of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Sydney, and the same was read a first time.

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

A Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act entitled, An Act to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in several Counties and Districts in this Province, and for declaring the qualification of Persons hereafter to be appointed Justices of the said Court, their number, and salaries; 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, imported into this Province; also,

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A Bill 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; also,

A Bill to continue an Act to regulate Sales at Auction; 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 also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, &c. were severally read a second time.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for establishing a Public Market in each of the Towns of Sydney and Arichat, in the County of Cape-Breton, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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 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.

Mr. Ritchie reported from the Committee on the subject of the Fisheries, Commerce and Agriculture, of the Province: and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

That the Committee have examined several Persons, respecting the present state of the Fisheries and Commerce of the Province, and as to the best mode of encouraging and protecting the same: from which enquiry it appears to the Committee, that the depressed state of the Fisheries arises from the low prices of Fish in the home market, and the high price of Salt within the Province: the first in consequence of the glut in the West-Indies, owing to an unusual supply thrown into that market, occasioned by the heavy duties imposed upon Fish imported into Spain; the other from a want of a regular supply of the article, without which the Fisheries must continue to decline.

The Committee, after mature deliberation, are of opinion, that the best mode of encouraging the Fisheries would be by securing a regular supply of Salt, through the medium of the resident Merchant, and not to depend upon transient persons furnishing that article. The Committee cannot but lament that, in the course of the enquiry, it did not appear that any one Merchant within the Province was in the habit of making regular importations of Salt for the Fisheries, but that the supply in a great measure depended upon non-residents, concerned in the Timber Trade.

The Committee are of opinion, that every encouragement should be given, to increase the quantity of Merchantable Cod-Fish, for the supply of the European and South-American Markets, which they think will tend to lead the resident Merchant into regular importations of Salt from Europe, enable him to extend his remittances to the Mother Country, and at the same time, increase the catch, and improve the Fish for the West-India Market; the Committee therefore recommend a Bounty to be granted upon Merchantable Cod-Fish, caught and cured by persons residing within the Province.

The Committee have given much consideration to the Commerce and Agriculture of the Country, and are of opinion, that the Trade with the Canadas should be fostered and encouraged as an outlet for the surplus West-India Produce, imported into the Province, and to furnish in return the necessary supply of Flour for the consumption of the Province, in place of the ruinous Flour Trade now carried on with the Americans: they recommend that a Duty of two shillings and six pence per Barrel be imposed upon Flour, (superfine and scratched) imported in foreign Vessels. That a Bounty of two shillings and six pence per Barrel be granted upon Flour imported from the Canadas; and

and also, that a Bounty of two shillings and six pence per hundred be granted upon Flour, brought to Market, made of Wheat the growth of the Province; the surplus of the Duty, after paying the bounties, to be appropriated for the encouragement of the Fisheries: which Duty and Bounties the Committee are of opinion will tend to encourage the growing of Bread Corn within the Province, induce the Merchant to enter into the Trade to the Canadas, and will check the pernicious Flour Trade so extensively carried on with the United States. The Committee beg leave further to state, that they conceive a regular Supply of Salt is necessary to the prosperity of the Fisheries: that if the Funds of the Province would justify the expenditure, they would most readily recommend the granting a Bounty to encourage the resident Merchant so to regulate his Trade as to obtain and furnish such Supply.

*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 eleven of the Clock.

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*Monday, 18th March, 1822.*

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PRAYERS.

A Bill to alter the time of Sitting of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Sydney; also,

A Bill in addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts now in force, for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, &c. were severally read a second time.

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

On motion of Mr. Halliburton, *resolved*, That a further conference be desired with the Council, on the subject of the Bill for imposing Duties on Articles imported from the United States of America, and that the Clerk do request the same.

Mr. Grassie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to extend the provisions of an Act, passed in the first year of His late Majesty's reign, for preventing Trespasses, to the Settlement of Gay's River; and also,

A Bill to amend an Act, passed in the thirty-fourth year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Second, entitled, An Act for the ascertaining Damages on Protested Bills of Exchange; and the said Bills were severally read a first time.

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

On motion, *resolved*, That this House will, To-morrow, take into consideration the Report of the Committee on the subject of the Fisheries, Commerce and Agriculture, of the Province.

Pursuant to leave given, a Petition of John M'Vicar, and others, Inhabitants of Queen's County, was presented by Mr. Dewolf, and read, praying that the House would grant an annual compensation to the Proprietors of the Bridge across the Harbour of Liverpool, upon their granting permission for all persons to pass and repass the said Bridge, free of toll, on Sundays; and also, for the like permission to the Men of the Militia, in the several days on which, by law, they are obliged to assemble: for reasons set forth in the Petition.

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

Mr. Speaker returned the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had come to 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, viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Eight Thousand Pounds should



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.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Eight Hundred Pounds should be granted for the improvement of Agriculture, under the direction of the Provincial Agricultural Society, according to a Scale to be agreed upon by the said Society.

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. W. H. Roach moved, that the Resolution for granting £800 for Agriculture be not received by the House, which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, fourteen ; against it, nineteen :

For the motion,

Mr. Parker	Mr. W. H. Roach
Mr. Church	Mr. Young
Mr. Uniacke	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Dewolf	Mr. James
Mr. Heckman	
Mr. McKinnon	
Mr. Bingay	
Mr. Fraser	
Mr. Poole	
Mr. Marshall	

Against the motion,

Mr. W. A. Chipman	Mr. W. Dickson
Mr. Blair	Mr. Albro
Mr. Grassie	Mr. R. Dickson
Mr. Roach	Mr. Haliburton
Mr. Wells	Mr. J. E. Chipman
Mr. Bishop	Mr. Denison
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Wier
Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Campbell
Mr. T. Dickson	Mr. Fleming
Mr. Morse	

So it passed in the negative.

The said Resolutions, as passed in the Committee, 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.

The Clerk reported that the Council had agreed to the Conference on the subject of the Bill for imposing Duties on Articles imported from the United States of America, as desired by the House this day.

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

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

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

On motion, *resolved*, That this House will, on Wednesday next, the 20th inst. take into consideration the Bill to authorise the Establishment of a Bank at Halifax.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on articles imported from the United States of America, and to impose additional Duties on certain articles herein enumerated.

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. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to alter the time of Sitting of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Sydney ; the Bill in addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts now in force, for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, &c. ; and also, the Bill to enable the Proprietors of  
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Wilderness Land in Onflow to open Roads through the same; and that they had directed him to report the said Bills severally to the House, 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 to them referred: which the House agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bills be engrossed.

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

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*Tuesday, 19th March, 1822.*

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PRAYERS.

A Bill to extend the provisions of an Act, passed in the first year of His late Majesty's reign, for preventing Trespasses, to the Settlement of Cay's River; also,

A Bill to amend an Act, passed in the thirty-fourth year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Second, entitled, An Act for the ascertaining Damages on Protested Bills of Exchange, were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Marshall, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to authorize the Sale of the Old Court-House and Jail, and the Lot of Land on which the same stand, at Guysborough, in the County of Sydney: and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Ritchie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in addition to an Act for regulating and maintaining a Light-House on Sambro Island, and the same was read a first time.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Bills be now read a second time, and the said Bills were severally read a second time accordingly.

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

Mr. Ritchie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for preventing Trespasses; and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Lawson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise, and to prevent frauds in the Collection of the Provincial Revenue, and the same was read a first time.

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

An engrossed Bill in addition to, and amendment of, the several Acts now in force for repairing and mending Roads, Highways, &c. was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, 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.

An engrossed Bill to alter the times of sitting of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Sydney, 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 Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Sydney.

*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 have agreed to a Bill to continue an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, in amendment of the Act for encouraging the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province, 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 to the said Bill, and the same was read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That this House do not agree to the said amendment, 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 have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to alter the times of sitting of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Sydney, without any amendment.

The Council request a Conference, by Committee, on the subject of the Resolution of this House, for granting the sum of £3000 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. Haliburton, Mr. T. Roach and Mr. W. A. Chipman, do manage the said Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

On motion, the Order of the Day was read ; and also, the Report of the Committee on the subject of the Fisheries, Commerce and Agriculture, of the Province : and thereupon,

Mr. Archibald moved, that the Report be adopted, and measures taken for carrying the same into effect, excepting such part thereof as relates to granting a Bounty upon Flour, imported from the Canadas, which being seconded, and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twenty-two ; against it, thirteen. So it passed in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Committee, appointed on the subject of the Fisheries, &c. do prepare and bring in Bills for carrying into effect part of the Report of the said Committee, agreeably to the foregoing motion, agreed to by the House.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee, appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to prepare an Address to His Majesty, on the subject of the Petition of the Merchants, and others, relating to the Commercial Intercourse between this Province and the Canadas : that the joint Committee had drawn up an Address accordingly, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

TO OUR SOVEREIGN LORD

GEORGE THE FOURTH,

BY THE GRACE OF GOD, OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT-BRITAIN AND IRELAND, KING,  
DEFENDER OF THE FAITH, AND OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF ENGLAND AND IRELAND, ON EARTH  
THE SUPREME HEAD, &c. &c. &c.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF HIS MAJESTY'S COUNCIL, AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF YOUR PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA,  
NOW MET IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

**T**HE Council and the House of Assembly of your Loyal and Faithful Province of Nova-Scotia, humbly approach the Throne ; and entreat Your Majesty to give that gracious attention to the interests of this Province, which the dutiful and loyal attachment of its People to Your Majesty would fain lead them to hope for.

Your Majesty's Subjects in Nova-Scotia have their full share in the general depression which at present embarrasses the Mercantile World, and humbly beg leave to state to Your Majesty, that the principal Commerce in which they are allowed freely to participate is a Trade with the British Colonies, and even in that they experience much interruption and difficulty.

It has long been the anxious desire of the People of this Province to establish a Trade with Your Majesty's Canadian Colonies, from whence they could obtain a supply of Flour and Bread-Corn, for the consumption of their Fisheries, and for which they have hitherto been chiefly dependent on the United States of America.

Your Majesty's Canadian Colonies are fully equal to the supply of this Province with Flour and Bread-Corn, if allowed to exchange with them the Produce of Your Majesty's West-India Colonies, which they receive from thence in return for their exported Fish, Lumber, and other articles. This Trade, so beneficial to all Your Majesty's North-American Colonies, is much restricted by an Act of Parliament, passed in the fourteenth year of His late Majesty's Reign, under which a Duty of Six Pence per gallon is exacted on all Rum, and other Spirits, imported into Canada, from any other of Your Majesty's Colonies in North-America.

THE Council and House of Assembly humbly solicit Your Majesty's attention to an Act of Parliament, passed in the twenty-eighth year of His late Majesty's Reign, by which this Duty is remitted, upon the exportation of certain enumerated Articles, being the productions of Your Majesty's Canadian Colonies, and to another Act of Parliament, passed in the forty-ninth year of His late Majesty's Reign, whereby Rum, and other Spirits, the Produce of the British West-Indies, if legally imported into the Island of Bermuda, are allowed to be imported from thence into the Canadas, free from this Duty.

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Your Majesty's Council and House of Assembly humbly solicit, that the exemption from this Duty, already granted to Your Majesty's Subjects in Bermuda, may be extended to the People of this Province, upon their exporting the Produce of the Canadas, and carrying the same to any British Province or Possession; and flatter themselves with the hope, that if the attention of Your Majesty's Parliament should be called to this subject, the Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia will be put on an equal footing with the People of Bermuda: a measure which would be highly beneficial and desirable, as well to your Majesty's Canadian Subjects as the People of this Province, and would soon render them independent of the United States of America, for their supply of Bread and Flour.

The Council and House of Assembly therefore, in behalf of all Your Loyal Subjects in this Province, humbly entreat Your Majesty to give to this subject a gracious consideration; and to accept these humble and respectful sentiments of Loyalty, Affection and sincere Attachment, to Your Majesty, universally felt and expressed by every class and degree of your Subjects in this Province.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to the said Address, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Mr. Marshall reported from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to prepare an Address to His Majesty on the subject of Depredations and Piracies committed on our Commerce in the West-India Seas: that the joint Committee had drawn up an Address accordingly, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

TO OUR SOVEREIGN LORD

**GEORGE THE FOURTH,**

BY THE GRACE OF GOD, OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT-BRITAIN AND IRELAND, KING, DEFENDER OF THE FAITH, AND OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF ENGLAND AND IRELAND, ON EARTH THE SUPREME HEAD, &c. &c. &c.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF YOUR MAJESTY'S COUNCIL, AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, OF YOUR PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA, NOW MET IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

**Y**OUR Council and the House of Assembly, on behalf of the good People of this Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Province of Nova-Scotia, humbly state to Your Majesty the distressing intelligence that the Flag of the British Merchant Ships no longer protects the Trade of Your Majesty's Subjects in the West-India Seas.

For a time the British Flag was respected in those Seas; although the Trade of Foreign Nations was plundered by armed Vessels of various denominations, but now no respect is paid to the Flag of any Nation. The Subjects of Your Majesty, engaged in peaceable Commerce, have been robbed, and treated with barbarous inhumanity, and many of them murdered; their Cargoes have been pillaged and plundered, and their Vessels made prize, and destroyed by a lawless Banditti, who rendezvous in various parts of the Island of Cuba, from whence they fit out their piratical expeditions, and find protection for their Plunder, as the Spanish Government of that Island is either unable or unwilling to punish the perpetrators of such heinous offences, or to put a stop to their lawless depredations.

THE West-India Trade is the only Commerce of any value in which the People of this Province are allowed to participate and, if not protected, they must soon abandon it, as the danger has become so great that premiums of insurance have risen to an extravagant height, and the personal danger to which Mariners are exposed, make it difficult to man Vessels in that Trade; Convoys being of little use, and the delay in such a climate proves destruction to the commodities of this Colony, which are generally of a perishable nature.

WE humbly entreat your Majesty to take this case into consideration, and to Order such steps to be taken as may be necessary to punish the perpetrators of these enormous crimes, and to secure to Your Majesty's faithful Subjects the peaceable enjoyment of their lawful Commerce.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to the said Address and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Mr. Marshall reported further from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, that the joint Committee had considered it expedient to address His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor on the foregoing subject of Piracies in the West-India Seas, and had accordingly drawn up an Address to His Excellency, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

TO HIS EXCELLENCY 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 ADDRESS OF HIS MAJESTY'S COUNCIL AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

*May it Please Your Excellency,*

**T**HE Council and House of Assembly have considered it necessary to address His Majesty, respecting the cruel and predatory war which a numerous association of Pirates are now carrying on in the West-India Seas, against the Commerce of all Nations.

WE

We beg that Your Excellency will take such steps as you may think most proper to have the Address, we now deliver to Your Excellency, presented in the most respectful manner to His Majesty, and we hope Your Excellency will take the earliest opportunity to move His Majesty's Government to give their serious attention to this very important object.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to the said Address, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

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

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*Wednesday, 20th March, 1822.*

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PRAYERS.

A Bill more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise, and to prevent frauds in the collection of the Provincial Revenue; and also,

A Bill for preventing Trespasses, were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Dewolf, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to extend an Act, passed in the forty-fifth year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the repairing, keeping in repair, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Towns of Liverpool and Lunenburg, and the same was read a first time.

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

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend an Act, entitled, An Act to regulate the appointment of Collectors, and other Officers, of Impost and Excise, and the same was read a first time.

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

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

An engrossed Bill to enable the Proprietors of Wilderiness Lands in Onslow, to open Roads through the same, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to enable the Proprietors of Wilderiness Land in Onslow to open Roads through the same.

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

Mr. Haliburton reported that the Managers had held a Conference with the Council on the subject of the resolution for granting the sum of 8000l. for the service of Roads and Bridges, agreeable to the Resolution of yesterday, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. T. Dickson have leave to return to his home on his private affairs.

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

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 the Duties imposed upon Articles imported from the United States of America, should be continued 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 consideration of Ways and Means, 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; and thereupon,

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton do prepare and bring in a Bill, agreeably to the foregoing Resolution of the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to Order, presented a Bill to continue an Act, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on Articles to be imported from the United States of America, and the same was read a first time.

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

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

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, a Letter from the Commissioners of the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, addressed to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and by His Excellency recommended to the consideration of the House, requesting that His Excellency would be pleased to recommend to the Legislature, to provide for repairing the Road from Shaw's to Sackville Bridge : transmitted to Mr. Speaker by Mr. Secretary George, by command of His Excellency.

*Ordered*, That the Letter 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 returned the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to regulate Sales at Auction ; also, the Bill 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 ; also, a Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, &c. ; and also, the Bill to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on Articles to be imported from the United States of America. And that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills to the House, severally, without any amendment. That the Committee had also gone through 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 the Province ; also, the Bill to continue an Act for raising an additional Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into the Province ; 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, &c. and 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 Bills to them referred, which the House agreed to.

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

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

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

Mr. Grassie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the inspection, and to regulate the exportation of Pickled Fish and Oil, and the same was read a first time.

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

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act to regulate Sales at Auction, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to continue an Act to regulate Sales at Auction.

An engrossed Bill 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, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, 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.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for raising an additional Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to amend and continue an Act 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 the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to amend 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 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.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to amend 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, 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 Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

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 the Bill to authorise the Establishment of a Bank at Halifax.

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 Bill to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same, which Report the House agreed to.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a Conference, by Committee, on the subject of the Bill to amend and continue an Act for raising an additional Duty of Excise, on Goods, &c.

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. Grassie and Mr. Fraser, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

On motion of Mr. Grassie, *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 request a Conference by Committee, on the Bill relating to repairing and mending Highways, Roads, &c.

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. Poole, Mr. Church, and Mr. Sargent, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

Mr. Poole 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 in addition to, and in amendment of, the several Acts now in force for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, &c. with an amendment, to which amendment they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Thursday, 21st March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendment made by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of the several Acts for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, &c. 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.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on Articles to be imported from the United States of America, 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 amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on articles to be imported from the United States of America.

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts for raising a Revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, &c. 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.

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

The Clerk delivered to the House the undermentioned Papers received by him from the Treasurer of the Province, viz.

An Abstract and Vouchers of Expenditures for Repairs on the Government-House, in the last year, amounting to £457 14 2½.

An Abstract and Vouchers of Expenditures for Repairs and Improvements to the Province House, in the said year, amounting to £127 3 7½.

An Account of John Munro, for printing the Militia Law, amounting to £25.

An Account of Edmund Ward, for printing blank Militia Returns, amounting to £14 13 ; also,

An Account of John Howe & Son, for printing the Acts passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, for transmission to England, amounting to £45 ; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts be referred to Mr. Roach, Mr. Albro and Mr. W. Dickson, who are to examine into the same, and report thereon to the House.

On motion, the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, relative to a Survey of the Province, and the Papers accompanying the same ; and also the Message of His Excellency respecting a compensation to the Treasurer of the Province, for services in issuing Treasury Notes ; and also, the Memorial which accompanied the same, were severally read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the said Messages and Papers be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion, the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, relative to a Compensation to the Surveyor-General for extra services, and the Memorial which accompanied the same, were severally read ; and thereupon,

*Resolved*,



*Resolved*, That the said Message and Memorial be referred to Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Roach and Mr. Lawton, who are to examine into the same, and report thereon to the House.

A Message from the Council by Mr. George :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to amend 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, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar, for the Support of His Majesty's Government ; and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries, of the Province ; 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 ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on Articles to be imported from the United States of America ; and 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, severally, without any amendment.

The Council have not agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for promoting the settlement and improvement of the Wild Land of the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

A Bill to extend an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the repairing, keeping in repair, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Towns of Liverpool and Lunenburg, was read a second time.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. George :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Proprietors of Wilderness Lands in Onslow to open Roads through the same ; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act to regulate Sales at Auction, severally, without any amendment.

The Council have not agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to impose a Duty on Goods imported into this Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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, were they were read, and are as follows, viz.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds should be granted, and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be expended as he shall think proper towards the obtaining of an actual Survey, to be made of the Lines and Boundaries of the several Counties and Districts of the Province, in addition to the balance of the Vote of the last Session of the General Assembly.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Five Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the Treasurer of the Province in full for his services to the present time,

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in signing and issuing Treasury Notes, and for receiving into the Treasury, and cancelling, such Notes as are now in circulation.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Halifax Steam-Boat Company, towards enabling them to keep their Boat plying between Halifax and Dartmouth.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Sixty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Poor Man's Friend Society, to aid them in carrying into effect the benevolent intentions of that Society.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Seven Pounds Ten Shillings should be granted and paid to Daniel Sutherland, for his Services as Master of the English School at the South-East Passage, from 1st May to 1st November, 1821.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Four Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid 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 Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and thereupon,

Mr. Church moved, that the Resolution for granting £500 to the Treasurer, 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:

For the motion,

Mr. Wells	Mr. Haliburton
Mr. W. A. Chipman	Mr. Marshall
Mr. W. H. Roach	Mr. Bishop
Mr. Young	Mr. O'Brien
Mr. Binyon	Mr. Heckman
Mr. Church	Mr. Wier

Against the Motion,

Mr. Blair	Mr. Albro
Mr. Ruggles	Mr. Uniacke
Mr. Roach	Mr. Lawson
Mr. W. Dickson	Mr. Ritchie
Mr. Grassie	Mr. Morse
Mr. Archibald	Mr. McKinnon
Mr. Flemming	Mr. Sargent
Mr. Dewolf	Mr. Parker

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. George:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, 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; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend several Acts relating to Firewards to the Town of Yarmouth, severally, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

*Friday, 22d March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

On reading the Journal of yesterday Mr. Haliburton moved, that the Order of the House for sending the Resolution for granting £500 to the Treasurer of the Province, to His Majesty's Council, be rescinded: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twelve; against it, nineteen;

For the motion,

Mr. Fraser	Mr. Heckman
Mr. Wells	Mr. James
Mr. W. H. Roach	
Mr. Haliburton	
Mr. W. A. Chipman	
Mr. Church	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Marshall	
Mr. O'Brien	
Mr. Young	

Against the motion,

Mr. R. Dickson	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Grassie	Mr. Ritchie
Mr. Poole	Mr. J. I. Chipman
Mr. Denison	Mr. Sargent
Mr. Robertson	Mr. Blair
Mr. Parker	Mr. McKinnon
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Flemming
Mr. Uniacke	Mr. Campbell
Mr. Archibald	Mr. Ruggles
Mr. Roach	

So it passed in the negative.

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Mr. Grassie presented to the House an Account of John Merriek & Co. for sundry painting and glazing performed for the Province Building in the year 1820, amounting to £18 15 1.

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

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 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. Ritchie, *Resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the Council, on the subject of the Bill for raising an additional Duty of Excise, and that the Clerk do request the same.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council agree to a further Conference as desired by this House on the subject of the General State of the Province; and also to a further Conference on the subject of the Bill for raising an additional Duty of Excise.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Managers who managed the last Conference on the General State of the Province, do attend at the Conference accordingly.

And they went to the Conference.

*Ordered*, That the Managers who managed the last Conference on the subject of the Bill for raising an additional Duty of Excise, do attend at the Conference accordingly.

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 amend and continue an Act for raising an additional Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend 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, severally, without any amendment.

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

£250 for the Survey of Counties.

£500 to the Treasurer.

£400 to the Picton Academy.

£150 to the Steam-Boat Company.

£60 to the Poor Man's Friend Society.

£7 10 to Daniel Sutherland.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Archibald reported, that the Managers had held a Conference with a Committee of the Council, on the General State of the Province, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Committees of this House, on the subject of the two joint Addresses of His Majesty's Council and this House, to His Majesty; and also the joint Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, which passed the House on Tuesday last, do join the Committees of His Majesty's

jefty's Council, in delivering the said Addresses to His Excellency; and that they do also join the Committees of His Majesty's Council, in requesting His Excellency to represent to His Majesty's Ministers, the great evils which would result to this Province, from the Ports in the West-Indies being opened to the Vessels of the United-States of America.

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 returned the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to limit and restrain the issuing and levying of Writs of Attachment. The Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in several of the Counties and Districts in this Province, &c. The Bill to authorize the Sale of the Old Court-House and Jail, at Guyborough, in the County of Sydney. The Bill for the preservation of the Herring Fishery within the Basin of Annapolis. And also, the Bill to extend the Act for repairing the Streets, &c. in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Towns of Liverpool and Lunenburg—and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills severally to the House without any amendment: and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's Table.

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

Ordered, That the Bills be engrossed.

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

*Saturday, 23d March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to limit and restrain the issuing and levying of Writs of Attachment upon Goods, Chattles and Estate, to the Cases of Absent or Absconding Debtors, was read a third time; and thereupon,

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

For the Motion,

Mr. Fraser	Mr. Dewolf
Mr. Denison	Mr. Freeman
Mr. W. A. Chipman	Mr. Sargent
Mr. Archibald	
Mr. Haliburton	
Mr. Grassie	
Mr. Young	
Mr. W. Dickson	
Mr. Morse	
Mr. O'Brien	

Against the Motion,

Mr. R. Dickson	Mr. James
Mr. Heckman	Mr. Bingay
Mr. Parker	Mr. Marshall
Mr. Bishop	Mr. Flemming
Mr. Ruggles	Mr. M'Kinnon
Mr. Wells	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Churoh	Mr. Campbell
Mr. Roach	Mr. W. H. Roach
Mr. Uniacke	Mr. Blair
Mr. Poole	

So it passed in the negative.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to limit and restrain the issuing and levying Writs of Attachment upon Goods, Chattles and Estate, to the Cases of Absent or Absconding Debtors.

An engrossed Bill for the preservation of the Herring Fishery within the Basin of Annapolis, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass and that the Title be, An Act for the preservation of the Herring Fishery in the Basin of Annapolis.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the sale of the Old Court-House and Jail, and the Lot of Land on which the same stand, at Guyborough, in the County of Sydney, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to authorize the Sale of the Old Court-House and Jail, and the Lot of Land on which the same stand, at Guyborough, in the County of Sydney.

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An engrossed Bill to extend an Act, passed in the 41st year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the repairing, keeping in repair, cleaning and paving, the Streets, in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Towns of Liverpool and Lunenburg, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to extend an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the repairing, keeping in repair, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Towns of Liverpool and Lunenburg.

An engrossed Bill in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act, passed in the fiftieth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in several of the Counties and Districts in this Province; and for declaring the qualification of Persons hereafter to be appointed Justices of the said Court, their number and salaries, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act, passed in the fiftieth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in several of the Counties and Districts in this Province, and for declaring the qualification of Persons hereafter to be appointed Justices of the said Court, their number and Salaries.

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

Mr. Roach reported from the Committee to whom the Accounts for Repairs to the Government House, &c. were referred, 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.

That the Committee have examined the several Demands for the Government House, amounting to £457 14 2½, and some of them, especially that of George Brockley, for fifteen shillings per day for himself, and twelve shillings and six pence per day for his man, appear to the Committee to be extravagant. That the Demands against the Province Building, amounting to £127 3 7½ appear to be correctly stated, and are for Stone Flagging, &c.; also for planting Ornamental Trees around the same, and that the charge for the Trees which were imported, amounts to the sum of £27 1 9. That the Committee have also examined the Account of John Howe & Son, for printing the Acts of the General Assembly passed in the last Session, amounting to £45; the Account of John Muturo, for printing and stitching 300 Copies of the Militia Laws, amounting to £25; and also, the Account of Edmund Ward, for printing Militia blank Returns, amounting to £14 13, making together the sum of £84 13; and that it appears to the Committee, that the above Printing was performed by order of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor; and Mr. Howe stated to the Committee, that, for the last two years, he had been required, by the Secretary of the Province, to print separate Copies of all the Acts passed in the General Assembly on fine paper, for the purpose of being transmitted by His Excellency to His Majesty's Ministers, and the Committee find that an extra sum was voted in the last Session for that service.

That the Committee beg leave to submit to the House the propriety of Commissioners being appointed to contract for, and superintend, any future repairs that may be necessary to the Government House and Public Buildings, to prevent extravagant charges, or imposition, by Mechanics and other Workmen: and thereupon,

Mr. Haliburton 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, fifteen; against the motion, nineteen. So it passed in the negative; and thereupon,

On motion, *resolved*, that the said Report, and the several Accounts referred to therein, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee appointed to wait upon and present to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the joint Address of the Council and this House to His Excellency, and also the two joint Addresses of His Majesty's Council and this House to His Majesty, which had passed this House and the Council; and that the said Committee of this House, with the Committee of His Majesty's Council, had accordingly waited upon, and delivered the said Addresses to, His Excellency: and that the joint Committee had also requested His Excellency to represent

to His Majesty's Government the evils which would result to this Province from the Ports in the British West-Indies being opened to the Vessels of the United States of America, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would transmit the two Addresses to His Majesty with his most earnest recommendation, and would also represent to His Majesty's Ministers the wishes of His Majesty's Council and this House on the foregoing subject.

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

Mr. Speaker,

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

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, And being returned,

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

An Act to amend the several Acts, passed in the thirty-second and thirty-fourth years of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, for confirming Titles to Land, and Quieting Possessions; and an Act, passed in the twenty-ninth year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act to amend the several Acts, passed in the thirty-second and thirty-fourth years of His late Majesty George the Second, and in the first, fifth and twelfth years of His present Majesty's Reign, relative to the Registering of Deeds and Conveyances, made of, or which may affect, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments.

An Act to amend and continue an Act for raising an additional Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province.

An Act to amend 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 to extend several Acts relating to Firewards to the Town of Yarmouth.

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 to regulate Sales at Auction.

An Act to enable the Proprietors of Wilderness Lands in Onslow to open Roads through the same.

An Act to amend 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, 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, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the several Acts imposing a Duty on Articles to be imported from the United States of America.

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.

An Act to alter the times of sitting of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Sydney.

An Act for establishing a Public Market in each of the Towns of Sydney and Arichat, in the County of Cape-Breton.

An Act for altering the time of holding the Courts of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Cumberland.

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 continue an Act, entitled, An Act 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 extend an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the repairing, keeping in repair, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Town of Windsor.

An Act to continue an Act in addition to an Act, passed in the thirty-third year of the reign of His late Majesty George the Second, entitled, An Act for regulating the rates and prices of Carriages.

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 the several Acts now in force, regulating the expenditure of Monies for the Service of Roads and Bridges.

An Act to 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 to continue an Act, entitled, An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for repairing, cleaning 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 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 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.

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 returned the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to provide for the support of a Light-House erected on Cranberry Island, near the entrance of the Gut of Canso, 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. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend and continue an Act, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the several Acts now in force for encouraging the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province: and the same was read a first time.

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

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

*Monday, 25th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

A Bill to amend and continue an Act, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the several Acts now in force for encouraging the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province, was read a second time.

*Resolved,*

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

An engrossed Bill to provide for the support of a Light-House erected on Cranberry Island, at the entrance of the Gut of Canlo, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to provide for the support of a Light House erected on Cranberry Island, at the entrance of the Gut of Canlo.

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

On motion, the Report of the Committee, to whom the Petitions of David Williams, and others, were referred, was read : and thereupon,

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the relief of David Williams, an Insolvent Debtor, and the same was read a first time.

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

Mr. Ritchie reported from the Committee on the subject of the Fisheries, Commerce and Agriculture, of the Province, and, pursuant to order, presented

A Bill to encourage the Agriculture and Commerce of the Province, by raising a Duty on Wheat and Wheaten Flour of the growth and produce of the United States of America, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to the leave of the House, presented a Bill to alter the Sittings of the Supreme Court at Halifax, and the same was read a first time.

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

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 £3000 for the service of Roads and Bridges,

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 in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act, passed in the fiftieth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in several of the Counties and Districts in this Province; and for declaring the qualification of Persons hereafter to be appointed Justices of the said Court, their number and salaries; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Sale of the Old Court-House and Jail, and the Lot of Land on which the same stand, at Guysborough, in the County of Sydney; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to extend an Act, passed in the 41st year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the repairing, keeping in repair, cleaning and paving, the Streets, in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Towns of Liverpool and Lunenburg, severally, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, a Memorial from Rupert D. George, Esq. the Secretary of the Province, addressed to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and by His Excellency recommended to the consideration of the House, praying for a compensation for extra services performed in making out Commissions, Bonds and Warrants, for the Road Service: and the said Memorial was read by the Clerk, and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Memorial 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 deferred the consideration of the Bill to revive and continue an Act, passed in the forty-eighth year of His late Majesty's Reign  
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entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, to this day three months. That the Committee had made some progress in the Bill for the Establishment of a Bank at Halifax, and recommended that the same be referred to a Select Committee, to be appointed by the House. That the Committee had gone through the Bill to continue an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions; and also, the Bill to amend and continue an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, to continue and amend the several Acts now in force, for encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province, and 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 to them referred, which Report the House agreed to.

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 the amendments be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to authorise the Establishment of a Bank at Halifax, be referred to Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Grassie, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Haliburton and Mr. J. I. Chipman, who are to examine into the subject matter thereof, and report thereon to the House.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Letter from the Deputy Post-Master General to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the subject of the Post Communication, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

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

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*Tuesday, 26th March, 1822.*

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PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to amend and continue an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, to continue and amend the several Acts now in force for encouraging the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to amend and continue an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the several Acts now in force for the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof, was read a third time: and thereupon,

Mr. Archibald moved, that the said 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, eight; against it, seventeen. So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to alter, amend and continue, an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and also the Act in addition to and amendment thereof.

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

A Bill for the relief of David Williams, an Insolvent Debtor; also, a Bill to alter the Sittings of the Supreme Court, at Halifax; and also, a Bill to encourage the Agriculture and Commerce, of the Province, by raising a Duty on Wheat and Wheaten Flour, of the growth and produce of the United States of America, were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Ritchie reported from the Committee on the subject of the Fisheries, Commerce and Agriculture, of the Province, and, pursuant to Order, presented,

A Bill for granting a Bounty on all Dry Cod-Fish of a certain quality, which shall be caught and cured by His Majesty's Subjects residing in this Province, and which shall be exported from the same, and the said Bill was read a first time.

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

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

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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 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 the sum of Seven 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.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Seven Hundred and Sixty-Seven Pounds Twelve Shillings and Three Pence should be granted 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 West-Chester, on the Cumberland Road, to Pugwash and Remshag.

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 not agreed to the Resolution of this House for granting the sum of £7000 for the service of Roads and Bridges.

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the subject of 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 Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Roach and Mr. Marshall, 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 request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the Cranberry Island Light House Bill.

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 Conference on the subject of the General State of the Province, 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, 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 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 the several Bills to them referred, which Report the House agreed to.

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

*Wednesday, 27th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Haliburton, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to enquire into the Expenditure of the Money granted to keep up the Inland Post Communication, for the last year, and report thereon to the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Marshall, and Mr. Grassie, be a Committee for the above purpose.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to provide for the support of a Light-House erected on Cranberry Island, near the entrance of the Gut of Canfo, without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to alter, amend and continue, an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and also the Act in addition to and amendment thereof, with several amendments, to which amendments 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, 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 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 the sum of Six Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty 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.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Two Hundred and Fifty-seven Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Two Pence Halfpenny 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 the sum of One Hundred and Twenty-seven Pounds Three Shillings and Seven Pence Halfpenny should be granted and paid to defray the Accounts of Expenditure for, and work done to, the Province House, in the last year.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Forty-five Pounds should be granted and paid to John Howe & Son, for printing the Acts passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, for transmission to England.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds should be granted and paid to John Munro, for printing the Militia Law, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fourteen Pounds Thirteen Shillings should be granted and paid to Edmund Ward, for printing Blank Militia Returns, in the last year, per account.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that it be recommended to the House to appoint

appoint a Commissioner to superintend, under the direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief, any repairs that may be necessary to be done to the Province Building and the Government-House, for the present year: said Expenditures not to exceed Four Hundred Pounds.

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.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments made by the Council to the Bill to alter, amend and continue, the 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 not agree to the amendments made by the Council to the said Bill, and that the Clerk do carry the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint the Council therewith.

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

*Thursday, 28th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received, this morning, from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a Letter from the Treasurer of the Province, addressed to His Excellency, and by His Excellency recommended to the consideration of the House: and the said Letter was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:

*Treasurer's Office, 27th March, 1822.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to acquaint your Excellency, that, on the 19th of November last, George F. Haden, Esq. Deputy-Commissary-General, sent to my Office, an altered Province Note of Five Pounds, accompanied by the enclosed Note. Considering that any obstruction to the prompt receipt of our Notes at the Commissariat, might be attended with serious inconvenience, I did not hesitate returning him a good Note in exchange.

A similar occurrence took place about the end of December, and I likewise sent a good Note in exchange, without making any charge in my Public Accounts for their value. But as in these instances I acted without any authority, and as it is possible, notwithstanding all the care and vigilance the Gentlemen in the Commissariat may take to detect any Altered or Forged Notes offered to them, other instances may still occur, and the Deputy-Commissary will no doubt expect me to exchange them as I have hitherto done.

I am therefore under the necessity of requesting your Excellency to recommend to the Assembly, that I may be indemnified for the two Five Pound Notes that have already been exchanged, and that I may be authorized to give in exchange good Notes in future, for any Altered or Forged Province Notes that may be received by the Deputy-Commissary, and sent to my office for that purpose.

I have the Honor to be, with great respect

Your Excellency's Obedient, Humble Servant,

(Signed)

MICHAEL WALLACE,

TREASURER.

To  
His Excellency Lieutenant-General Sir JAMES KEMPT, G. C. B. &c. &c. &c.

The House having taken into consideration the foregoing Letter from the Treasurer to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and His Excellency's recommendation thereof,

*Resolved*, unanimously, that this House will indemnify the Treasurer for exchanging the two Five Pound Notes, referred to in the said Letter; and it is further *resolved*, unanimously, that the Treasurer be authorized, in future, to give in exchange good Notes for any altered or forged Notes, which may be received by the Commissary-General, and sent to the said Treasurer to be exchanged; and that His Majesty's Council be requested to concur in this Resolution.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the Council, on the subject of 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 Resolution of this House for granting the sum of £6250 for the service of Roads and Bridges.

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The Council have not agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to alter, amend and continue an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and also the Act in addition to and amendment thereof; and also, A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend and continue an Act, passed in the last Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the several Acts now in force for the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province.

The Council agree to the Conference, as desired by the House, on the subject of the General State of the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Haliburton and Mr. Marshall, do manage the said Conference; and that they do, on the Conference, deliver to the Committee of the Council, a copy of the Resolution, passed this day by the House, on the subject of the Letter from the Treasurer of the Province to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the concurrence of His Majesty's Council.

And the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned,

Mr. Archibald reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had also delivered to the Committee of the Council a Copy of the Resolution of this House, pursuant to order.

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.

£457 14 2½ for Repairs to the Government-House.

£127 3 7½ for Do to the Province House.

£45 to John Howe & Son.

£14 13 to Edmund Ward.

£25 to John Munro.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, &c. with an amendment, to which amendment they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to limit and restrain the issuing and levying Writs of Attachment, &c. with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council request a further Conference on the subject of 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 do manage this Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

Mr. Roach, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the Summary Trial of Actions, 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 had gone through the Bill to encourage the Agriculture and Commerce of the Province, by raising a Duty on Wheat and Wheaten Flour, the growth and produce of the United States of America, 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 the House agreed to; and thereupon, Mr.

Mr. Dewolf moved, that the said Bill be not engrossed : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, thirteen ; against it, nineteen :

## For the Motion,

Mr. Rouch	Mr. McKinnon
Mr. Albio	Mr. James
Mr. W. Dickson	Mr. Poole
Mr. Grassie	Mr. Sargent
Mr. Dewolf	
Mr. Archibald	
Mr. J. I. Chipman	
Mr. Bingay	
Mr. Heckman	

## Against the Motion,

Mr. R. Dickson	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Wells	Mr. Haliburton
Mr. Ruggles	Mr. Young
Mr. W. H. Roach	Mr. Blair
Mr. Robertson	Mr. Kitchie
Mr. Morse	Mr. Campbell
Mr. W. A. Chipman	Mr. Marshall
Mr. Church	Mr. Denison
Mr. Fraser	Mr. O'Brien
Mr. Wier	

So it passed in the negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

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

*Friday, 29th March, 1822.*

## PRAYERS.

A Bill for the Summary Trial of Actions, was read a second time.

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

Mr. Archibald reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference with a Committee of the Council on the subject of the General State of the Province, pursuant to the Order of yesterday ; and that the Managers had received back from the Committee of the Council, the Copy of the Resolution, passed in the House yesterday, relative to the Letter from the Treasurer of the Province to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the concurrence of His Majesty's Council endorsed thereon in the words following, viz.

*In Council, 28th March, 1822.*

The foregoing Resolution having been under the consideration of His Majesty's Council, and a motion having been made that His Majesty's Council should concur therein, it passed in the affirmative.

By Order,

(Signed) WILLIAM HILL, Dy. Clerk Council.

Ordered, That the said Paper be deposited with the Records of this House.

On motion, resolved, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon, and deliver to, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a Copy of the Resolution of this House, and the concurrence of His Majesty's Council thereon, as above referred to, for the information of His Excellency.

Ordered, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Bingay, Mr. Freeman, Mr. W. A. Chipman, Mr. Wells, Mr. Denison and Mr. W. Dickson, be a Committee for the above purpose.

On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendment made by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, &c. 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.

On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of the several amendments made by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to limit and restrain the issuing and levying Writs of Attachment, &c. and the same was read throughout a first and second time ; and thereupon,

Mr. Lawson moved, that this House do not agree to the said amendments : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, eighteen ; against it, thirteen :

## For the motion,

Mr. W. A. Chipman  
 Mr. Blair  
 Mr. Morse  
 Mr. Denison  
 Mr. Poole  
 Mr. Dewolf  
 Mr. W. Dickson  
 Mr. Lawson  
 Mr. Archibald

Mr. Marshall  
 Mr. Fraser  
 Mr. Haliburton  
 Mr. Ritchie  
 Mr. Ruggles  
 Mr. Freeman  
 Mr. Wier  
 Mr. Young  
 Mr. O'Brien

## Against the Motion,

Mr. Fleming  
 Mr. R. Dickson  
 Mr. Wells  
 Mr. Parker  
 Mr. Grassie  
 Mr. Church  
 Mr. Albro  
 Mr. James  
 Mr. Routh

Mr. Robertson  
 Mr. J. L. Chipman  
 Mr. Bishop  
 Mr. Bingay

So it passed in the affirmative.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk do take the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have not agreed to the several amendments made by the Council to the same.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, and preventing the Erection of Wooden Buildings within the same beyond a certain height, without any amendment.

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act to encourage the Fisheries of this Province, to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The said Bill was read a first time.

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

On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of the general division of the sum of £6250, to be appropriated for the Service of Roads and Bridges throughout the Province, for the present year : and thereupon,

Mr. Archibald moved, that the distribution be as follows, viz.

For the Road from Halifax to Sackville	£250
For the Great Western Road	350
For the Great Eastern Road	300
For Avon Bridge	50
For the Post-Road to Cumberland	50
For Military Roads	100
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	£1,100
For the District of Halifax	422
Colchester	422
Pictou	422
For the County of Cape Breton	508
Annapolis	422
King's County	422
Queen's County	422
Shelburne	422
Lunenburg	422
Hants	422
Cumberland	422
Sydney	422
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	£6250

which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the said Distribution 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, by Monday, at twelve o'clock, a Scale of sub-division of the sum appropriated for their respective County or District, for the Service of Roads and Bridges.

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- Mr. Haliburton presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads, &c. viz.
- A Petition of James Grant and others, Inhabitants of Douglas.
  - A Petition of Jonathan Tremain, Jun. and others, for a Bridge over Shubenaccadie River.
  - A Petition of John M'Kenzie and others, Inhabitants of Douglas.
  - A Petition of John M'Donald and others, do.
- Mr. O'Brien presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads, viz.
- A Petition of James M'Phee and others, of Douglas
  - A Petition of Duncan M'Dougal and others, of Douglas
  - A Petition of Peter Grant and others, of Douglas
  - A Petition of Jacob Withrow and others, of Rawdon
  - A Petition of James Philips and others, of Upper District, Shubenaccadie
- Mr. Wier presented to the House a Petition of James Harvie and others, Inhabitants of Newport, praying aid for Roads.
- Mr. Archibald presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads, viz.
- A Petition of George Ross and others, of Earl's Town, River John
  - A Petition of William M'Kenzie and others, of Merigomishe.
- Mr. R. Dickson presented to the House a Petition of George Matthew and others, of Earl Town, River John, praying aid for Roads.
- Mr. Robertson presented a Petition of Thomas Walker and others, of Annapolis, praying aid for Roads.
- Mr. T. Dickson presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads, &c.
- A Petition of Neil M'Isaac, and others, of Cape-George, County Sydney
  - A Petition of Allen Cameron, and others, of South-River Do
- Mr. Lawson presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads, viz.
- A Petition of John Karr, and others, of the new Road from Kay's to Musquodoboit
  - A Petition of Dennis Geary, and others, of the Harbour of Chezencook
  - A Petition of Farquhar M'Donald, of Gay's River
  - A Petition of Benj. Roberts, and others, at Beach Hill, near Halifax
  - A Petition of Adams Archibald, and others of Musquodoboit, Preston and Dartmouth.
- Mr. Sargent presented to the House a Petition of John Reynolds, Sen. and others, of Port La-tour, Barrington, praying aid for a Road.
- Mr. W. Dickson presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads, viz.
- A Petition of John Johnson and others, on the Road from Truro to Salmon River.
  - A Petition of Robert Archibald and others, of Truro
  - A Petition of Alexander M'Kay and others, of Earl's Town, River John
- Mr. Dewolf presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads, viz.
- A Petition of Reverend Roger Aitken and others, of Petit River
  - A Petition of William Parks, and others, of New Dublin
- Mr. Flemming presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads, viz.
- A Petition of James Sutherland, and others, of West-Chester
  - A Petition of Alex. M'Kay and others, of Parrsborough
  - A Petition of Daniel M'Lauchlin and others, of Economy
- Mr. Blair presented to the House a Petition of Joseph Griffin and others, of Bass River and River Philip Road, praying aid for a Road.
- Mr. Albro presented to the House a Petition of William Sawers and others, Proprietors of Lands in the rear of the South-East Passage, praying aid for a Road.
- Mr. W. A. Chipman presented a Petition of Nathaniel Parker and others, praying aid for the Road from Aylesford to Luenburg.
- Mr. M'Kinnon presented a Petition of James Lent and others, of Tusket River, praying aid for a Bridge.

*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 of the sub-divisions of the sums to be appropriated for the same.



Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to revive, continue and amend, an Act, passed in the 57th year of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions; 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. Dewolf took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that had gone through the Bill for the relief of David Williams, an Insolvent Debtor; and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bill to the House without any amendment. That the Committee had gone through a Bill for granting a Bounty on all Dry Cod-Fish of a certain quality, which shall be caught and cured by His Majesty's Subjects residing in this Province, and which shall be exported from the same; and also, a Bill for granting certain Bounties on Wheat and Fine Flour, raised and produced within the Province, and exposed for sale within the Town of Halifax, and 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 to them referred, which the House agreed to.

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.

*Resolved*, That the said Bills, with the amendments, be engrossed, and incorporated in the Bill to encourage the Agriculture and Commerce of the Province, by raising a Duty on Wheat and Wheaten Flour, of the growth and produce of the United States of America, now before the House.

*Ordered*, That the Bill for the relief of David Williams, an Insolvent Debtor, be engrossed.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House an Abstract of the Expence incurred for the altering and improving the Assembly Room, under the Vote of the last Session, with the Vouchers in support of the same, amounting to the sum of £395 3 9.

*Ordered*, That the said Abstract and Vouchers do lie the Table.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with a Copy of the Resolution of this House, passed yesterday, that the Committee had, pursuant to order, 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 eleven of the Clock.

*Saturday, 30th March, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

An Act to revive, continue and amend, an Act, passed in the fifty-seventh year of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, was read a second time.

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

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to encourage the Fisheries of the Province, was read a second time; and thereupon,

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

An engrossed Bill for the relief of David Williams, an Insolvent Debtor, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass and that the Title be, An Act for the relief of David Williams, an Insolvent Debtor.

*Ordered*,

*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 passed a Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the Driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, and the Post-Road from thence to Windfor ; to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The said Bill was read a first time.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Fraser have leave to return to his home on Wednesday next, on his private affairs.

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. W. Dickson 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 Bills to them referred, which Report the House agreed to.

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

*Monday, 1st April, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to encourage the Agriculture and Commerce of the Province, by raising a Duty on Wheat and Wheaten Flour, of the growth and produce of the United States of America, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to encourage the Agriculture, Fisheries and Commerce, of the Province, by raising a Duty on Wheat and Wheaten Flour, of the growth and produce of the United States of America, and for appropriating the same.

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

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

Mr. Lawson, for the District of Halifax.

Mr. W. Dickson, for the District of Colchester.

Mr. Archibald, for the District of Pictou.

Mr. Roach, for the County of Cumberland.

Mr. Marshall, for the County of Sydney.

Mr. Bingay, for the County of Shelburne.

Mr. Dewolf, for the County of 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 under their consideration : and also the Sums appropriated for the Great Roads, and for the County of Cape-Breton ; thereupon,

On motion, *Resolved*, that there be applied for the Service of the Roads and Bridges, hereinafter described, the following Sums, viz.

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For

For repairing the Main Road from Halifax to Sackville	£250
For repairing the Main Road and Bridges from Sackville to the North end of } Bishop's Bridge in Horton.	350
For repairing of Avon Bridge	50
For repairing the main road and Bridges from Fultz's on the Windsor Road to the } entrance of Truro	300
For making and repairing Roads in the Military Settlements	100
For making and repairing Roads and Bridges in the County of Cape-Breton	508
	<hr/> £1558

To be expended under the direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, if His Excellency will be pleased to direct the same.

*Resolved*, That the sum of £422, appropriated for the Service of Roads and Bridges in the District of Halifax, be applied as follows,

From Smith's in Hammond's Plain to the boundary line of the County of Lunenburg	£40	0	0
From the head of the North-West Arm to Sutherland's Barn (Spryfield)	10	0	0
From Sutherland's Barn to Margaret's Bay, to repair Roads and Bridges	30	0	0
From ditto to Harriet's Fields	10	0	0
From the forks of Margaret's Bay road, near Umlah's, to Prospect	15	0	0
For aiding the Inhabitants to open a road from A. Veith's, towards the Dutch Village	5	0	0
For aiding the Inhabitants to open a road from Harriet Fields to Lower Prospect, by Frederick Homen's	10	0	0
From the road from Preston Saw Mills to Musquodoboit River	100	0	0
From the road from the bridge near Johnson Calbeck's leading to John Lindsay's, from thence to McHefey's } Upper Line	10	0	0
From the road from Windsor road towards Rawdon, by Beaver Bank	10	0	0
For the road from John Crookshank's over Little River, to William Cook's	10	0	0
For the road from Sheet Harbour, towards Musquodoboit	30	0	0
For the road from Robinson's towards Mrs. Green's at Lawrence Town	10	0	0
For the road from the bridge at Brown's to Ogilvie's on the middle river, Musquodoboit	10	0	0
For the road from M'Dougall's to the new bridge near Brown's on the Guysborough road	10	0	0
For the road from the head of Lake Porter, to the road leading from Preston Saw Mills, to Dartmouth	10	0	0
For the road leading from the main road down the west side of Lake Porter	5	0	0
For ditto ditto up the West side of ditto ditto	5	0	0
For the Road from Garby's on the West side of the Shubenaccadie Lake, and for building two Bridges on the } road leading to John Gibbs's	5	0	0
For the road near James Key's towards Musquodoboit	20	0	0
For the road from the western side of Chisencook harbour, to the main road below the bridge at Porter's Lake	20	0	0
For the road from Farquhar M'Donald's, to the main road leading to Truro	5	0	0
For the road from the South-East Passage beginning at the road on Joseph Gerrish's grant, and running till it } meets the Cole Harbour road	10	0	0
To aid in building a Bridge on the Shubenaccadie near Archibald's	10	0	0
For the road from Preston, and to repair the Bridge on Porter's Lake	10	0	0
For repairing the Causeway at the Meadow Brook, and repairing the Road from Moir's towards Johnson Calbeck's	12	0	0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £422, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the District of Colchester, be applied as follows:

For the road from Chiganois to Clarke's, including the repair of Great Village Bridge	£35	0	0
For the road from Great Village to Economy	10	0	0
From Economy line to Parrsborough, including a Bridge at S. Moore's	15	0	0
From R. McNutt's to James Cotton's, including a Bridge at John Graham's	30	0	0
From Londonderry towards Remshag	10	0	0
For the cross roads from A. Fleming's by Asa Clarke's, towards the road leading from Bass River to River Philip	11	5	0
For the road from John Dickson's in Onslow, to the Pictou road near J. Christis's	10	0	0
For the road from George Crow's, to M'Callum's bridge	10	0	0
For the road from Upham's towards River John, through Earl Town	11	5	0
For the road from Upham's Mills, through Kempt Town	11	0	0
From the Pictou road to Kempt Town, on the east side of Onslow	11	0	0
From Tatamaguishe road to Solomon Rude's, by Cutting's	10	0	0
From Beard's lane, to Crow's Mills	10	0	0
To finish the bridge by John Barnhill's	5	0	0
From Barnhill's to Onslow Meeting House	15	0	0
From Onslow to Tatamaguishe	25	0	0
From Dickey's to Upper Stewiacke	10	0	0
From Upper Stewiacke to Musquodoboit	10	0	0
From Halifax road to Stewiacke by Brookfield	10	0	0

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From Dickey's to Shubenaccadie Meeting House	£.12 0 0
From Fort Ellis, to Robt. Pollock's	5 0 0
From Halifax road to Musquodoboit, by Sibley's	10 0 0
From Johnston Calbeck's through Musquodoboit	10 0 0
From Henry Miller's, to Middle Stewiacke	15 0 0
From Robert Logan's in Upper Stewiacke to Pictou, through New Larwick	10 0 0
To aid the Inhabitants in building a bridge over the Stewiacke river, between Robert Gamble's and Hugh Logan's	5 0 0
For the road from Christie's to Greenfield	10 0 0
For the road from Pictou road, within two miles of Salmon river, to Salmon river	5 10 0
For the road leading from the Halifax road to Jonathan Archibald's Mills at the foot of the Eleven Mile Lake	5 0 0
For the road from the new bridge near Alex. Hanley's, to George Wilson's, Truro	5 0 0
For the road from the late George Young's farm to Halifax road, between Samuel Clarke's and Dunlop's farms	10 0 0
For the road from Christie's to the district line, between Colchester and Pictou	20 0 0
For the road from the new road leading from the Black Rock in Truro, to open the road past the late G. F. } and John Crow's farm on the Shubenaccadie	5 0 0
For the road Henry Hughes's on the east side of the Shubenaccadie river, to Green's farm	15 0 0
For the road from the Old Barns to Shubenaccadie, by Sanderson's	10 0 0
For the road from the lower village of Truro, to the forks on the Halifax road	10 0 0

**Resolved,** That the sum of £422, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the District of Pictou, be applied as follows, viz.

For the road and bridges from the line dividing Pictou and Colchester towards Pictou	£.31 0 0
For the road from River John to Tatamagouche	20 0 0
For the road from River John to Pictou	20 0 0
To repair the road and bridges from the bridge on the Little River, East River, to Blanchard's, on the West River	30 0 0
For the road from New Glasgow to the Pine Tree Gut	10 0 0
For the road and bridges from the Pine Tree Gut to the Line of the County of Sydney	50 0 0
For the road from Charles Brown's to M'Kay's Gut, joining the road to Fisher's Grant	15 0 0
For the road and bridges from Fisher's Grant towards the Meeting-House on the East River	20 0 0
For the road from the East River Meeting-House towards the Upper Settlement	15 0 0
To open the road for the south side of the West River, from Angus M'Kay's towards the New Settlement	10 0 0
For the road from the Green Hill to Stewiacke, by Fraser's Mill, through the New Settlements of New Larwick and } Garlock towards commencing at the out settlements working towards Green Hill	10 0 0
For the road from the Settlements of New Larwick and Garlock towards Stewiacke, on the present line of road to } the Middle River	10 0 0
For the road from the west branch of the River John towards Roger's Hill	10 0 0
For the road from John Mattheson's, Roger's Hill, to the main road leading to Pictou	10 0 0
For the road from the Little Island to the Middle River Bridge	10 0 0
For the road from the Little Island, through Lochbroom, to the bridge at Blackie's at the West River	10 0 0
For the road between Middle and East River, from Andrew Marshall's, and to assist the Inhabitants to build a } bridge across the Middle River, at Duncan Fraser's	10 0 0
For the road from Abercrombie's Point towards west branch East River	15 0 0
For the road from Fisher's Grant to Little Harbour	10 0 0
For the road from M'Lellan's Mountain to the head of the Tide	10 0 0
For the road leading from D. Langille's, River John, up said river	6 0 0
For the road from the Settlement at Andrew Munro's, by Robt. M'Connell's, to River John road, leading to Pictou	10 0 0
For the road from the East River to M'Lellan's Brook, to Alexander M'Donald's	15 0 0
For the road from M'Lellan's Mountain towards St. Mary's	10 0 0
To open and make a road from Little Harbour, by New Blyth, to the East River, by A. Anderson's	10 0 0
From River John to Onslow, through Earl Town	10 0 0
From Deacon's to Cariboo, round the shore by D. Lowden's	15 0 0
To assist the Inhabitants of the West River to erect a Bridge across one of its branches, near the Salt Springs	10 0 0
To assist in opening a road from Barney's River, in Merigomische, to St. Mary's	10 0 0

**Resolved,** That the sum of £422 appropriated for the Service of Road and Bridges in the County of Annapolis, be applied as follows, viz.

From Chute's Cove, in Granville, to the Wilmot line	£.10 0 0
From Chute's Cove, westwardly, to the cross road at Phinny's	15 0 0
From the cross road by Rickerson's, in Granville, westwardly, to the cross road at Young's	10 0 0
For the road under the Mountain in Granville, from Sanders's to the Wilmot line	10 0 0
For the road on the north side of the Mountain in Granville, from M'Kenzie's cross road to the Gut of Annapolis, } Wilmot	10 0 0
For the road called General Ruggles's road in Wilmot, to the Bay of Fundy	15 0 0
From the Ruggles road to the Stronock road, at the foot of the Mountain	10 0 0
For the main road in Wilmot, from Brown's hollow to Elm Tree Brook	15 0 0
For the improvement of the road from Annapolis to, and through, the Dalhousie Settlement	25 0 0
To aid the Settlers in the Perot grant to improve the road from the Dalhousie road through their settlement	10 0 0
To aid the Inhabitants of Annapolis and Clements, to open a road from Annapolis to Harmony Settlement, towards } Liverpool	20 0 0
To improve the road to Digby, by the way of the Hessian Line, from Bechler's farm to the Hessian Line corner	10 0 0
To aid the Inhabitants of Clements to alter the main road from Moose river towards Bear river	20 0 0
For the cross road, by Beal's farm to the Liverpool road	10 0 0
For the cross road from the main road in Annapolis to the Dalhousie Settlement, by Morse's farm	10 0 0
For repairing the bridge across Bear River	22 0 0

For

For the road near Digby, from Samuel Magee's to the sea wall, including the road over the Mountain, by Gilbert Post's, to the Scotch Settlement towards Gulliver's Hole	L.20 0 0
For the road from Turner's bridge, through the Scotch Settlement, including the cross road from Broad Cove to John Post's	20 0 0
For the road from Little River to Petit Passage	10 0 0
For the road from Eliab Bell's through the north range to No. 33 including the road from St. Mary's Bay to the north range	30 0 0
For the road on the west side of Bear River, and repairing the hill at the Ferry	10 0 0
For the bridge at the head of the Little Goggin, near Jacob Woodman's	10 0 0
For new road leading from Scissiboo Falls to Tusket River	30 0 0
For the road in rear of Taylor's farm and Journey's farm, at Scissiboo	14 0 0
For the cross road leading from the main highway, between James E. Payson's farm and Nathaniel Payson's farm to the road in the rear of Taylor's and Journey's farm	6 0 0
For the road between second and third division in Clare, and cross roads to the same	30 0 0
For the bridge across Meteghan River, Clare	8 0 0
For the road on each side of Salmon River Bridge in Clare	8 0 0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £422, appropriated for the Service of Roads and Bridges, in the County of King's County, be applied as follows, viz.

For the main road leading to Annapolis, from Sharp's to the West bounds of Cornwallis; and for the road past Joel Inglishe's to Canaan road, and the Bridge over Mill-Brook, and by William Ward's to the Horton line, and from near Sharp's to Strong's	L.15 10 0
For the road past Silas Rand's by Condon's Mill or John Worth's to the Annapolis road; and for the road from John Worth's past Abner Woodworth's; and for the road by Benjamin Condon's to Chase's and Skinner's Mill; and for the road from James Newcomb's to the Road past Silas Rand's, and from said Newcomb's Westerly to Homes Morton's	15 0 0
For the road from Little Lake by Nathaniel West's and Ahira Calkin's past Benjamin Burges's to the Black Rock road; for the road from Burges's on the Mountain, to the Black-Rock road; for the road near Peter Woodworth's and James Barbridge's, on the road leading to Aylesford Church; and for the road past John Peart's to the road by Asael Beatty's	15 0 0
For the road from Randall Hilsley's to the Bay of Fundy, for the Cross roads to Hall's Harbour, from Charles Fitch's by William North's, and from the road from Stephen Porter's and Abraham Master's farm, past John Woodworth's and Noah and Samuel Rockwell's to the main road, leading to Aylesford Church	15 0 0
For the road from Black Rock to the Road by Silas Rand's, to Condon's Mill	12 10 0
For the road from Baxter's Harbour by Davison's to the foot of the Hill near Harris's; and for the road past Lyons's Farm to Sandford's, and up the Mountain to Stephen West's; and from Charles Wood's by Timothy Thorp's to the road leading to Baxter's Harbour	15 0 0
For the main road past John H. Chipman's and Little Lake, leading to Aylesford Church, to the west bounds of Cornwallis	12 10 0
For the road from Daniel Huntley's, to the Basin near White Waters	9 0 0
For the road leading over the Dike, by Benjamin Weavers's, to the settlement of Bass Creek, westwardly to the road leading to Pero	7 10 0
For the road from Scotch Bay to Cornwallis	8 10 0
For two roads from Jonathan Loomer's to the Bay	7 10 0
For the road leading westerly from the Morden road, under the mountain, towards Wilmot, near Thomas Tupper's	10 0 0
For the Morden road, and for the road leading to Aylesford Church, from the west bounds of Cornwallis	20 0 0
For the Ormsby road, northerly, near the line of William Parker's and John West's land	7 10 0
From Clermont to the Bay of Fundy	7 10 0
For the road leading southerly near Samuel Parker's to the New Canaan road	7 10 0
To assist in opening the new road leading to Lahave	7 10 0
For the road from the Falmouth line to the south side of the Lower Bridge on the Gaspereau River by Mount Denson	15 0 0
For the road from the north side of the said bridge to Dawson Patterson's	10 0 0
For the road from the north side of Bishop's Bridge, to extend to and cut down the Love Lass Hill	15 0 0
For the road from J. Allan's to Nathaniel Davison's, on the Top of the Mountain	10 0 0
For the road from Daniel Colewell's to the Davison Road	10 0 0
For the road from Beach Hill South to Sherbrooke Settlement	10 0 0
For the road from the Upper Bridge over Gaspereau River through New Canaan to the Sherbrooke road	10 0 0
For the road from Benjamin's Mill up the South Mountain	10 0 0
For the road from Martin's Mill to Pittsburg	10 0 0
For the road from S. Fitch's to the Post road	8 0 0
For the road over the Mill Brook by Stokes's	5 0 0
For the Middle Bridge by Simon Fitch's, Esq.	20 0 0
For the road from Partridge Island to Cumberland	10 0 0
For the road from D. Dickenson's to J. Hodges's	10 0 0
For the road from the Cumberland road to Harrington's	10 0 0
For the road from George Butler's to Cranberry Lake	10 0 0
For the road from George Newcomb's to New Prospect	8 0 0
For the road from the Cumberland road to Ram's Head	10 0 0
For the road from Ram's Head to Rutchford River	10 0 0
For the road from Rutchford's River to Advocate Harbour	10 0 0
For the road from Jeffers's, by Caleb Lewis's, to the bounds of Cumberland County	10 0 0
For the road from the Five Islands to the River Macan	8 0 0

*Resolved*,

**Resolved**, That the sum of £422, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Queen's County be applied as follows, viz.

For the road from Morton's to Brookfield, on the main road leading to Annapolis	£ 150 0 0
For the road from Brookfield to Caledonia	25 0 0
From the Caledonia road to Harmony	25 0 0
From Herring Cove to Mills Village	75 0 0
From Port Medway to Herring Cove	25 0 0
From Sandy Cove to Herring Cove	25 0 0
From little Beech Hill to Broad River	50 0 0
From Port Mutton to the bounds of Shelburne County	25 0 0
From Chatsey's Farm to Scott's, on the western head	22 0 0

**Resolved**, That the sum of £422, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Shelburne, be applied as follows, viz.

For the road and bridges from Shelburne to Jordan river	£ 15 0 0
From Jordan River to Sable River	15 0 0
From Shelburne to the Welch Settlement	15 0 0
From Shelburne to the Beaver Dam	76 0 0
From Beaver Dam to Clyde River	20 0 0
From Clyde River to Barrington	50 0 0
From Barrington to Still-water bridge	20 0 0
From Still-water bridge to Aaron Spinney's	4 0 0
From Aaron Spinney's to Andrew Frost's	12 0 0
From Andrew Frost's to John Jeffery's	16 0 0
From Charles D'Entrimont's to John Spinney's	10 0 0
For building a bridge over Garil's falls	34 0 0
From the French Chapel, to Tuskett Village	30 0 0
From Perry's, Yarmouth, to Annapolis County	15 0 0
From Jigogin river at Sullivan's to Churchill's mill	15 0 0
From Samuel Stilton's, to the north line	50 0 0
From Jacob Tedford's, to Salmon river bridge	15 0 0
From Jacob Kellum's, to John Vickery's	15 0 0
From John Kiuney's, to Seth Johnston's	10 0 0
From Tuskett bridge, to Gabriel V. Norden's	15 0 0

**Resolved**, That the sum of £422, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Lunenburg, be applied as follows, viz :

For the road from Martin's river, to Kneese's mill	£ 20 0 0
For the road from Peter Zwicker's, Mahone Bay, to Lunenburg, on the north-west street	25 0 0
For the road from George Beck's, to Frolick's at Lahave	10 0 0
For the road from Wagner's ferry, New Dublin, to Petit River bridge	15 0 0
For the road from Petit River bridge, to Queen's County	20 0 0
For the road from Leonard Jung's, to Rudolf's at Lahave	20 0 0
For the road from Rudolf's to Nicholson's, and to build a new bridge at Michael Hertle's	25 0 0
For the road from Nicholson's, to the Germain Settlement	15 0 0
For the road from Lahave, to Pleasant river	30 0 0
For the road from Thomas Zwicker's to Peter Vienot's at 300 acre lots	10 0 0
For the road from Mush-a-Mush to the Sherbrooke Settlement	20 0 0
For the road from Eisenhart's Bridge, North-West Range, to Blystner's farm	10 0 0
For the road from Mullock's, to Adam Winacht's	10 0 0
For the road from Sarty's at Lahave river, to Conquer-all Settlement	15 0 0
For the road from Petit river bridge to Sperry's, New Dublin, on the sea shore	10 0 0
For the road from Petit river, to the settlement called New Italy	15 0 0
For a bridge, and to improve the road from John Heb's, to Garret Whyles's late farm	10 0 0
For the road from Zwicker's Block House, to the 300 acre lot, No. six, second division letter E.	12 0 0
For the road from Meder's Cove, to Lunenburg	10 0 0
For the road from Pernette's Hill, on the Windsor road, to the Long Swamp	40 0 0
For the road from the Long Swamp towards Windsor	40 0 0
For the road from Capt. Evans's, to the Camp, so called	10 0 0
For the road from Gold River bridge, to Barkhouses	10 0 0
For the road from Rose Bank bridge, to Lantize's	15 0 0
For the road from the west side of Gold River, to Refuse's farm	5 0 0

**Resolved**, That the sum of £422, appropriated for the Service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Hants, be applied as follows, viz.

For the road to the Panuke Lakes beyond Hunter's clearing in Windsor	£ 10 0 0
For altering and improving the road in Windsor, from the Lime Spring to the Trecothic Bridge	20 0 0
For the road leading from Windsor to Chester, from Rocky Point to John Hutchinson's	32 0 0
For the road in Falmouth, from Knowles's to the old Horton road near John Manning's	8 0 0
For the Half-Way River Bridge, and the road to the Horton line in Falmouth	12 0 0
For the road in Newport, from John Smith's to the road by John Dimock's, Esq. in Rawdon	17 0 0
For the road from Ward's to John Lockhart's Farm, and to alter the road so as to avoid a steep hill	10 0 0
For the road from Kenetcook Bridge to Cogmagun Bridge	8 0 0

For the road on the north side of Kenetcook from the Bridge to Noah Anthony's	£.10 0 0
For the road from Hugh Smith's to Richard Anthony's	8 0 0
For the road from George Mosher's to Elias Dimock's	7 0 0
For the main road from the Halifax road at Daniel Wier's to Constantine's	10 0 0
For the road from Salter's to the Cognac road	3 0 0
For aiding the Inhabitants to improve the Bank of the river St. Croix, opposite Winkworth, so as to make it pass- able for carts	} 17 0 0
For the main road from Lawrence's to the main road in Douglass	41 0 0
For the road from Higgins's to the Nine Mile River, to commence at Wallace's	6 0 0
For the road from Haley's to the line of the Township of Newport, leading to Hurvey's	6 0 0
For the road from Harvie's by Fenton's to B. Casey's	10 0 0
For the road from Whitter's to Thompson's on the Beaver Bank	22 0 0
For the road from Mosher's to Douglass Church	12 0 0
For the road from Douglass Church to Shubenaccadie	10 0 0
For the road from Petit to Tenecape	10 0 0
For the road from the Five Mile River to Paul Woodworth's	10 0 0
For the road from Shubenaccadie to Peter Grant's	10 0 0
For the road from Taggart's to Ellis's Mill	7 0 0
For the road from Mahane's to the Shubenaccadie Bridge	25 0 0
For the road to the Gore Settlement	7 0 0
For the road from Douglass Church, near Singer's, to the Nine Mile River	15 0 0
For the Noel road at Kenetcook to Isaac Whitter's towards Beaver Bank	29 0 0
For aiding in building a bridge over the river Shubenaccadie, near Reed's (or Tremain's so called) in addition to any sum that may be applied out of the Halifax appropriation	} 10 0 0
For the road on the Shore District, from Gardner Wilcox's to Fulton's, including the repair of Rainy Cove Bridge and the road from Fulton's to Petit	} 16 0 0
For the road from Fulton's to the mouth of Petit River	4 0 0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £472, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Cumberland, be applied as follows, viz.

For the road and bridges from Clark's on the Cumberland Mountain to Amherst, the sum of sixty pounds, in addition to the sum of fifty pounds given in the general disposition of the road vote, in all	} £.110 0 0
For the road from Macan to River Hebert	12 0 0
For the road from Barronsfield to Patridge Island, four pounds of the same to be laid out near William Shipley's	12 0 0
In further aid for building a bridge over Macan River near William Ripley's, the money to be drawn on a Certificate of a Special Sessions, that the materials have been furnished and supplied, and the build- ing of the bridge in progression	} 80 0 0
For the road from Macan to River Philip	10 0 0
For the road from River Philip to Bass River, and to aid the Inhabitants in building a bridge over the river near Stephen Oxley's, in addition to the subscription for that purpose	} 30 0 0
For the road from Amherst to Shenemacas and Goose River, commencing at Freeman's Mill	23 0 0
For the road from the said road leading to the Gulf shore, near Peter McElman's	10 0 0
For the road from Gabriel Purdy's, to Remsheg River, by Bebee's	15 0 0
For the road from Bebee's to Harbour of Remsheg	15 0 0
For the road from Pugwash to Peter Angevine, including the bridge near his house	15 0 0
For the road from Ramsheg to Londonderry by Folly Lake, commencing at George Hart's	25 0 0
For the road from town plot of Remsheg, to John Tuttle's, on the road leading to Amherst	10 0 0
For the road from Pugwash Harbour towards the River Philip, near John Ripley's	15 0 0
For the road from John Tail's at River Philip, to head of Remsheg Harbour near A. Forshner's	20 0 0
For the road from Pipe's on the Napan to the Post Road near William Black's	10 0 0
For the completing the road on the Marsh near the bridge, across the head of Remsheg Harbour near John Tuttle's	10 0 0
For the road towards the Mouth of River Philip, called the Leicester Road	10 0 0
For the new road leading from the Macan Settlement, towards the half-way river on the Parrsborough road	10 0 0
For the road and bridges from Amherst to the bounds of King's County, towards Patridge Islands	30 0 0

*Resolved*, That the sum of £422, appropriated for the Service of Roads and Bridges, in the County of Sydney, be applied as follows, viz.

To repair the Bridges on the road from the district line of Pictou, to Malignant Cove	£.15 0 0
For the road from Malignant to Dorchester Village	35 0 0
For the main road from Dorchester Village to Guysborough, as far as the Black River, on said road	30 0 0
For the road from the Black River to Brown's Bridge, at the interval of Guysborough	30 0 0
For the road from Brown Bridge to John Crestine's, and to repair the bridges on said road	10 0 0
For the road from the cross roads at St. Mary's to the head of the tide at Sherbrooke	25 0 0
To assist in building a Bridge over the stream of water near Ogden's Pond, on the road from the harbour of An- tigonishe to Cape George	} 20 0 0
For the road from the Guysborough road, on the east side of the south river, to John Cumming's, on said river	10 0 0
To repair the bridges on the road from the Guysborough road, on the west side of the south river, to the cross roads at Country Harbour	} 10 0 0
To assist in opening a road in a direct line from the east side of the west river of Antigonishe, where the road leading from the Village at Dorchester to the Salt Springs crosses the same to the head of Lochabar Lake, and to assist in building a bridge over the west river on the road to Salt Springs	} 20 0 0
For the road from Robert Campbell's House at the North Grant to the County Line	25 0 0
For the road from the Ferry at Antigonishe Harbour to Little River, and to repair bridges on the said road	10 0 0

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For the road from Little River to Tracadie river bridge	£10 0 0
To repair and keep up the bridges on the road from Tracadie river bridge to Pirate Harbour	10 0 0
To repair and keep up the bridges on the road from Pirate Harbour along the Gut of Canzo, to Red Head, and towards repairing the said road	15 0 0
For the road from the Ferry in Manchester, through Boylston, to the Gut on Cause	25 0 0
For the road from Millford Haven to Tracadie	15 0 0
For the main road from the Church in Guysborough to the Cross Roads in Country Harbour	40 0 0
For the road from the cross roads at Country Harbour to the County Line at St. Mary's	25 0 0
To repair the bridges on the road from John Hyde's, at Salmon River, to Little Conso, and to repair the said road	17 0 0
To assist in opening a road from Patrick Kennedy's, at the Village at Dorchester, to the Widow M'Eachern's, at the back Settlement in Knoydart, on the Gulf Shore, in addition to a sum of money subscribed for the purpose	15 0 0
For the road from Angus M'Donald's, on the main road from Dorchester Village to Guysborough, to the rear Settlement on the west side of the said main road	10 0 0

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

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Memorial of R. D. George, Esq. Secretary of the Province, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. W. A. Chipman reported from the Committee to whom the Account of John Merrick and Co. was referred, and afterwards delivered the Account in at the Clerk's Table: and thereupon, *Resolved*, That the said Account be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, that a further Conference be desired with the Council on the subject of the General State of the Province, 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 on the General State of the Province, 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.

Mr. Ritchie reported from the Committee to whom the Bill to authorise the Establishment of a Bank at Halifax 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 said 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 had gone through the Bill in amendment of an Act for appointing Commissioners of Sewers, 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 the House agreed to.

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

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the Resolutions for applying Monies to 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. Archibald, Mr. Lawson and Mr. Ritchie, 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, 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 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 the sum of Fifteen Pounds should be granted and paid to Archibald M'Neil, for his services as Master of the English School in the Township of Digby, from 1st November, 1820, to the 31st October, 1821.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to Rupert D. George, Esq. Secretary of the Province, for his services since the year 1816, and including 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 the sum of Five Hundred Pounds should be granted for the repair of Bridges, &c. on the Main Roads in this Province, to be applied, and inserted in the Appropriation Act of the present Session, in the usual manner.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Eighteen Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Eleven Pence should be granted and paid to John Merrick & Co. for sundry painting and glazing done to the Province Building in the year 1820, per account.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to Matthew Angus, Samuel Angus, and John Angus, to assist them in erecting a Flax Mill, with the view of establishing a Linen Manufactory, in the County of Cumberland, not to be drawn from the Treasury until the work is completed and certified.

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. Ritchie reported from the Committee, to whom the Memorial from the Surveyor-General to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was referred, and he read the Report in place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

That the Surveyor-General rendered to the Committee an Account for making Plans, &c. for the use of the Land Commissioners, under the direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, amounting to £127 15, which Account is hereto annexed, and the Committee, having considered the same, are of opinion the charges are reasonable, and recommend the payment thereof. That the Committee beg leave further to report, that, in the year 1816, the General Assembly granted the sum of £750, to enable His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to remunerate the Surveyor-General, for any Expenses he might be at in running the lines of the Counties and Townships within the Province, and that, by the Journal of the House, it appears that the Surveyor-General expended for the above Services £828 4 2, leaving a balance due to him of £78 4 2, the payment of this sum the Committee beg leave also to recommend ; and thereupon,

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

Mr. Haliburton reported from the Committee appointed to enquire into the expenditure of the money

money granted to keep up the Inland Post-Communication for the last year, 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, viz :

That it appears to the Committee, from the statement of the Deputy-Postmaster-General, who attended the Committee, that the Money granted has been applied agreeable to the statement here-to annexed ; that the Inland Postages have been given to the different Couriers employed, in addition to the sums allotted to them out of the permanent grant. That the communication to Pictou has ceased to become a charge to the Province, as the Postage is now sufficient to keep up that line of communication ; that a reduction of £30 has been made from the allowance to the Post to Antigonishe ; that as soon as any one line of communication will support itself by the Postages, the Provincial allowance will not be expected. That the re-annexation of Cape-Breton, has occasioned additional expense for Post-Communication with that County ; so that at present no reduction of the sum granted can take place, if the different Post Establishments are to be kept up. That should the sum of £90, allowed from Halifax to Horton, and £110, from Horton to Digby, be withdrawn, the Post to those places could only be continued once in a fortnight ; that if the allowance for the Digby Packet to St. John was withdrawn, the Post could continue as usual, once a week, except to St. John. That the Inland Postage at the different Offices, at Windsor, Horton, Annapolis and Digby, amount to about £168 per annum, and nearly to this sum is paid by the General Post-Office to the Couriers on those lines. That the keeping up the communication by Post to the various parts of the Province, other than those established by the Deputy-Postmaster-General, are advantageous to the Commercial Interests, and otherwise beneficial to the Inhabitants of the Province, but not to the Post-Office ; on the contrary it occasions infinite trouble, and is attended with expense. That the General Post-Office maintains the Route to Pictou, to Dorchester in New-Brunswick, and to Prince Edward Island. That the Committee requested to be informed by the Deputy-Postmaster-General, if the Communications from the several Agricultural Societies in the Province, with the Central Board at Halifax, and also, letters, &c. to the Members of the Assembly, during the Session, could, in consequence of the Provincial Grant, be conveyed free of expense, but it was answered by him in the negative, and that, unless application was made to the Postmasters-General, in England, and leave obtained, it could not be done. That the Committee forbear to offer an opinion as to the expediency of discontinuing part of the Post Communication, but submit the same to the House.

Mr. Haliburton also delivered to the House, the Statement referred to in the foregoing Report, which was read by the Clerk, and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Report and Statement 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.

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*Tuesday, 2d April, 1822.*

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PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, to regulate the Driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, and the Post-Road from thence to Windsor, was read a second time.

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

An engrossed Bill in amendment of an Act for appointing Commissioners of Sewers, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in amendment of an Act for appointing Commissioners of Sewers.

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

On motion, *resolved*, that a further Conference be desired with the Council, on the subject of the Resolutions for applying Monies for the service of Roads and Bridges, and that the Clerk do request the same.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Hill :

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Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for the relief of David Williams, an Insolvent Debtor, without any amendment.

The Council agree to a further Conference as desired by the House, on the subject of the Road Resolutions.

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. 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 Twelve Resolutions of this House, for specifically applying the sum of £6250 granted for the service of Roads and Bridges, throughout the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, a Letter received by him this morning, from Mr. Atcheson, the Agent of the Province, and the same was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :

*London, 7th December, 1821.*

*SIR,*

I BEG to inform you, that the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty Treasury, have received a Report from the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, on the Fees taken in the several Colonies; and that it is proposed to submit a Bill to Parliament, early in the next Session, to remove the grievances which have been the subject of complaint from various Colonies, and to substitute a reduced scale of Fees, instead of the present exorbitant charges.

As regards the Fees taken at the Custom-Houses, in Nova-Scotia, I have pleasure in stating, that their Lordships have directed certain Fees to be discontinued, and others to be reduced, which were the particular objects of representation in the Report and Resolutions of the Honorable the House of Assembly, as being most oppressive to the Colony; I regret that it is not in my power to communicate these particulars more in detail, but, I have reason to hope the whole of this information has been already communicated to His Excellency the Governor, or to yourselves, through the Colonial Office, as I understand the Copy of the Report of the Commissioners of the Customs, and the decision of the Lords of the Treasury, were transmitted to that Office some time since. I hope you have received the several papers I have transmitted to you in the course of the Summer.

I have the Honor to be,

Sir, Your Most Obedt. Humble Servant,

(Signed)

NATHANIEL ATCHESON.

To the Honorable S. B. ROBIE, Esq. Speaker of the }  
House of Assembly, Halifax, Nova-Scotia.

*Ordered,* That the Letter 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 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 Bills to them referred, which Report the House agreed to.

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

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*Wednesday, 3d April, 1822.*

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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.

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The Chairman reported from the Committee that had gone through the Bill in amendment of the Act to regulate the appointment of Collectors, and other Officers, of Impost and Excise, and had directed him to report the Bill to the House without any amendment. That the Committee had gone through the Bill for the Summary Trial of Actions; and also, the Bill to revive, continue and amend, an Act, passed in the fifty-seventh year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and 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 to them referred, which Report the House agreed to.

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

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

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

An engrossed Bill in amendment of an Act to regulate the appointment of Collectors, and other Officers, of Impost and Excise, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in amendment of an Act to regulate the appointment of Collectors, and other Officers, of Impost and Excise.

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

An engrossed Bill for the Summary Trial of Actions, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Mr. Heckman moved, that an enacting clause be added to the said Bill, in the words following, viz.

*And be it further enacted*, That all Causes where the sum demanded shall be more than three pounds, and does not exceed five pounds, the Party Plaintiff shall cause the Debtor to be summoned to appear before any two Justices of the Peace of the County or District where such Debtor shall dwell, and the said Justices shall examine and enquire into the merits of the case, to ascertain the Debt due, and to give judgment accordingly: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, eighteen; against it, twelve: so it passed in the affirmative.

Mr. Roach then moved that the Bill do pass, which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, ten; against it, nineteen:

For the Motion,

Mr. Roach	Mr. Morse
Mr. Ruggles	Mr. Robertson
Mr. W. Dickson	
Mr. Grussie	
Mr. Blair	
Mr. Ritchie	
Mr. Marshall	
Mr. Haliburton	

Against the Motion,

Mr. W. A. Chipman	Mr. W. H. Roach
Mr. Bishop	Mr. Young
Mr. Denison	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Wells	Mr. O'Brien
Mr. Poole	Mr. James
Mr. Parker	Mr. Campbell
Mr. Flemming	Mr. Bingay
Mr. Heckman	Mr. McKinnon
Mr. Wier	Mr. Sargent
Mr. Church	

So it passed in the negative.

On motion, *resolved*, That the said Bill 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 Five Resolutions of this House, for granting the following sums, viz.

£200 to Rupert D. George, Esq.

£767 12 3 for the Post Communication

£800 for the encouragement of Agriculture

£18 15 11 to John Merrick & Co.

£500 for Bridges on the Great Roads.

The Council have not agreed to two Resolutions of this House for granting the following sums, viz.

£50 to Matthew Angus, and others.

£15 to Archibald M'Niel.

The Council have not agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to encourage the Agriculture, Fisheries and Commerce of this Province, by raising a Duty on Wheat and Wheaten Flour, of the growth and produce, of the United States of America, and for appropriating the same.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a further Conference by Committee on the subject of the General State of the Province.

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.

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 Bills to them referred, which report the House agreed to.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee appointed to hold a further Conference with a Committee of His Majesty's Council, on the subject of the General State of the Province, that they had held the said Conference, and that the joint Committee of the Council and this House had drawn up an Humble Address to His Majesty, on the subject of opening the Ports in the British West-Indies to Foreign Vessels, 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, viz.

TO OUR SOVEREIGN LORD

**GEORGE THE FOURTH,**

BY THE GRACE OF GOD, OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT-BRITAIN AND IRELAND, KING, DEFENDER OF THE FAITH AND OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF ENGLAND AND IRELAND, ON EARTH, THE SUPREME HEAD, &c. &c. &c.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF YOUR MAJESTY'S COUNCIL, AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF YOUR PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA, NOW MET IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY :

*May it please Your Majesty,*

**Y**OUR Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly, of Your Loyal and Dutiful Province of Nova-Scotia, in behalf of Your Subjects in this Colony, humbly beg leave to lay before Your Majesty, a statement of the causes which have produced amongst us very serious apprehensions.

The Merchants and Traders of this Province have received authentic information, that many of Your Colonial Plantations in the West-Indies, are making exertions to obtain permission for Aliens to Trade to and from the said Islands in Foreign Ships and Vessels, and reports having reached this Province that Your Majesty's Government has now under consideration the Petition from the West-India Islands on this subject.

We lament, that some of Your Majesty's Subjects are united with Forsigners; in endeavouring to change a system which Your Majesty's Government has pursued for some years, with so much advantage to all Your People who are interested in the permanent welfare and prosperity of Your Dominions in North-America, and the West-Indies.

We have given our serious attention to the operation of the measures, which the Government of the United States have taken in the hope to create wants and dissatisfaction in the West-Indies, such, as might compel Your Majesty's Government to abandon the wise regulations which excluded the People of that Country from participating in a Trade, which it has been always the policy of the Mother Country to reserve for British Subjects; and we are happy to find that those measures in their operation have failed in producing in the West-Indies the distress intended, which will fully appear from the statement hereto annexed, which shows the price obtained in the West-Indies, for articles of the first necessity, and at the same time it is highly gratifying to think, that the Government of the United States will, we trust, be obliged soon to abandon a system of Commercial hostility, which has been avowedly adopted to force Your Majesty's Government to relax in their favour, the laws of Trade and Navigation.

We therefore humbly intreat Your Majesty, to continue the regulations which Your Majesty's Government has deliberately adopted, which will remove from Your faithful Subjects in North-America, those apprehensions which are at present so distressing to them.

And, as in duty bound, we will ever pray that Your Majesty may long reign over a prosperous and happy People.

In behalf the Council,

S. S. BLOWERS, President.

In behalf of the House of Assembly,

S. B. ROBIE, Speaker.

Council Chamber, Halifax, 4th April, 1822.

**PRICES CURRENT of Flour, Corn, Meal, Fish and Lumber, in British Sterling, in the West-Indies, as Sold from Vessels importing the same from Nova-Scotia, from the 1st January, 1820, to the 1st January, 1822.**

	Flour per Barrel	Rice per Cwt.	Corn Meal per Barrel	Dry Fish per Qtl.	Salmon per Barrel	Mackrel per Barrel	Herrings per Barrel	W. P. Boards per M.	R. O. Staves per M.	Fish Oil per Gallon
BARBADOS	} 40s. 6d.	} 22s. 6d.	} 27s.	} 18s. 11d.	} 67s. 6d.	} 27s.	} 24s. 9d.	} L.7 13 0	} L.9 13 6	} 3s. 2d.
ANTIGUA										
GRENADA										
ST. VINCENT & TRINIDAD										
JAMAICA										

The above Prices at Antigua, Grenada and St. Vincent, are Payable in Produce, at the advanced prices mentioned in the Memorial, and about seventy-five to one hundred per cent. higher than the same Articles could be purchased for Cash or Bills. At Barbados and Trinidad payments are made part in Cash, and part Produce; and at Jamaica, during the last year, principally in Cash. The Price of Flour at Jamaica includes a Duty of one Dollar per Barrel.

Statement of the result of Twelve Voyages from Halifax, Nova-Scotia, to the British West-Indies.

VESSELS.	Cargo where Sold	Amount of outward Invoice.	Net Sales, deducting Freight.	Amount of homeward Invoice.	Net Sales deducting Freight.	Gain on Voyage out.	Loss on Voyage home.	True Result.	REMARKS.
Brig Adelphi	North side of Jamaica	£595 19 8	£671 5 1	£658 8 5	£373 2 11½	£115 5 5	£135 5 5½	£1020 0 0½ loss; 1821.	Commenced Jan. 1819 and closed Dec. 1821.
Brig Triton	Kingston Antigua	1065 8 5½	1276 3 3	1101 11 3	915 11 11	209 14 6½	156 19 4	23 15 2½ gain; 1821.	Commenced Jan. 1820, closed Dec. 1821.
Schooner Diana	Antigua	286 7 6	324 1 6	733 7 7	711 1 0	37 14 0	37 14 0 gain; 1820.	Do. Jan. 1820, closed March, 1820.	
Brig Bacchus	Trinidad	785 1 2½	916 8 1	733 7 7	711 1 0	131 16 10½	92 6 7	100 10 3½ gain; 1820.	Do. April 19, closed July 31, 1820.
Brig Waterloo	Kingston	937 0 6	937 0 6	244 8 2	103 9 0		75 19 2	416 6 7 loss; 1820.	Do. July 31, closed October 28, 1820.
Schooner Harriet	Kingston	298 12 8	257 17 0	257 17 0				40 15 8 loss; 1820.	Do. Sept. 2, closed Dec. 7, 1820.
Brig Nancy	Jamaica	531 1 8	519 1 6	£25 9 2	517 15 5	235 12 5	307 13 0	12 0 2 loss; 1820.	Do. Jan. 15, closed April 30, 1820.
Brig Sally	Nevis	634 2 7	634 2 7					72 1 4 loss; 1820.	Do. March, closed in Dec. 1821.
Brig Sally	Kingston	830 6 9	792 11 8					47 15 1 loss; 1821.	Do. July 1, closed October 1, 1821.
Schooner Harriet	Antigua	634 12 11	623 12 6					93 19 7 gain; 1821.	Do. Sept. 18, closed Nov. 12, 1821.
Brig The Sisters	Bahamas	608 5 7	484 10 5					123 15 2 loss; 1821.	Do. October 15, closed Dec. 31, 1821.
Brig Sally	Kingston	623 10 0	753 4 9					129 5 9 gain; 1822.	Do. Oct. 15, 1821, closed Jan. 1822.

The above Statement includes the Shipments of three of the principal Houses engaged in the West-India Trade from this Port, during the last three years, and affords a fair average result of the Trade during that period.

Actual Sales of the following Articles at Kingston, Jamaica, imported from Halifax, and Sold since September, October and November, 1821.

ARTICLES.....	Cod Fish per 100 lbs	Mackerel per Barrel	Herrings per Barrel	Salmon per Barrel	Fish Oil per Barrel	W. P. Boards per M.	Flour per Barrel	Corn Meal per Barrel	W. O. Staves per M.	R. O. Staves per M.
PRICES IN BRITISH STERLING	18s. 11d.	24s. 6d.	20s. 3d.	65s. 6d.	2s. 3d.	£7 1 9	49s. 6d.	32s.	£13 10	£9 9 0

Actual Sales of the following Articles at Grenada, imported from Halifax, and Sold in July and August, 1821.

ARTICLES.	Cod fish per 100 lbs	W. P. Boards per M.	Corn Meal per ton.	R. O. Staves per M.	Flour per barrel.
PRICES IN BRITISH STERLING.	18s.	£11 3	£5 15	£13 10	40s. 6d.

The above prices were payable in Rum at 1s. 9d. Sterling per gallon, and puncheon 42s. 6d.; Molasses at 1s. 9d. and puncheon 32s. 7½d. with the exception of the Flour, which was payable in Cash. A part of the Articles were unsaleable at the above prices, from the large supply at Market, and, in consequence, they were left to be retailed, payable in produce, (Cash not being to be had) in all the Crop of 1822, at the established prices that may be affixed thereto, at the commencement, as is the custom annually.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to the said Address, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

*Ordered*, That the Committee do join with the Committee of His Majesty's Council, in delivering the said Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same to England, for the favourable consideration of His Majesty's Government.

Then the House adjourned until Seven of the Clock, P. M.

The House met agreeably to the adjournment.

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 Bills to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the Bills to them referred: which report the House agreed to.

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

*Thursday, 4th April, 1822.*

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. Wells took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill for the Summary Trial of Actions, 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 to them referred, which the House agreed to,

*Ordered*, That the Bill be engrossed.

Mr. J. I. Chipman moved, that the Petition of John M<sup>r</sup> Vicar and others, be referred to the Committee of Supply, 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.

An engrossed Bill for the Summary Trial of Actions was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions.

An engrossed Bill to revive, continue, alter and amend, an Act, made and passed in the 57th year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, 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 revive, continue, alter and amend, an Act, made and passed in the fifty-seventh year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions.

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

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of G. N. Russell 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 examined evidence relative to the statement made in the said Petition, which they report to be true. And the Committee beg leave to recommend that the sum of £152 18 2, the amount of the appraisement of Furniture of John Liddell and Charles Hill, taken by

Attachment



Attachment, at the suit of the Crown against them, upon the Bonds signed by the Petitioners, be accounted for upon the said Bonds, and that the Commissioners of the Revenue be requested to direct the Attorney-General to allow the same to be accounted for upon the said Bonds accordingly :

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

Mr. Haliburton reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of George Mitchell 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 heard the Petitioner, and made enquiry relative to the said Petition ; that it appears to the Committee, that the Petitioner has been mistaken as to the facts set forth in the same : that the Five Pound Note, annexed to the Petition, and for which he claims payment, must have been received by him incautiously ; that it does not appear to the Committee to be one of the Notes delivered in to be cancelled, pursuant to the provisions of the Law, and that the Committee forbear to offer an opinion as to the payment of the amount of the Note, but submit the expediency of it to the House.

*Ordered*, That the Report 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 for the Summary Trial of Actions ; and also

A Bill, entitled, An Act to revive, continue, alter and amend, an Act, made and passed in the fifty-seventh year of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions—severally without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Poole took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to authorise the Establishment of Bank at Halifax ; and also, a Bill more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise, and to prevent frauds in the collection of the Provincial Revenue ; and 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 Bills to them referred, which Report the House agreed to.

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 the amendments, be engrossed.

Then the House adjourned until Seven of the Clock, P. M.

The House met agreeably to adjournment.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Poole 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 for regulating and maintaining a Light-House on Sambro Island ; and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bill to the House, without any amendment. That the Committee had also gone through the engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to regulate the

the driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax and the Post-Road from Halifax to Windsor, and had made several amendments to the said Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered the said 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 to them referred, which the House agreed to.

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

*Ordered*, That the amendments be engrossed.

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

*Resolved*, That the Bill reported without amendment be engrossed.

Then the House adjourned until Saturday, at eleven of the Clock, the morrow being Good Friday.

*Saturday, 6th April, 1822.*

PRAYERS:

An engrossed Bill in addition to an Act for regulating and maintaining a Light-House on Sambro Island, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for the better support of Light-Houses.

An engrossed Bill more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise, and to prevent Frauds in the Collection of the Provincial Revenue, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, 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.

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

The Clerk delivered to the House an Abstract of the Expense incurred for the alteration and repair of the Court-House, and Cost of Articles for the Council Chamber, in the Province House, with the Vouchers for the same, amounting to £62 14 3, and thereupon,

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

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred and Ninety-two Pounds should be granted for making and repairing Roads and Bridges in the County of Cape-Breton, in addition to the sum granted in the present Session for the like service: to be expended under the direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, if His Excellency will be pleased to direct the same.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Sixty-two Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Three Pence, should be granted to defray the Expense of the alteration and repair of the Court-House, and the Cost of Articles for the Council Chamber, in the Province House, to be drawn from the Treasury by Warrant of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the Certificate of the President of His Majesty's Council and the Speaker of the House of Assembly, that the sum so to be drawn has been necessarily expended for that purpose.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred and Five Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Two Pence should be granted and paid to Charles Morris, Esq. the Sur-

Surveyor-General of Land, in full for the sums by him expended for running the Lines of the Counties and Townships within the Province, as stated in the Journal of the House of Assembly, under date 1st March, 1821; and also, for the amount of his Account for furnishing copies of Plans, and extra Services performed for the Province, up to the 20th day of February last.

The said Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time, and thereupon,

Mr Church moved, that the Resolution for granting the sum of Sixty-two Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Three Pence for altering the Court-House, &c. be not agreed to by the House: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, four; against it, twenty-eight:

For the Motion,

Mr. Church  
Mr. Young  
Mr. O'Brien  
Mr. James

Mr. Heckman  
Mr. Denison  
Mr. Wells  
Mr. Grassie  
Mr. Flemming  
Mr. Roach  
Mr. Parker

Against the Motion,

Mr. Ritchie  
Mr. W. A. Chipman  
Mr. W. Dickson  
Mr. W. H. Roach  
Mr. Wier  
Mr. Albro  
Mr. Ruggles

Mr. Archibald  
Mr. Bigay  
Mr. Marshall  
Mr. Bishop  
Mr. Lawson  
Mr. Haliburton  
Mr. Blair

Mr. Morse  
Mr. Freeman  
Mr. R. Dickson  
Mr. Dewolf  
Mr. Campbell  
Mr. Sargent  
Mr. Robertson

So it passed in the negative.

The said Resolutions were then put, and agreed to by the House.

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. Heckman have leave to return to his home, on his private affairs.

An engrossed Bill to authorise the Establishment of a Bank at Halifax, was read a third time, and thereupon,

Mr. Marshall moved, that the twenty-fifth Enacting Clause in the said Bill, be struck out, and a Clause inserted in the place thereof, in the words following, viz.

*And be it further enacted*, That the said Board shall have a general superintendance and controlling power over the Officers of the said Corporation and the operations thereof; and if it shall at any time appear to the said Board, that any of the operations of the said Corporation are producing the effect of preventing the circulation, or of depreciating the value, of any of the Provincial Notes now in circulation, or which may hereafter be issued and circulated, or shall in any way be injurious to the credit of the same, then, and in any such case, the said Board, or a majority of the same, shall have full power to control, regulate or suspend, the proceedings of the said Corporation: which being seconded, and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, thirteen; against it, fifteen. So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to authorise the Establishment of a Bank at Halifax.

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

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to regulate the Driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, and the Post-Road from Halifax to Windsor, and also the engrossed amendments to the said Bill, were read a third time; and thereupon,

Mr. Young moved, that the further consideration of the Bill, and the amendments, be postponed to the next Session: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, ten; against it, eighteen:

For the Motion,

Mr. W. A. Chipman  
Mr. Albro  
Mr. Wier  
Mr. Ritchie  
Mr. Marshall  
Mr. Young  
Mr. Church  
Mr. O'Brien  
Mr. Flemming  
Mr. Ruggles

Against the Motion,

Mr. Lawson  
Mr. Roach  
Mr. Bishop  
Mr. Poole  
Mr. J. I. Chipman  
Mr. Freeman  
Mr. Grassie  
Mr. Bigay  
Mr. W. Dickson  
Mr. Haliburton

Mr. Archibald  
Mr. James  
Mr. M. Kinnon  
Mr. Campbell  
Mr. Sargent  
Mr. Wells  
Mr. Robertson  
Mr. W. H. Roach

So it passed in the negative.

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. Wells 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 respecting the Liverpool and Cranberry Island Light-Houses, and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bill to the House, without any amendment. That the Committee had deferred the consideration of the Bill to extend the Provisions of an Act, passed in the first year of His late Majesty's reign, for preventing Trespasses, to the Settlement of Gay's River. Also, the Bill to amend an Act, passed in the 34th year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Second, entitled, An Act for ascertaining Damages on Protested Bills of Exchange. Also, the Bill for permitting Goods subject to a Duty of Impost and Excise, when imported into the Port of Halifax, to be secured in Warehouses. Also, the Bill to provide for the inspection, and to regulate the exportation, of Pickled Fish and Oil. Also, the Bill to alter the Sittings of the Supreme Court at Halifax. And also, the 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, severally, 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 several Bills to them referred, which Report the House agreed to.

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

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.

£292 for Roads and Bridges in Cape-Breton.

£62 14 3 for repairs to Court-House, &c.

£205 19 2 to Charles Morris, Esq.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do prepare and bring in a 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.

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

*Monday, 8th April, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts respecting the Liverpool and Cranberry Island Light-Houses, 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 and Cranberry Island Light-House.

*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 request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the Bill more effectually to secure the payment of the Provincial Duties of Excise, &c.

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. Flemming and Mr. Grassie, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

Mr.

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

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act to raise a sum of Money, not exceeding Nine Thousand Pounds, by Lottery, for the purpose of building a Bridge over the River Avon, in the County of Hants, and the same was read a first time.

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

Mr. Ritchie reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of Lemuel Hobbs, Sen. 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 examined several persons as to the facts contained in the Petition, and are of opinion that the money heretofore appropriated for the erecting a Bridge over the Narrows of Aboptic River should not be drawn and appropriated for the purpose intended, unless the Justices, in their General Sessions of the Peace, and the Grand Jury, at Shelburne, and the Justices in their General Sessions of the Peace, and the Grand Jury, at Yarmouth, shall recommend the erecting of the said Bridge.

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

On motion, the Petition of William Corbet, and the Report of the Committee of the whole House, of the 15th March last, thereon, were severally read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Commissioners of the Revenue be authorized to direct the Attorney-General to stay proceedings upon the Judgment of the Crown against the said William Corbet and John Fennel, until the further Order of this House.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, 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, 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 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.

On motion, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the purpose of presenting to His Excellency, Copies of the several Resolutions which have passed this House on the following subjects, viz. The Survey of the several Counties and Districts of the Province. A Compensation to the Treasurer for issuing Treasury Notes. A Compensation to the Secretary of the Province, for extra services respecting Roads. The sums appropriated for the Great Roads of the Province ; the Road from Halifax to Sackville ; and the Roads in the County of Cape-Breton. Also, a Compensation to the Surveyor-General of Land, for extra services—in answer to the several Communications from His Excellency to this House on the said subjects.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. James, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Church and Mr. Grassie, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Mr. Roach moved, that the engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to regulate the driving of Carriages in the Streets of Halifax, and the Post-Road from Halifax to Windsor, and the engrossed amendments to the same, which were read a third time on Saturday last, be sent to the Council, which being seconded, thereupon,

Mr. Haliburton moved, that a further amendment be made to the said Bill, in the words following, viz.

And whereas, in Winter the Roads are so much obstructed by the depth of Snow and by its drifting, that

that it is expedient to exempt from the provisions of this Act, during the Winter, all persons driving Teams, Carts, Waggon, or Sleds, laden with Hay or Straw, on the main Roads leading to Halifax.

*Be it therefore enacted*, That all and every person or persons, who shall hereafter, between the first day of December and the first day of April, drive any Team, Waggon, Cart or Sled, laden with Hay or Straw, which load shall not exceed twelve feet in width, shall be, and they are hereby exempt, from the provisions of this Act: *provided*, that such persons shall at all times, as far as it can be done from the nature of the Roads, comply with this Act: which being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

Mr. Roach's motion was then put, and agreed to by the House, and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the same with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of the Council.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a Conference by Committee on the subject of the Bank Bill.

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. Haliburton, Mr. Archibald, and Mr. Marshall, do manage the Conference.

And they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Hill:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Establishment of a Bank at Halifax, with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, the said amendments were read a first time, and thereupon,

Mr. Archibald moved, that the said amendments be now read a second time: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative, and the amendments were read a second time accordingly.

On motion, *resolved*, That the said amendments 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 amendments accordingly.

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 said amendments to the next Session, and that he was directed by the Committee to report the same to the House, and thereupon,

Mr. J. I. Chipman 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, twenty:

For the Motion,

Mr. J. I. Chipman  
Mr. Flemming  
Mr. Parker  
Mr. Church  
Mr. Grassie  
Mr. Archibald  
Mr. W. Dickson  
Mr. James  
Mr. R. Dickson  
Mr. Bingay  
Mr. Dewolf

Against the Motion,

Mr. W. H. Roach  
Mr. Robertson  
Mr. Roach  
Mr. Morse  
Mr. Poole  
Mr. Haliburton  
Mr. W. A. Chipman  
Mr. O'Brien  
Mr. Marshall  
Mr. Ritchie  
Mr. Ruggles  
Mr. Young  
Mr. Wells  
Mr. Lawson  
Mr. Blair  
Mr. Campbell  
Mr. Bishop  
Mr. Sargent  
Mr. Freeman  
Mr. Heckman

So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That the Report be received; and that the Clerk do carry the Bill, entitled, An Act to authorise the Establishment of a Bank at Halifax, back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have not agreed to the amendments made by them to the said Bill.

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 respecting the Liverpool Light-House, without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to the several amendments made by this House to the Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the Driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, &c.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The Clerk, pursuant to Order, presented to the House 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 this Province; and the said Bill was read a first, second and third time, and thereupon,

*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-Two; 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, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the consideration of the Bill for preventing Trespasses.

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.

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

*Tuesday, 9th April, 1822.*

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill for preventing Trespasses, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts heretofore made relating to Trespasses.

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

A Bill in addition to, and amendment of, an Act to raise a sum of Money, not exceeding Nine Thousand Pounds, by Lottery, for the purpose of building a Bridge over the River Avon, in the County of Hants, was read a second time, and thereupon,

Mr. Grassie 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, passed in the negative.

*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 gone through the Bill to them referred,

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, *resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Province be authorized to pay to William Hill, Esq. the sum of Thirty-Five Pounds, for his services in copying and engrossing Bills for His Majesty's Council during the present Session ; and that this House, in its next Session, will provide for the reimbursement of that sum to the said Treasurer, the Committee of Supply of this House having been closed before any communication was made to the House relative to the appropriation of a sum of Money for remunerating the said services.

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

On motion of Mr. Grassie, *resolved*, that the Treasurer of the Province be authorized to advance such Premium as may be necessary for the purchase of a Government Bill of Exchange, to remit Nathaniel Atcheson, Esq. the Agent of the Province, his Salary of One Hundred Guineas, and this House will remunerate the Treasurer for such advance in the next Session of this Assembly.

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 £35 to William Hill, Esq.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

An engrossed Bill in addition to and amendment of an Act for raising a sum of Money, not exceeding Nine Thousand Pounds, by Lottery, for the purpose of building a Bridge over the River Avon, in the County of Hants, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act, made and passed in the 59th year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to raise a sum of Money, not exceeding Nine Thousand Pounds, by Lottery, for the purpose of Building a Bridge over the River Avon, at the Point of Rocks so called, between Windsor and Falmouth, in the County of Hants.

*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 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-Two ; 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, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in addition to the Acts for regulating the performance of Statute Labour, 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.

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 accordingly.

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 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.



A Message from the Council by Mr. Hill :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts heretofore made relating to Trespasses, 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 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 that this House have agreed to the amendments made by them to the said Bill.

An engrossed Bill in addition to the Acts for regulating the performance of Statute Labour, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in addition to the Acts for regulating the performance of Statute Labour.

*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 a Bill, entitled, An Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts heretofore made relating to Trespasses, without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act, made and passed in the 59th year of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to raise a sum of Money, not exceeding Nine Thousand Pounds, by Lottery, for building a Bridge over the River Avon, &c. with an amendment, to which amendment they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The amendment to the Bill was read, and thereupon,

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House cannot consider the amendment made by the Council to the said Bill.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to the Order of yesterday, that the Committee had accordingly waited upon and delivered to His Excellency the several Resolutions referred to therein, and that His Excellency was pleased to express his satisfaction on the occasion.

Mr. Archibald reported from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the Council, to wait upon and deliver to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the Joint Humble Address of His Majesty's Council and this House, to His Majesty, on the subject of opening the Ports in the British West-Indies to Foreign Vessels; that the said Joint Committee had accordingly waited upon and delivered to His Excellency the said Address to His Majesty; and that His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would most readily transmit the Address to England for the favorable consideration of His Majesty's Government, and that His Excellency had prepared a Dispatch for that purpose.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to inform His Excellency that this House will be ready to be prorogued to-morrow, if it should suit His Excellency's convenience.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Grassie, Mr. W. A. Chipman, Mr. R. Dickson, Mr. Bishop and Mr. Denison, be a Committee for the above purpose.

On motion, *resolved*, That Mr. Speaker do transmit to the Agent of the Province, a Copy of the Joint Address of His Majesty's Council and this House to His Majesty, on the subject of opening the Ports in the British West-Indies to Foreign Vessels, passed in the present Session of the Assembly.

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

Wednesday,

Wednesday, 10th April, 1822.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Marshall, *resolved*, that, previous to the next meeting of the Legislature, the Benches in the Assembly Room, and also in the Gallery thereof, be repaired, and rendered more commodious, and that the same be done under the direction of the Speaker of the House, and that the expense of the said work be paid out of the money remaining undrawn of the sum granted in the last Session of the General Assembly for making alterations in the said Room.

On motion, *resolved*, That it be a Standing Order of this House, that no Person be admitted into the Gallery of the House of Assembly, without a Ticket from some Member.

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 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 provide for the support of a Light-House erected on Cranberry Island, near the entrance of the Gut of Canso.

An Act to continue the several Acts respecting the Liverpool Light-House.

An Act to regulate the driving of Carriages in the Streets of Halifax, or Public Roads of this Province.

An Act for the Relief of David Williams, an Insolvent Debtor.

An Act for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, and the preventing the Erection of Wooden Buildings, beyond a certain height, within the same.

An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions.

An Act to authorise the sale of the Old Court-House and Jail, and the Lot of Land on which the same stand, at Guysborough, in the County of Sydney.

An Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts heretofore made relating to Trespasses.

An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act, passed in the fiftieth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in several of the Counties and Districts in this Province, and for declaring the qualification of Persons hereafter to be appointed Justices of the said Court, their number and salaries.

An Act to revive, continue, alter and amend, an Act, made and passed in the fifty-seventh year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions.

An Act to extend an Act, passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the repairing, keeping in repair, cleaning and paving, the Streets in the Town and Peninsula of Halifax, to the Towns of Liverpool and Lunenburg.

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 the 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-Two ; 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.

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His Excellency was then pleased to make the following Speech :

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

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

It is to me great pleasure to be now able to close this long Session of the General Assembly, as you will thereby be enabled to attend to your private concerns, which, at this season of the year, must necessarily be of great importance to you.

I have to return you my thanks for your diligence in the discharge of your Public Duties; and for the great interest which has been manifested in your deliberations.

It is also to thank you for the supplies which you have granted to His Majesty, for the various Services of the present year.—It is likewise my earnest desire to see that they are faithfully and punctually paid, and as to the Law, and Equity and Criminally committed.

Afterwards the President of His Majesty's Council, by His Excellency's Command, said :

It is His Majesty's Will and Pleasure that this General Assembly be prorogued to Thursday, the seventh day of July next, to be then here held; and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued to Thursday, the seventh day of July next.