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WEDNESDAY, October 12, 1825.

AGREEABLY to His Excellency the Lieut. Governor's Proclamation the House met at their apartment in the Court House.

A message from the Lieut. Governor, by George Richard Goodman, Esq. Usher of the Black Rod.

Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency the Lieut. Governor commands the attendance of this Honorable House immediately in the Council chamber.

The House accordingly attended in the Council chamber, and having returned, the Speaker reported, that his Excellency was pleased to deliver the following speech to both Houses of the Assembly, of which Mr. Speaker said he had to prevent mistakes obtained a copy, which was read and delivered in at the Clerk's table, and is as follows:

“Mr. President, and Gentlemen of his Majesty's Council,

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

“The arrangement of my private affairs rendering it necessary for me to be absent from the Island during the ensuing winter, I have deemed it necessary to call you together at this time, principally with a view of submitting to you the propriety of continuing to a more distant period such Laws as might otherwise expire previous to my return; and this, I most earnestly hope, may occupy little of your time, and enable me to relieve you, without rendering your public duty burthensome to you on the present occasion.

“Since meeting you in the last General Assembly, I have endeavoured to make myself fully acquainted with the state of the Island, and the situation of its Inhabitants, by visiting almost every part of it during the summer: and I most sincerely congratu-

tulate you on the increasing industry and happy tranquillity I have every where witnessed,

“Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly;

“I shall direct the Treasurer's accounts to be laid before you: it affords me great pleasure to have it in my power to state, that the receipts of the two last Quarters give me reasonable grounds to expect that our Revenue will realize the estimated amount and prove sufficient to meet the expenditure of the year.

“Mr. President, and Gentlemen of his Majesty's Council,

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

“Should any other matter be considered necessary to submit to you during the present Session, I will not fail to communicate it by message, and I beg to recommend to you most earnestly, a continuation of that harmony and good understanding which marked your proceedings throughout the last Session, and which is at all times so necessary for the dispatch of public business.”

On motion of Mr. Hodgson, it was ordered, that a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address in answer to his Excellency's Speech. Mr. Hodgson, the Attorney General, and Mr. Mabey, were accordingly appointed a Committee for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. McNeill, it was ordered, that a copy of the Journals be sent to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, each day as soon as possible after the adjournment, and that a copy be also sent to Mr. James Douglas Hazard, Printer, and that he do furnish each member with a printed copy thereof as soon as possible.

Mr. *Hodgson* moved that a Committee be appointed to revise the Journals of the House each day after the adjournment. Ordered accordingly, and that Mr. *Hodgson*, the *Attorney General*, and Mr. *Mabey*, do compose such Committee.

On motion of Mr. *McNeill*, it was or-

dered, that a Committee be appointed to examine into and report upon such Laws as have expired, or are about to expire. Mr. *McNeill*, Mr. *Mabey*, and Mr. *Hodgson*, were accordingly appointed a Committee for that purpose.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, October 13, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

The *Attorney General* chairman of the committee appointed to prepare an Address in answer to his Excellency's Speech, presented the draft of an Address to the House, which was read.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take the said Address into consideration,

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

The *Attorney General* took the chair of the Committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

The *Attorney General* chairman of the Committee reported, that they had gone through the Address, and agreed to the same, which on motion was agreed to by the House, and is as follows:

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

"May it please your Excellency,

"WE His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the representatives of Prince Edward Island, in General Assembly convened, beg leave to thank your Excellency for your Speech at the opening of this Session.

"We sincerely regret the necessity that calls your Excellency from your Government during the ensuing winter: we wish your Excellency a prosperous voyage, and shall anxiously look for your speedy return.

"We shall apply ourselves to the continuance of such Laws as may appear to us necessary, and will limit ourselves to such new enactments as seem to be urgent.

"We learn with great satisfaction, that your Excellency has visited nearly every part of the Island, and witnessed the tranquil and happy condition of its inhabitants; and we feel assured, that the knowledge you have thereby acquired, both of its wants and its resources, will materially contribute to the advancement and prosperity of the Colony.

"We thank your Excellency for directing the Public Accounts to be laid before us, and shall give them the attention they require.

"It is with much pleasure we receive your Excellency's information that our revenue is likely to equal its estimated amount and to meet the annual expenditure.

"We beg leave to assure your Excellency, that nothing shall be wanting on our part, to continue that harmony and good understanding which your Excellency has been pleased to recognize in our conduct during the last Session, and that we shall at all times, concur in every measure calculated to promote the interest of the Island."

On motion of Mr. *Cameron*, it was ordered, that a Committee be appointed to wait on his Excellency the Lieut. Governor to know when he would be pleased to receive the Address of this House in answer to his Excellency's Speech. The *Attorney General*, Mr. *Hodgson*, and Mr. *Mabey*, were accordingly appointed for that purpose.

Mr. *Cameron* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to alter and amend an Act made and passed in the 26th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an Act for the trial of Actions in a summary way," which was granted and the same on motion received the first reading.

On motion the said Bill received the second reading.

Mr. *McNeill* chairman of the committee appointed to examine into and report upon the expiring Laws, reported that the following are about to expire, viz.

An Act intituled "An Act to regulate the sale of the Interest of Leaseholders when taken in execution," will expire on the 8th January 1826.

"An Act to regulate the measurement of ton timber, boards, and all other kinds of lumber, and to repeal two certain acts

made and passed in the 14th and 57th years of his late Majesty's reign, and also for declaring what shall be deemed merchantable, and for appointing officers to survey the same," will expire at the end of this Session.

"An Act to enable creditors more easily to recover their Debts from co-partners and joint Debtors," will expire at the end of this Session.

"An act for encreasing the Revenue by levying a duty on Tobacco and Tea," will expire on the 24th March 1826. also,

"An act for encreasing the Revenue by levying an additional duty on all wines, gin, brandy, rum, and other distilled spirituous liquors imported into this Island, and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act the several laws made by the General Assembly of this Island, relative to the duties of impost on wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors, and for allowing a drawback upon all wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors exported from this Island," will also expire on the 24th of March 1826.

The *Attorney General* chairman of the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to know when he would be pleased to receive the address of this House, in answer to his speech, reported that his Excellency had appointed three o'clock to-morrow.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the bill intituled "an act to repeal an act intituled an act to alter and amend an act made and passed in the 26th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for the trial of actions in a summary way,"

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. Cameron took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Cameron chairman of the committee reported that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same.

Mr. Cameron moved for leave to bring in a bill to continue an act made and passed in the first year of his present Majesty's Reign intituled "an act to regulate the measurement of ton timber, boards, and all other kinds of lumber, and to repeal two certain acts made and passed in the 14th and 57th year of his late Majesty's reign, and also for declaring what shall be deemed merchantable, and for appointing officers to

survey the same," which was granted, and the same on motion received the first reading.

On motion, the said bill received the second reading.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take consideration the said bill,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Cameron took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Cameron chairman of the committee reported that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same.

The *Attorney General* moved for leave to bring in a bill to render perpetual an act made and passed in the 57th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to enable creditors more easily to recover their debts from co-partners and joint debtors," which was granted, and the same on motion, received the first reading.

On motion, the said bill received the second reading.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take into consideration the said bill,

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

The *Attorney General* took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

The *Attorney General* chairman of the committee reported that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same.

Mr. *Stewart* moved for leave to bring in a bill for making perpetual an act made and passed in the 59th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act to regulate the sale of the interest of Leaseholders when taken in execution, which was granted, and the same on motion, received the first reading.

On motion, the said bill received the second reading.

The *Attorney General* from the committee appointed to correspond with the Colony agent, reported to the House that at a meeting of the committee which took place on the 1st of June last, (the Speaker in the chair,) it was resolved that the Speaker should forthwith communicate to NATHANIEL ATCHESON, Esq. that he had been appointed the agent of this Colony by a joint resolution of the House of Assembly and the Council, bearing date the 25th day of January, 1825, and that he should be informed that his salary had been fixed at 100l. sterling by the year, and that the Speaker should cause a copy of the said minute to be sent to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

The Attorney General further reported that at another meeting, which took place on the 25th day of July last, (the Attorney General in the chair,) it was ordered that a copy of the Journals of this House for last session, should be forthwith transmitted to Mr. Atcheson, and also a copy of the laws passed in the last session of the General Assembly.

It was further ordered by the committee, that the attention of Mr. Atcheson should be drawn to the address by the House of Assembly to his Excellency the Lieut. Governor, dated the 1st day of March, 1825, touching the adding the ports of Charlotte-Town, Three Rivers, and Richmond Bay, in this Island, to the list of Free Ports, which might still be a matter of deeper importance to the trade of the Island, since the extension of the Colonial trade, contemplated in Mr. Huskisson's bill, and that Mr. Atcheson should be desired to use his utmost exertions, to attain the objects therein contemplated, which are connected vitally with the commercial interests of the Island.

It was in like manner ordered by the committee, that Mr. Atcheson should be

requested to use his best endeavours to procure the concurrence of his Majesty's government to the measure recommended in the petition of the House of Assembly to his Majesty on the 17th day of March last, asking permission to pass a law assessing the land in this Island in a sum equal to the Quit Rents, to enable this Colony to build a government-house, and other public buildings, and for other colonial improvements within the Island, and that the Quit Rents payable in this Island might be remitted until the payment of such Quit Rents was enforced in the neighbouring Colonies.

It was further resolved that the chairman should communicate to Mr. Atcheson a copy of these minutes.

The Attorney General then stated to the House, that on the 25th day of July last, he had transmitted to Mr. Atcheson a copy of these resolutions of the committee with a copy of the Journals of this House for the last session, and a copy of the acts then passed, and read a copy of the letter to Mr. Atcheson which accompanied these documents.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, October 14, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On motion, the bill intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the first year of his present Majesty, intituled "an act to regulate the measurement of ton timber, boards, and all other kinds of lumber, and to repeal two certain acts made and passed in the 14th and 57th year of his late Majesty's reign, and also for declaring what shall be deemed merchantable, and for appointing officers to survey the same," received the third reading.

Ordered, that the said bill do pass and be engrossed.

On motion, the bill intituled an act to repeal an act, intituled "an act to alter and amend an act made and passed in the 26th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for the trial of actions in a summary way," received the third reading.

Ordered, that the said bill do pass and be engrossed.

On motion, the bill intituled an act to render perpetual an act made and passed

in the 57th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act to enable creditors more easily to recover their debts from co-partners and joint debtors," received the third reading.

Ordered, that the said bill do pass and be engrossed.

Mr. Cameron moved for leave to bring in a bill to repeal an act declaring that baptism of Slaves shall not exempt them from bondage, which was granted, and the same on motion received the first reading.

On motion, the said bill received the second reading.

Mr. Hodgson moved for leave to bring in a bill to repeal a certain clause of an act made and passed in the 31st year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act for admitting persons to swear to their own accounts in certain cases, and for amending certain practical parts of the law, in order to the more easy and speedy attainment of public justice in this Island."

which was granted, and the same on motion received the first reading.

On motion, the said bill received the second reading.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take into consideration the bill for making perpetual "an act to regulate the sale of the interest of Leaseholders when taken in execution,"

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Stewart took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Stewart chairman of the committee reported that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same with amendments, and an alteration in the title; the title of which stands as follows, viz.

A bill intituled an act to amend and render perpetual an act made and passed in the 59th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act to regulate the sale of the interest of Leaseholders when taken in execution,"

On motion, that the said bill receive the third reading, the House divided,

For the motion, Against it,

Mr. Stewart, Mr. Mabey.

Mr. Hodgson,

Mr. Montgomery,

Mr. Dockendorff,

Mr. Bearistoe,

Mr. Hyde,

Mr. Cameron,

Mr. M'Neill,

Mr. Owen,

The Attorney General,

Mr. Jardine,

Dr. M'Aulay.

The motion was accordingly carried.

Ordered, that the said bill do pass and be engrossed.

Dr. M'Aulay moved for leave to bring in a petition from upwards of eight hundred inhabitants of this Island, praying that this House would address his Majesty, humbly to request that his Majesty would be graciously pleased not to grant any further indulgence to the Proprietors of Townships to settle the same, than as already intimated by proclamation in the year 1816. Leave being granted, the said petition was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Dr. M'Aulay then gave notice, that he would on Tuesday next, call the attention of the House to the said petition, and moved that the same be the order of the day for Tuesday next. Ordered accordingly.

Mr. Owen moved for leave to bring in a bill to amend the fifth clause of an act, intituled "an act prohibiting the sale (by

retail) of rum, or other distilled spirituous liquors, without first having a Licence for that purpose, and for the due regulation of such as shall be licenced," which was granted, and the same on motion, received the first reading. On motion the said bill received the second reading.

By order, *Mr. Hodgson*, carried to his Majesty's Council the following bills for their concurrence, viz.

A bill intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the 1st year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act to regulate the measurement of ton timber, boards, and all other kinds of lumber, and to repeal two certain acts made and passed in the 14th and 57th year of his late Majesty's reign, and also for declaring what shall be deemed merchantable, and for appointing officers to survey the same."

A bill intituled an act to repeal an act intituled "an act to alter and amend an act made and passed in the 26th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for the trial of actions in a summary way,"

Also, a bill intituled an act to render perpetual an act made and passed in the 57th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to enable creditors more easily to recover their debts from co-partners and joint debtors."

Mr. Cameron moved that a committee be appointed to draw the heads of a bill to render valid all marriages heretofore solemnized by dissenting clergymen within this Colony agreeable to the rules of their respective churches, and to regulate marriages in future. Ordered accordingly, and that *Mr. Cameron*, *Mr. M'Neill*, *Mr. Stewart*, *Mr. Mabey*, and *Mr. Hodgson* be appointed a committee for that purpose.

The *Attorney General* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal an Act made and passed in the 30th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "An Act to prevent unnecessary expence and delays in certain actions wherein judgments have passed by default," which was granted, and the same, on motion, received the first reading.

On motion, the said Bill received the second reading.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the said Bill,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

The Attorney General took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

The Attorney General chairman of the committee reported that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same.

The House waited on his Excellency according to appointment with their address in answer to his Excellency's Speech, and having returned, the Speaker informed the House that his Excellency was pleased to make the following reply, viz.

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

“I return you my sincere thanks for this address, and for the disposition therein ex-

pressed, to apply your attention to those matters recommended to your consideration.

“Convinced, as I am, of the benefit which has arisen to the country from the harmony and good understanding which prevailed throughout the last Session, the assurance you give of an earnest desire on your part for its continuance cannot fail to prove highly gratifying to me.”

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, October 15, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take into consideration the bill to amend the fifth clause of an act, intituled “an act prohibiting the sale (by retail) of rum, or other distilled spirituous liquors, without first having a licence for that purpose, and for the due regulation of such as shall be licenced,”

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. Owen took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Owen chairman of the committee reported that they had made a progress in the bill, and that he was directed by the committee to move that they may have leave to sit again. Ordered accordingly.

The *Attorney General* moved for leave to bring in a bill for *Barring Estates Tail*, which was granted, and the same on motion received the first reading.

By order, Mr. *Mabey* carried to his Majesty's Council, the bill intituled an act to amend and render perpetual an act made and passed in the 59th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled “an act to regulate the sale of the interest of Leaseholders when taken in execution,” for their concurrence.

The Speaker laid before the House the Treasurer's accounts from the 27th January, to the 14th October, 1825, which he stated he had received from his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

On motion, the bill intituled an act to repeal an act made and passed in the 21st year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled “an act declaring that baptism of slaves shall not exempt them from bondage,” received the third reading.

Ordered, that the said bill do pass and be engrossed.

On motion, the bill intituled an act to repeal an act made and passed in the 30th

year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled “an act to prevent unnecessary expence and delays in certain actions wherein judgments have passed by default,” received the third reading.

Ordered, that the said bill do pass and be engrossed.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the bill to repeal a certain clause of an act made and passed in the 31st year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled “an act for admitting persons to swear to their own accounts in certain cases, and for amending certain practical parts of the law, in order to the more easy and speedy attainment of public justice in this Island,”

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. Hodgson took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Hodgson chairman of the committee reported, that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same.

On motion, the said bill received the third reading.

Ordered, that the same do pass and be engrossed.

The *Attorney General* moved for leave to bring in a bill to establish an assize of Bread, within the Town and Royalty of Charlotte-Town, which was granted, and the same on motion, received the first reading.

On motion of Mr. *Stewart*, it was ordered, that a committee be appointed to meet a committee of his Majesty's Council for the purpose of inspecting the Public Accounts. Mr. *Mabey*, Mr. *Hodgson*, Mr. *Stewart*, Mr. *McNeill*, and Mr. *Cameron*, were accordingly appointed for that purpose.

A message from his Majesty's Council by Mr. Carmichael, their clerk,

Mr. Speaker,

His Majesty's Council request a conference with the House of Assembly, on the subject of the bill intituled an act to repeal an act, intituled an act to alter and amend an act made and passed in the 26th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled "an act for the trial of actions in a summary way," and have appointed the Honorables *T. H. Haviland*, and *Charles Worrell*, to manage the same.

On motion, it was ordered, that a committee be appointed to meet the committee of his Majesty's Council on the subject of the said bill. The *Attorney General*, *Mr. Cameron*, and *Mr. Hodgson* were accordingly appointed for that purpose.

The *Attorney General* chairman of the committee appointed to confer with the committee of his Majesty's Council on the subject of the said bill, reported the substance of the conference to the House.

On motion, the bill for *Barring Estates Tail*, received the second reading.

The *Attorney General* moved that an humble address be presented to his Excellency the Lieut. Governor, to request that his Excellency would be pleased to communicate to this House the substance of any information that may have been received from the government of Nova-Scotia, respecting the exaction of Light Duty on vessels of this Island anchoring in the Gut of Canso. Ordered accordingly.

A message from his Majesty's Council by Mr. Carmichael their clerk.

Mr. Speaker,

His Majesty's Council have agreed to the Bill intituled an act to repeal an act intituled "an act to alter and amend an act made and passed in the 26th year of his pre-

sent Majesty's reign, intituled an act for the trial of actions in a summary way," with amendments.

His Majesty's Council have agreed to the following bills without any amendment, viz.

A bill intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the first year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to regulate the measurement of ton timber, boards, and all other kinds of lumber, and to repeal two certain acts made and passed in the 14th and 57th years of his late Majesty's reign, and also for declaring what shall be deemed merchantable, and for appointing officers to survey the same."

A bill intituled an act to render perpetual an act made and passed in the 57th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act to enable creditors more easily to recover their debts from co-partners and joint debtors."

J. E. CARMICHAEL, C. C.

His Majesty's Council have agreed to the conference as requested by the House of Assembly, to examine the public accounts, and have appointed the Honorables *George Wright*, *William Pleace*, and *Thomas Heath Haviland*, to manage the same, to meet at two o'clock on Monday next in the Grand Jury Room.

J. E. CARMICHAEL, C. C.

On motion, ordered that this House do agree to the amendments proposed by his Majesty's Council to the bill, intituled an act to repeal "an act to alter and amend an act made and passed in the 26th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act for the trial of actions in summary way," and that the same be re-engrossed.

On motion, the bill to establish an assize of bread within the Town and Royalty of Charlotte-Town, received the second reading.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock on Monday next.

MONDAY, October 17, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

John Spencer Smith, Esq. Collector of Impost, laid before the House the Impost Accounts from the 1st day of April to the 30th September, 1825.

Mr. Cameron in pursuance of the order of Saturday last, presented to the House the draft of an address to his Excellency the Lieut. Governor relative to the exaction of Light duty on vessels of this Island anchoring in the Gut of Canso, which was read and agreed to, and is as follows, viz.

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

"May it please your Excellency,

"The House of Assembly beg leave to request that your Excellency would be pleased to communicate to them, the substance of any information that may have been received from the government of Nova-Scotia,

respecting the exaction of Light duty on vessels of this Island anchoring in the Gut of Canso."

On motion, it was ordered, that a Committee be appointed to wait on his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the said address. Mr. *Cameron*, Mr. *Mabey*, and Mr. *Dockendorff*, were accordingly appointed for that purpose.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to resume the consideration of the bill to amend the fifth clause, of an act intituled "an act prohibiting the sale (by retail) of rum or other distilled spirituous, without first having a licence for that purpose, and for the due regulation of such as shall be licenced,"

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. Owen took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Owen chairman of the committee reported that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same with an amendment and an alteration in the title: the title of which stands as follows, viz.

A bill intituled an act in addition to, and in further amendment of an act made and passed in the 13th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act prohibiting the sale (by retail) of rum or other distilled spirituous liquors, without first having a licence for that purpose, and for the due regulation of such as shall be licensed."

On motion, the said bill received the third reading.

Ordered, that the same do pass, and be engrossed.

By order, Mr. *Hodgson* carried to his Majesty's Council the following bills for their concurrence viz.

A bill intituled an act to repeal an act made and passed in the 30th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act to prevent unnecessary expence and delays in certain actions wherein judgments have passed by default."

A bill intituled an act to repeal a certain clause of an act made and passed in the 31st year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act for admitting persons to swear to their own accounts in certain cases, and for amending certain practical parts of the laws, in order to the more easy and

speedy attainment of public justice in this Island,"

Also the following bill as amended viz.

A bill intituled an act to repeal an act made and passed in the 43d year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to alter and amend an act made and passed in the 26th year of his present Majesty's reign intituled an act for the trial of actions in a summary way."

Mr. *Mabey* moved for leave to bring in a bill to continue an act made and passed in the 5th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying an additional duty on all wines, gin, brandy, rum, and other distilled spirituous liquors imported into this Island, and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act the several laws made by the General Assembly of this Island, relative to the duties of impost on wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors, and for allowing a drawback upon all wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors exported from this Island," which was granted, and the same on motion, received the first reading.

Mr. *Mabey* moved for leave to bring in a bill to continue an act made and passed in the 5th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying a duty on Tobacco and Tea," which was granted, and the same on motion received the first reading.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the bill to establish an assize of Bread within the Town and Royalty of Charlotte-Town,

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. *Mabey* took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. *Mabey* chairman of the committee reported that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same.

On motion the said bill received the third reading.

Ordered that the same do pass and be engrossed.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, October 18, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

Mr. *Cameron* chairman of the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency the Lieut. Governor with the address of this House relative to the exaction of Light duty on vessels of this Island, anchoring in the Gut of Canso, reported that they had waited on his Excellency with the same, and that his Excellency was pleased to hand them a copy of the communication on that subject, which he received from the Hon. MICHAEL WALLACE, President and Commander in Chief of the Province of Nova-Scotia, which was read, and is as follows:

"Sir,
"I had the honor to receive your Excellency's Letter of the 28th February, inclosing certain resolutions of the Assembly of Prince Edward Island, relating to Cranberry Island Light-House.

"These resolutions had made their appearance here in the Newspapers previous to the receipt of your Excellency's dispatch, which I should have replied to sooner, had I not expected the subject of revising and consolidating our Light-House Acts, which has been some time contemplated, would have been taken up by the Assembly here during its present Session, but which, I find, is not now probable, it being near its close.

"I shall therefore, at present, only observe to your Excellency, that the Light-Houses on our coasts are not established for the purpose of Revenue, but, on the contrary, are a heavy expence on this Province, far exceeding the dues collected, and that on Cranberry Island is a very important one, and the most expensive of any on the coast: if its light is at any time defective it is not for want of means, and when it really does happen, I presume it is to be attributed to hazy weather and fog, which is often the case with the Halifax Light-house.

"I have recommended a relaxation of the duty now payable by the coasting vessels owned in the neighbouring Provinces under a certain tonnage for the present year.

"As none of the Provinces derive a greater benefit from Cranberry Light than Prince Edward Island, it would be desirable to receive some proposition from your Legislature toward the support of it, which would be duly considered here, and might render the collection of dues on vessels actually bound to, and from Prince Edward Island, unnecessary, since it is by no means the wish of this government to interrupt the trade and prosperity of its Sister Colonies.

"And, I can assure your Excellency, when the placing of a Light-House on Cranberry Island was determined upon, the benefit and security to the trade of Prince Edward Island, was not overlooked."

Mr. *Cameron* moved for leave to bring in a petition from nine hundred Roman Catholic inhabitants of this Island, praying that this House would do its part towards removing all injurious and impolitic distinctions, on account of their religious belief, and place them on a similar footing

with their protestant fellow subjects, and thereby unite the inhabitants of this Island in mutual confidence. Leave being granted, the said petition was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. *Cameron* moved that the consideration of the said petition be the order of the day for Thursday next.

Mr. *McNeill* moved as an amendment, that the consideration of the said petition be postponed, until there is a call of the House. The Question being put, the House divided,

For the amendment,	Against it,
Mr. <i>McNeill</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cameron</i> ,
Mr. <i>Stewart</i> ,	Dr. <i>McAulay</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	The Attorney Gen.
Mr. <i>Owen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hodgson</i> ,
Mr. <i>Dockendorff</i> ,	Mr. <i>Coffin</i> .
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Hyde</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Bearistoe</i> .	

The amendment was accordingly carried.

On motion of Mr. *Cameron*, seconded by Mr. *Hodgson*, Ordered, that the Sergeant at Arms be sent after *Lemuel Cambridge* and *Alexander Campbell*, Esquires.

Ordered, that the consideration of the Roman Catholic petition, be the order of the day for Thursday next.

On motion, for the order of the day, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the petition from upwards of eight hundred inhabitants of this Island, praying that this House would address his Majesty, humbly to request that his Majesty would be graciously pleased not to grant any further indulgence to the Proprietors of Townships to settle the same, than as already intimated by proclamation in the year 1816.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Dr. *McAulay* took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Dr. *McAulay* chairman of the committee reported that this committee considers the interference of the House with the measures of his Majesty respecting the enforcing or remitting the conditions of the Township grants in this Island, as at present premature.

Ordered, that the Report of the committee be agreed to.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, October 19, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

Mr. *Hodgson* moved for leave to bring in a petition from the inhabitants of Charlotte-Town stating the great inconvenience experienced by most of the inhabitants of the said town, in consequence of the bad state of the pumps and wells therein, and praying that this House would pass an act to raise a fund in order to keep the said pumps and wells in proper repair. Leave being granted, the said petition was read and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. *Hodgson*, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted by the House, viz.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this House, that it is necessary to provide a comfortable residence for his Excellency the Lieut. Governor, until some final determination be made as to the erecting a public building for that purpose.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this House, that a committee should be appointed to join a committee of his Majesty's Council, and that the said joint committee have power to rent for a period not exceeding three years, such building as they may deem suitable for the above purpose, at the most reasonable rent for which they can procure such building, and that this House will make provision for the payment of such rent, and necessary repairs, as the said joint committee shall agree to pay and expend.

Ordered, that the foregoing Resolutions be sent to his Majesty's Council for their concurrence, and that his Majesty's Council be requested to name a committee to join Mr. *Hodgson*, Mr. *Mabey*, Dr. *McAulay*, Mr. *Cameron*, and Mr. *Dockendorff*, who are hereby appointed a committee of this House for the above purpose.

Mr. *Cameron* chairman of the committee appointed to draw the heads of a bill to render valid all marriages heretofore solemnized by dissenting clergymen within this Colony, agreeable to the rules of their respective churches, and to regulate marriages in future: presented the draft of a bill to the House, which, on motion, received the first reading.

On motion, the said Bill received the second reading.

A message from his Majesty's Council by Mr. *Goodman*, their acting clerk,

Mr. *Speaker*,

His Majesty's Council have passed a bill intituled an act to repeal an act

made and passed in the 30th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act to prevent unnecessary expence and delays in certain actions wherein judgments have passed by default." also,

A bill intituled an act to repeal a certain clause of an act made and passed in the 21st year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act for admitting persons to swear to their own accounts in certain cases, and for amending certain practical parts of the law, in order to the more easy and speedy attainment of public justice in this Island," without any amendments, also,

A bill intituled an act in addition to, and in further amendment of an act made and passed in the 13th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act prohibiting the sale (by retail) of rum or other distilled spirituous liquors, without first having a licence for that purpose, and for the due regulation of such as shall be licenced," with certain amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

Mr. *Speaker*,

His Majesty's Council have unanimously agreed to the Resolutions of the House of Assembly on the subject of procuring a suitable residence for his Excellency the Lieut. Governor, and have appointed the Honorables *George Wright*, *Ambrose Lane*, and *Thomas Heath Haviland*, a committee to join the committee named by the House of Assembly, for the purpose of carrying the said Resolutions into effect.

GEORGE RICH. GOODMAN,
Acting C. C.

Council Chamber, Oct. 19, 1825.

On motion, ordered, that this House do agree to the amendments proposed by his Majesty's Council to the bill intituled an act in addition to, and in further amendment of an act made and passed in the 30th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act prohibiting the sale (by retail) of rum or other distilled spirituous liquors, without first having a licence for that purpose, and for the due regulation of such as shall be licenced," and that the said bill be re-engrossed.

Mr. *Hodgson* moved for leave to bring in a petition from a number of merchants, shopkeepers, and resident householders in Charlotte-Town, praying that this House would be pleased to pass an act to alter and amend the act authorising the issue of

Treasury Notes by directing the Commissioners to issue ten shilling notes. Leave being granted, the said petition was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. *Mabey* moved for leave to bring in a bill to revive and continue an act made and passed in the 52d year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act for raising

a fund to make and keep in repair the pumps, wells, and streets of Charlotte-Town, and for other purposes therein mentioned," which was granted, and the same, on motion, received the first reading.

On motion the said bill received the second reading.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, October 20, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. *Hodgson*, it was ordered, that after this day, no new matter be introduced into the House during the present Session.

Mr. *Mabey* chairman of the committee appointed to inspect the Public Accounts, reported that the committee had carefully examined the same, and delivered in their report, which was read.

By order, Mr. *Hodgson* carried to his Majesty's Council the following bills for their concurrence viz.

A bill intituled an act to establish an assize of Bread within the Town and Royalty of Charlotte-Town, also,

A bill intituled an act to repeal an act made and passed in the 21st year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act declaring that baptism of slaves shall not exempt them from bondage."

Mr. *Mabey* presented to the House, a communication from his Excellency the Lieut. Governor, relative to the expenditure of monies appropriated last Session for Roads and Bridges, which was read.

On motion for the order of the day, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the petition of the Roman Catholic Inhabitants of this Island, praying that this House would do its part towards removing all invidious and impolitic distinctions, on account of their religious belief, and place them on a similar footing with their protestant fellow-subjects, and thereby unite the inhabitants of this Island in mutual confidence.

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. *Owen* took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. *Owen* chairman of the committee reported that the committee had come to the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That from the importance of the subject, and the far advanced state of the Session, it is the opinion of this com-

mittee that the further consideration of the petition of the Roman Catholics should be deferred until the next Session, when the same ought to have, and is entitled to the serious consideration of the House.

On motion, that the report of the committee be agreed to, the House divided,

For the motion, Against it,

Mr. *Owen*,

Mr. *Cameron*,

Mr. *Mabey*,

Mr. *McNeill*,

Mr. *Bearistoe*,

Mr. *Hyde*,

The Attorney General,

Mr. *Hodgson*,

Mr. *Montgomery*,

Mr. *Stewart*,

Mr. *Jardine*,

Mr. *Coffin*.

The motion was accordingly carried.

Mr. *Hodgson* moved for leave to bring in a bill to authorise the Commissioners named and appointed under an act made and passed in the fifth year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled an act to empower his Excellency the Lieut. Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to appoint Commissioners to issue Treasury Notes, to issue Notes of the value of ten shillings each; which was granted, and the same on motion received the first reading.

On motion, the said bill received the second reading.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take into consideration the said bill,

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. *Cameron* took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. *Cameron* chairman of the committee reported, that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same.

Dr. *McAulay* in consequence of the late period of the Session, gave notice, that he

would at an early period of the next Session, bring in the Election bill.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take into consideration the report of the sub-committee on the Public Accounts,

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. Mabey took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Mabey chairman of the committee reported that they had taken the report of the sub-committee into consideration and agreed to the same.

Ordered, that the report of the committee be agreed to by the House, which is as follows, viz.

That the committee had carefully examined the several documents laid before them, and found the different accounts of the Treasurer and Collector correct; and it appears that on the 21st of January 1825, a balance of £4494 5 1 remained in the Treasurer's hands, and from that period to the 14th October 1825, the sum of £3353 12 2 had been received by the Treasurer, exclusive of £2,400 in Treasury Notes, handed him by the Commissioners, out of which, the sum of £1270 has been issued, of which amount, the sum of £250 has been already returned into the Treasury, leaving £1,020 outstanding, and the sum of £1130 of notes yet remaining in the Treasurer's hands.

That during the above period, the Treasurer had paid the sum of £3580 14 3 exclusive of his commission £192 5 7, leaving a balance in the Treasury of £6474 17 4 in money, securities, and treasury notes.

The committee observe there are many large sums now afloat, which have not been yet paid by the Treasurer, but your committee feel confident that the growing revenue for this Quarter will exceed such amount.

That out of the above sum of	£3580 14 3½
there has been laid out for	
Roads, Bridges, and surveys for roads, the sum of	2034 10 6
Contingencies, including part of the expences of the General Assembly, the sum of	1444 4 5½
Militia, the sum of	89 14 4
Reward for killing Bears and Loupcerviers	12 5 0

£3580 14 3½

Your committee beg leave further to suggest, that some of the services mentioned in the warrant book are expressed in such general and vague terms, to wit, "for pub-

lic services," and "for public jobs," that it is difficult for any committee to discover for what sort of services such payments are made.

On motion, the bill to continue an act made and passed in the 5th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying an additional duty on all wines, gin, brandy, rum, and other distilled spirituous liquors imported into this Island, and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act the several laws made by the General Assembly of this Island, relative to the duties of impost on wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors, and for allowing a drawback upon all wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors exported from this Island," received the second reading.

On motion, the bill to alter and continue an act made and passed in the 5th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled "an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying a duty on Tobacco and Tea," received the second reading.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the bill to continue an act made and passed in the 5th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying an additional duty on all wines, gin, brandy, rum, and other distilled spirituous liquors imported into this Island, and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act the several laws made by the General Assembly of this Island relative to the duties of impost on wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors, and for allowing a drawback upon all wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors exported from this Island."

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Mabey took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Mabey chairman of the committee reported that they had made a progress in the bill, and that he was directed by the committee to move that they may have leave to sit again. Ordered accordingly.

On motion the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take into consideration the bill to continue an

an act made and passed in the 5th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled "an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying a duty on Tobacco and Tea,"

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Mabey took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Mabey chairman of the committee

reported that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same.

On motion, the said bill received the third reading.

Ordered, that the same do pass and be engrossed.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, October 21, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On motion, the bill to authorise the Commissioners named and appointed under an act made and passed in the fifth year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act to empower his Excellency the Lieut. Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being to appoint Commissioners to issue Treasury Notes," to issue Notes of the value of ten shillings each, received the third reading.

Ordered, that the said bill do pass and be engrossed.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take into consideration the bill to revive and continue an act made and passed in the 52d year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act for raising a fund to make and keep in repair the pumps, wells, and streets of Charlotte-Town, and for other purposes therein mentioned,"

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Mabey took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Mabey chairman of the committee reported that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same with an amendment and an alteration in the title, the title of which stands as follows, viz.

A bill intituled an act to revive, alter, and continue an act made and passed in the 52d year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act for raising a fund to make and keep in repair the pumps, wells and streets of Charlotte-Town, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

On motion, the said bill received the third reading.

Ordered, that the same do pass and be engrossed.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take

into consideration the bill to regulate marriages.

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. Cameron took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Cameron chairman of the committee reported, that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same with an alteration in the title, which is as follows, viz.

A bill intituled an act to regulate marriages and baptisms.

On motion, the said bill received the third reading.

Ordered, that the same do pass and be engrossed.

A message from His Majesty's Council, by Mr. Goodman, acting clerk.

Mr. Speaker,

His Majesty's Council have agreed to the bill intituled an act to repeal an act made and passed in the 21st year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act declaring that baptism of slaves shall not exempt them from bondage." without any amendment.

GEORGE RICH. GOODMAN,
Acting C. C.

Council Chamber, Oct. 21, 1825.

By order, Mr. Hodgson carried to his Majesty's Council the following bills for their concurrence viz.

A bill intituled an act to authorise the commissioners named and appointed under an act made and passed in the the 5th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act to empower his Excellency the Lieut. Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being to appoint commissioners to issue treasury notes," to issue notes of the value of ten shillings each.

A Bill intituled, an act to revive, alter, and continue an act made and passed in the 52d year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled, "an act for raising a fund to make and keep in repair the pumps, wells, and streets of Charlotte-Town and for other purposes therein mentioned."

A bill intituled an act to alter and continue an act made and passed in the 5th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled "an act for increasing the Revenue by levying a duty on Tobacco and Tea."

Also, the following bill as amended, viz.

A bill intituled an act in addition to, and in further amendment of an act made and passed in the 13th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act prohibiting the sale (by retail) of rum or other distilled spirituous liquors, without first having a licence for that purpose, and for the due regulation of such as shall be licenced."

A message from his Majesty's Council by Mr. Goodman, their acting clerk.

Mr. Speaker,

His Majesty's Council have passed a bill intituled an act in addition to and in amendment of an act made and passed in the 59th year of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Third, intituled an act to limit the duration of the terms of the Supreme Court of Judicature and for other purposes therein mentioned, to which they pray the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

On motion, the said bill received the first reading.

Mr. M'Neill moved that the following Resolution be adopted by the House, viz.

Resolved, That a respectful address be presented to his Excellency, requesting that his Excellency would be pleased to inform this House of the steps that have been taken to facilitate the objects of the two several addresses of this House to his Excellency, dated 23d March 1825, relative to the offices enjoyed by the Hon. Ambrose Lane, and the conduct of James Bardin Palmer, Esq. in the case of the Greenwich Tenants. The question being put, the House divided;

For the motion,
Mr. M'Neill,
Mr. Montgomery,
Mr. Hyde,
Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Mabey,
Mr. Dockendorff,
Mr. Stewart,
The Attorney Gen.
Mr. Coffin,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Bearistoe.

Against it,
Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Hodgson,
Dr. M'Aulay,
Mr. Owen.

The motion was accordingly carried.

Ordered, that Mr. M'Neill, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Campbell, be appointed a committee to draw the said address.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to resume the consideration of the bill intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the 5th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying an additional duty on all wines, gin, brandy, rum, and other distilled spirituous liquors imported into this Island, and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act the several laws made by the General Assembly of this Island, relative to the duties of impost on wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors, and for allowing a drawback upon all wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors exported from this Island,"

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. Mabey took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Mabey chairman of the committee reported that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same.

On motion, the said bill received the third reading.

Ordered, that the same do pass and be engrossed.

The Attorney General with leave of the House, withdrew the bill for Barring Estates Tail.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, October 22, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

A message from his Excellency the Lieut. Governor, by J. L. Hurdis, Esq. Private Secretary.

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

“Since the last Session, I have considered of the address of the House to me on the subject of the offices held by Mr. Lane in the Court of Chancery, and I have endeavoured to remedy the evil complained of by separating the offices of Master and Registrar, and have appointed Mr. Hodgson, a professional man, to the office of Master; and it is my intention, to have the fees of the office so regulated, as to remove all cause of complaint.

“With regard to the address on the subject of the Loan of Public Money for private purposes, I have procured the sum so lent, to be repaid into the Treasury, amounting to 46*L.* 10*s.*

“I have also considered the address to me complaining of the conduct of Mr. J. B. Palmer, in the Court of Chancery, (one of the Solicitors of that Court,) and I have caused the Solicitor General, with the aid of the Master in Chancery, to institute an enquiry into the proceeding complained of and report the same to me, with the evidence, which I understand is nearly completed, and that it will shortly be ready for my determination.

“J. READY, Lt. Governor.”

On motion the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take into consideration the following communication from his Excellency the Lieut. Governor relative to the appropriation of monies for Roads and Bridges for the ensuing year, viz.

Appropriation for Roads and Bridges for the year 1825 **£2500 0 0**
Of which there has been expended,

That set apart for the repair of the road from Mrs. McAulay's to Tryon, 100 0 0
From Cherry Valley turn to George Town 472 1 10
From Vernon River to Orwell Bridge 100 0 0
Pinnette Mills to Wood Islands 100 0 0

772 1 10

	772 1 10	£2500 0 0
St. Peter's Bay to Bay Fortune	295 0 0	
To be given to the person who shall make the best line of road to be certified by the Commissioner	5 0 0	
	<hr/> 300 0 0	
Hermitage and North creek Bridges	78 10 0	
Hope River bridge	47 19 11	
Montague River do.	20 0 0	
Road through Lot 43	100 0 0	
	<hr/> £1318 11 9	
Expence of surveys.	1181 8 3	
Mr. Townshend for surveys of the Wood Island, Bay Fortune, George Town Road, &c.	£78 7 1	
Mr. Curtis, Western Road	129 14 6	
	<hr/> £208 1 7	
Salary to 12 commissioners	120 0 0	
	<hr/> 328 1 7	
Leaving a balance of	-	853 6 8
To which the Lieut. Governor is disposed to add a sum equal to that of last Session, viz.	2500 0 0	
Contracts have been entered into for completing the Western Road from Hooper's to Bagnall's, (10 miles) for the sum of	211 10 0	
And from Bagnall's to Prince Town, (20 miles) for	1000 0 0	
	<hr/> 1211 10 0	
Leaving a clear sum for the service of the current year	2141 16 8	
Mr. Speaker left the chair,		
Mr. Mabey took the chair of the committee,		
Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,		
Mr. Mabey chairman of the committee reported that they had made a progress, and that he was directed by the committee to move that they may have leave to sit again. Ordered accordingly.		

A message from his Majesty's Council by Mr. Goodman, their acting clerk.

Mr. Speaker,

His Majesty's Council have agreed to the bill intituled an act to revive, alter, and continue an act made and passed in the 52d year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act for raising a fund to make and keep in repair the pumps, wells, and streets of Charlotte-Town, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

By order, Mr. Hodgson, carried to his Majesty's Council the following bills, for their concurrence, viz.

A bill intituled an act to regulate marriages and baptisms, also,

A bill intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the 5th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying an additional duty on all wines, gin, brandy, rum, and other distilled spirituous liquors imported into this Island, and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act the several laws made by the General Assembly of this Island relative to the duties of impost on wines, rum, brandy, and other

distilled spirituous liquors, and for allowing a drawback upon all wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors exported from this Island,"

A message from his Majesty's Council, by Mr. Goodman, their acting clerk,

Mr. Speaker,

His Majesty's Council have agreed to the bill intituled an act to alter and continue an act made and passed in the 5th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled "an act for increasing the Revenue by levying a duty on Tobacco and Tea." without any amendment.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to resume the consideration of his Excellency's communication relative to the appropriation of monies for Roads and Bridges for the ensuing year.

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. Mabey took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Mabey chairman of the committee reported that they had made a progress in the same, and that he was directed by the committee to move that they may have leave to sit again. Ordered accordingly.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock on Monday next.

MONDAY, October 24, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to resume the consideration of his Excellency's communication relative to the appropriation of monies for Roads and Bridges for the ensuing year.

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Mabey took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. Mabey chairman of the committee reported that the committee had taken into consideration the communication from his Excellency, relative to the expenditure of monies on the Roads for the current year, also his Excellency's recommendation relative to the appropriation of monies on Roads and Bridges for the ensuing year, and that your committee beg leave to recommend that the same be disposed of in following manner, viz.

For making the 4, 7 and 8 mile Bridges on the Prince Town Road, the sum of	£50	0	6
For making and repairing Bridges on the Prince Town Road between Crabb's and Bagnall's	60	0	0
For bridges on the new line of Road from Bagnall's to Prince Town	180	0	0
For repairing and keeping passable the bridges from Bagnall's to Prince Town on the old road until the new one is completed	40	0	0
For road and bridges from the new line of Prince Town road to Traveller's Rest	50	0	0
For making a new bridge on Dog River	75	0	0
For road from Dog River to West River	25	0	0
For road from West River to Tryon	25	0	0
For road from Tryon to Bedeque (as voted last year)	50	0	0
For Wilmot Creek bridge the sum of 116 16 8 in addition to 100 0 0 voted for the same last year	206	16	8
For the road from West River bridge to 9 mile House	30	0	0
For the road from Lot 13 to the Portage in Lot 10, (including surveys)	280	0	0

	£1081 16 8
For the new road at Fife's Ferry New London, to the Prince-Town road, and in aid of a bridge over Spring brook	40 0 0
For the road and bridges from Hooper's to Cole's on the Rustico road	70 0 0
For the George-Town road and bridges to be continued and made complete from Hayden's towards George-Town	150 0 0
For the road from the County line towards Montague river	40 0 0
For the road from Vernon river to Orwell bridge, to follow the new line of road	100 0 0
For the road from Pinnette to Wood Islands	50 0 0
For Bird Island Creek bridge on the St. Peter's Road	150 0 0
For road and bridges from 5 mile House to Bishop M'Eachran's	120 0 0
For the bridges from Bishop M'Eachran's to Morrell	20 0 0
In aid of a bridge on the Brackley Point road	20 0 0
For incidental repairs of bridges and surveys (not already provided for)	180 0 0
For Commissioners' salaries	120 0 0

£2144 16 8

The Committee further approve of the sum of 211 10 as contracted for on the 10 miles from Hooper's to Bagnall's in addition to the 1000 0 0 voted last year for the Prince Town Road

1214 10 0

£3353 6 8

Total expenditure for the year 1826 on the roads	2500 0 0
Balance in hand of expenditure for the year-1825	853 6 8

£3353 6 8

Ordered, that the report of the committee be agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House, a letter which was handed him by the Sergeant at Arms, from *Lemuel Cambridge*, Esquire, one of the Members of this House, stating that his health was such as to prevent him from attending to his duty in this House, which was read.

A message from his Majesty's Council, by Mr. Goodman, their acting clerk.

Mr. Speaker,

His Majesty's Council have agreed to the bill intituled an act to continue an act made

and passed in the 5th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act for increasing the Revenue by levying an additional duty on all wines, gin, brandy, rum, and other distilled spirituous liquors imported into this Island, and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act the several laws made by the General Assembly of this Island, relative to the duties of impost on wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors, and for allowing a drawback upon all wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors exported from this Island," without any amendment.

Mr. *Campbell* moved for leave to bring in a bill for appropriating certain monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord 1826, which was granted, and the same on motion, received the first reading.

On motion, the said bill received the second reading.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take into consideration the said bill.

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

Mr. *Campbell* took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

Mr. *Campbell* chairman of the committee reported that they had gone through the bill and agreed to the same.

On motion of Dr. *M'Alay*, it was ordered, that the second reading of the bill intituled an act in addition to and in amendment of an act made and passed in the 59th year of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "an act to limit the duration of the terms of the Supreme Court of Judicature, and for other purposes therein mentioned," be the order of the day for to-morrow.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, October 25, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On motion, the bill for appropriating certain monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord 1826, received the third reading.

On motion that the said bill do pass, the House divided,

For the motion,

Mr. Campbell,

Mr. Hodgson,

Mr. Mabey,

Mr. Dockendorff,

Mr. Coffin,

Mr. Owen,

Mr. Hyde,

Mr. Bearistoe,

Mr. M'Neill,

Mr. Montgomery,

Dr. M'Aufay,

Mr. Jardine.

Against it,

Mr. Cameron,

The motion was accordingly carried.

Ordered, that the said bill be engrossed.

The *Attorney General* moved that a committee be appointed for the purpose of selecting and purchasing books for the use of this House. Ordered accordingly. The *Speaker*, the *Attorney General*, Mr. *Hodgson*, and Mr. *Cameron*, were appointed a committee for that purpose.

On motion, ordered, that a committee be appointed to draw an address to his Excellency the Lieut. Governor to thank his Excellency for his communication relative to the expenditure of monies on the roads for the current year, and also for his recommendation that the like sum should be appropriated for the same purpose the ensuing year. Also, to call the attention of his Excellency to the act of this Island, obliging proprietors of lots or townships of land in this Island, and who have contributed nothing towards the settlement or improvement of the same, and whose lands lie in a waste and uncultivated state, to pay their proportion of the public charges for the making and repairing the Highways, Roads, and Bridges. Mr. *Cameron*, Mr. *Hodgson*, and Mr. *Owen*, were accordingly appointed for that purpose.

By order, Mr. *Hodgson* carried to his Majesty's Council the bill intituled an act for appropriating certain monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord 1826, for their concurrence.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Tuesday 3 o'clock.—The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from his Majesty's Council, by Mr. *Goodman*, their acting clerk.

Mr. *Speaker*,

His Majesty's Council have agreed to the bill intituled an act to authorise the Commissioners named and appointed under an act made and passed in the 5th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act to empower his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being to appoint Commissioners to issue Treasury Notes," to issue Notes of the value of ten shillings each; without any amendment.

His Majesty's Council have passed the bill intituled "an act relating to marriages and baptisms," with certain amendments, to which they pray the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the amendments proposed by his Majesty's Council to the said bill.

Mr. *Speaker* left the chair,

The *Attorney General* took the chair of the committee;

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the chair,

The *Attorney General* chairman of the committee reported that they had taken into consideration the amendments proposed by his Majesty's Council to the said bill, and that the committee had agreed to the same.

On motion, ordered, that the said bill do pass with the amendments and be re-engrossed, the title of which bill, stands as follows, viz. a bill intituled "an act relating to marriages and baptisms, and for making polygamy felony."

Mr. *Cameron* chairman of the committee appointed to draw an address to his Excellency the Lieut. Governor, to thank his Excellency for his communication relative to the expenditure of monies on the Roads for the current year, and for his recommendation that the like sum should be appropriated for the same purpose the ensuing year, also

calling the attention of his Excellency to the act of this Island, obliging the proprietors of Lots or Townships of Land in this Island, and who have contributed nothing towards the settlement or improvement of the same, and whose lands lie in a waste and uncultivated state, to pay their proportion of the public charges for making and repairing the highways, roads and bridges; presented the draft of an address to the House, which was read and agreed to, and is as follows:

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

"May it please your Excellency,

"We his Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Representatives of Prince Edward Island, in General Assembly convened, beg leave to return your Excellency our sincere thanks for your communication relative to the expenditure of monies on the Roads for the current year, and also for your recommendation that the like sum should be appropriated for the same purpose the ensuing year. Having had under our consideration the appropriation of such sums, we beg leave to suggest to your Excellency that the same may be applied as follows, viz:

For making the 4, 7 and 8 mile Bridges on the Prince Town Road, the sum of	50	0	0
For making and repairing Bridges on the Prince Town Road between Crabb's and Bagnall's	60	0	0
For bridges on the new line of Road from Bagnall's to Prince Town	180	0	0
For repairing and keeping passable the bridges from Bagnall's to Prince Town on the old road until the new one is completed	40	0	0
For road and bridges from the new line of Prince Town road to Traveller's Rest	50	0	0
For making a new bridge on Dog River	75	0	0
For road from Dog River to West River	25	0	0
For road from West River to Tryon	25	0	0
For road from Tryon to Bedéqué (as voted last year)	50	0	0
For Wilmot Creek bridge the sum of 116 16 8 in addition to 100 0 0 voted for the same last year	216	16	8
For the road from West River bridge to 9 mile House	50	0	0
For the road from Lot 13 to the Portage in Lot 10, (including surveys)	280	0	0
For the new road at Fife's Ferry New London, to the Prince-Town road, and in aid of a bridge over Spring brook	40	0	0
For the road and bridges from Hooper's to Cole's on the Ruston road	70	0	0
For the George-Town road and bridges to be continued and made complete from Hayden's towards George-Town	150	0	0
For the road from the County line towards Montague river	40	0	0
For the road from Vernon river to Orwell bridge, to follow the new line of road	100	0	0
For the road from Pinnacle to Wood Islands	50	0	0

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For Bird Island Creek bridge on the St. Peter's Road	150	0	0
For road and bridges from 5 mile House to Bishop M'Eachran's	120	0	0
For the bridges from Bishop M'Eachran's to Morrell	20	0	0
In aid of a bridge on the Brackley Point road	20	0	0
For incidental repairs of bridges and surveys (not already provided for)	180	0	0
For Commissioners' salaries	120	0	0

£2141 16 8

The Committee further approve of the sum of 211 10 as contracted for on the 10 miles from Hooper's to Bagnall's in addition to the 1000 0 0 voted last year for the Prince Town Road

1211 10 0

£3353 6 8

Total expenditure for the year 1826 on the roads	2500	0	0
Balance in hand of expenditure for the year 1825	853	6	8

£3353 6 8

"We beg leave also to call the attention of your Excellency to an act of this Island, intituled "an act to oblige the respective proprietors of Lots or Townships of Land, or of parts of Lots or Townships of land in this Island, and who have contributed nothing towards the settlement or improvement of this Island, and whose lands lie in a waste and uncultivated state to pay their proportion of the public charges for the making and repairing the Highways, Roads, and Bridges of the said Island, as we believe, several of the new lines of road will go, or have gone through Lots or parts of Lots in the situation contemplated by the said act, particularly the new line of road to Prince-Town, which goes through a waste and unsettled Township, viz. Lot or Township Number (67) sixty-seven, and the line of road to George-Town, also goes through Lot or Township Number (66), which the House believe to be in a similar situation.

"We also think it very probable, that when further surveys are made on some other parts of the road, several instances will be found to occur of the line going through Townships, or parts of Townships, in an uncultivated state."

Ordered, that Mr. Mabej, the Attorney General, and Mr. Dockendorff, be appointed a committee to wait on his Excellency with the said address.

Dr. M'Alay in consequence of the pressure of business this day, moved that the second reading of the bill intituled an act in addition to, and in amendment of an act made and passed in the 59th year of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Third intituled "an act to limit the duration of the terms of the Supreme Court of Judicature, and for other purposes therein mentioned," be the order of the day for to-morrow. Ordered accordingly.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, October 26, 1825.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On motion for the order of the day, the bill intituled an act in addition to, and in amendment of an act made and passed in the 59th year of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "an act to limit the duration of the terms of the Supreme Court of Judicature, and for other purposes therein mentioned," received the second reading.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House to take into consideration the said bill.

Mr. Speaker left the chair,

The Attorney General took the chair of the committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair,

The Attorney General chairman of the committee reported that they had gone through the bill, but that the committee had not agreed to the same. On motion that the Report of the committee be agreed to, the House divided,

For the motion,	Against it,
The Attorney Gen.	Dr. M'Aulay,
Mr. Dockendorff,	Mr. Hodgson,
Mr. Bearistoe,	Mr. Coffin.
Mr. M'Neill,	
Mr. Cameron,	
Mr. Montgomery,	
Mr. Mabey,	
Mr. Jardine,	
Mr. Hyde,	
Mr. Campbell.	

The motion was accordingly carried.

Mr. *Mabey* chairman of the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency the Lieut. Governor with the address of yesterday, thanking his Excellency for his communication relative to roads and bridges, and calling his Excellency's attention to the act of this Island relating to uncultivated Townships, &c. reported that they had waited on his Excellency with the same, and that his Excellency was pleased to say, that he would attend to the recommendation of the House on the subject therein mentioned.

By order, Mr. *Hodgson* carried to his Majesty's Council the bill intituled "an act relating to marriages and baptisms, and for making polygamy felony," as amended.

Mr. *Hodgson* presented to the House the draft of an address to his Excellency the Lieut. Governor, calling his Excellency's attention to the unprotected state of this Colony, from the want of a sufficient number of regular troops, and to request that his Excellency would be pleased to

make known our wants in the proper quarter, and use his influence for their remedy, which was read and agreed to, and is as follows :

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

" May it please your Excellency,

" We his Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the House of Assembly of Prince Edward Island, beg leave to call your Excellency's attention to the present unprotected state of this Colony. Whilst a large number of regular troops are constantly quartered in the neighbouring Provinces ; for the last seven years, there has never been more than thirty men, at one time, within this Island, although in none of them can soldiers be more comfortably lodged and cheaply subsisted.

" We entreat your Excellency to make known in the proper quarter, these our wants, and use your influence for their remedy."

Ordered, that Mr. *Hodgson*, Mr. *Cameron*, and Mr. *Mabey*, be appointed a committee to wait on his Excellency with the said address.

Mr. *Campbell* moved that an address be presented to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor thanking his Excellency for the communication made to this House in answer to two addresses presented to his Excellency Session, relative to certain proceedings in the Court of Chancery, and to assure his Excellency that this House still feels a deep interest in the result of the enquiry now pending relative to the conduct of J. B. Palmer, Esq. a Solicitor in that Court.

Mr. *Cameron* moved as an amendment that an address be presented to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, thanking him for the communication made to this House on the 22d instant, in answer to three addresses presented to his Excellency during the last Session, the question being put, the House divided,

For the amendment	Against it,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Hodgson,	The Attorney Gen.
Dr. M'Aulay,	Mr. M'Neill,
	Mr. Dockendorff,
	Mr. Montgomery,
	Mr. Coffin,
	Mr. Bearistoe,
	Mr. Jardine,
	Mr. Mabey,
	Mr. Hyde.

So the amendment was lost, and the the question being put on the original motion, the said motion was carried.

Ordered, that Mr. *Campbell*, Mr. *M'Neill*, and Mr. *Mabey*, be appointed a committee to draw the said Address.

Mr. *Hodgson* chairman of the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency with the address of the House, stating the unprotected state of this Colony from the want of a sufficient number of troops, reported that they had waited on His Excellency with the same, and that His Excel-

lency was pleased to say that he would use his best endeavours to procure a fair proportion of troops for this Colony as wished by the House.

On motion of Mr. *Cameron*, it was ordered, that a copy of the Warrant Book be printed with as little delay as possible, and a copy thereof furnished to each member.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, October 27, 1825.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

Mr. *Campbell* chairman of the committee appointed to draw an address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor relative to the two addresses of this House presented to his Excellency last Session on the subject of certain proceedings in the Court of Chancery, presented the draft of an address, which was read and agreed to, and is as follows, viz :

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

May it please your Excellency,

“ We his Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Representatives of Prince Edward Island, in General Assembly convened, beg leave to thank your Excellency for the communication made to this House in answer to two Addresses presented to your Excellency during the last Session relative to certain proceedings in the Court of Chancery; and to assure your Excellency that this House still feels a deep interest in the result of the inquiry now pending, relative to the conduct of James Bardin Palmer, Esq. a Solicitor in that Court.”

Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, the draft of an address to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to request that his Excellency would be pleased to cause the acts passed this Session, to be printed in the Island Newspaper, which was read and agreed to and is as follows, viz :

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

“ May it please your Excellency,

“ We his Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Representatives of Prince Edward Island, in General Assembly convened, beg leave to recommend that

your Excellency would be pleased to cause the acts passed this Session to be published in the Island Newspaper with as little delay as possible, for the information of the public.”

Ordered, that Mr. *Cameron*, Mr. *Mabey*, and Mr. *M'Neill*, be appointed a committee to wait on his Excellency with the foregoing addresses.

Mr. *Cameron* chairman of the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency with the address relative to printing the laws in the Island newspaper, reported that they had waited on his Excellency with the same, and that his Excellency was pleased to say that he would attend to the wishes of the House on that subject.

Mr. *Cameron* chairman of the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency with the address relative to Mr. Palmer, a Solicitor, in the Court of Chancery, reported that they had waited on his Excellency with the same, and that his Excellency was pleased to say that he had put the business relative to Mr. Palmer in a train of inquiry, and when completed he would be able to determine.

On motion of Mr. *Mabey* the following Resolution was adopted by the House, viz :

Resolved, that this House owing to the pressure of public business, and the shortness of the Session, find it impracticable to investigate the grievances complained of in the Petition of the Inhabitants of King's County presented to this House last Session, but will deem it their duty to embrace the opportunity of resuming the consideration thereof next Session.

The House of Assembly having taken into consideration the incidental expences of this Session, allowed the same as follows:

To the Reverend *Thomas Adin*,
Chaplain to the House of Assembly. - - £10 0 0

Mr. *Charles Desbrisay*, Clerk to the House of Assembly, for his services, Stationary, &c. £40 13 3

Mr. *James Douglas Haszard*, Printer to the House of Assembly, for printing Journals and Warrant Book this Session, - - - £23 0 0

Mr. *John Robinson*, Sergeant at Arms, for his services as such to the House of Assembly, 16 days 7s. per day, - - £5 12 0

His account for providing fuel and candles, fixing stove, mending it, and including new pipe for the same, - - £6 14 0

Mr. *George Mabey*, for his services as Messenger to the House of Assembly, 16 days at 6s. 6d. per day, - - £5 4 0

William Birch, for his services as Door-keeper to the House of Assembly, 16 days at 5s. per day, - - - £4 0 0

His account for washing the Assembly Room, - - - 0 7 6

Ordered, that the foregoing account be sent up to his Majesty's Council for their concurrence.

A message from his Majesty's Council, by Mr. Goodman, their acting clerk.

Mr. Speaker,

His Majesty's Council have agreed to the bill intituled "an act for appropriating certain monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord 1826."

The following communication was handed in by the acting Clerk of his Majesty's Council, which was read and ordered to be inserted on the Journals, viz.

Council Chamber, Oct. 27, 1825.

On motion, it was ordered, that the following resolution be entered upon the Journals of this House, and that a copy thereof be sent down to the House of Assembly with the Appropriation bill.

His Majesty's Council have been induced to give their assent at this time to the bill intituled "an act for appropriating certain monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six," from the consideration that the Session is now near a close and great inconvenience might be experienced by the Colony were they to reject it, although there are several appropriations and clauses contained in it which are deemed very objectionable; but his Majesty's Council wish it to be understood in future, that, while they will at all times earnestly endeavour to give effect to the measures of the House of Assembly,

they will also be disposed to exercise their right of deliberating separately upon every measure for which provision is to be made in the Appropriation bill from any monies raised, or to be raised by virtue of any other act or acts of the General Assembly, and that his Majesty's Council will not in future be disposed to give their assent to any bill for appropriating such monies unless the several sums and services therein contained shall have been previously submitted by the House of Assembly in separate resolutions for the concurrence of his Majesty's Council, and shall have severally received their assent.

G. R. GOODMAN,
Acting C. C.

A message from his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by George Richard Goodman, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod,

Mr. Speaker,

It is the command of his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that this Honorable House do attend his Excellency immediately in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker with the House went to attend his Excellency in the Council Chamber, when his Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the following bills, viz.

I. A bill intituled an act to render perpetual an act made and passed in the 57th year of the reign of his late Majesty intituled "an act to enable creditors more easily to recover their debts from co-partners and joint debtors."

II. A bill intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the first year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act to regulate the measurement of ton timber, boards, and all other kinds of lumber, and to repeal two certain acts made and passed in the 14th and 57th year of his late Majesty's reign, and also for declaring what shall be deemed merchantable and for appointing officers to survey the same."

III. A bill intituled an act to repeal an act made and passed in the 43d year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to alter and amend an act made and passed in the 26th year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled, an act for the trial of actions in a summary way."

IV. A bill intituled an act to repeal a certain clause of an act made and passed in the 31st year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act for admitting persons to swear to their own accounts in certain cases, and for amending certain practical parts of the law, in order to the more easy and speedy attainment of public justice in this Island."

V. A bill intituled an act to repeal an act made and passed in the 30th year of the

reign of his late Majesty, intituled, "an act to prevent unnecessary expence and delays in certain actions, wherein judgments have passed by default."

VI. A bill intituled an act relating to marriages and baptisms, and for making polygamy, felony.

VII. A bill intituled an act to repeal an act made and passed in the 21st year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act declaring that baptism of slaves shall not exempt them from bondage."

VIII. A bill intituled "an act in addition to and in further amendment of an act made and passed in the 13th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act prohibiting the sale (by retail) of rum or other distilled spirituous liquors, without first having a licence for that purpose, and for the due regulation of such as shall be licensed."

IX. A bill intituled an act to revive, alter and continue an act made and passed in the 52d year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "an act for raising a fund to make and keep in repair the pumps, wells, and streets of Charlotte-Town, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

The Speaker then addressed his Excellency as follows :

"May it please your Excellency,

"In presenting for your acceptance the Bills for raising the supply granted by this House for the public service at the last Session of the Legislature, I stated to your Excellency, that the same was granted chiefly from the high consideration in which it holds your Excellency's character. In offering for your Excellency's acceptance the Bills which we have now passed for continuing these Laws, it becomes my duty to say, that the confidence then felt and expressed has been fully justified by the fidelity and attention with which your Excellency has managed the public Expenditure since you entered upon the Government of the Island.

"While the colony has the advantage of your Excellency's care and attention, the subject of our permanent Revenue, so improvidently granted by our predecessors, will excite less anxiety than has heretofore been felt, but, we remember, that your Excellency will not be always with us, and, looking back to the long period in which the Revenue was either wasted or grossly misapplied, I still think it my duty, in presenting the Bills I hold in my hand, to state to your Excellency, that the Colony feels the same interest in that matter which I then expressed to your Excellency, and, we trust, that we may look forward to the accomplishment of that important object at an early period.

I have the honor to present the following bills, to which the House beg your Excellency's concurrence.

His Excellency was then pleased to give his assent to the said bills to wit :

X. A bill intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the 6th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act for encreasing the Revenue by levying an additional duty on all wines, gin, brandy,

rum, and other distilled spirituous liquors imported into this Island, and to repeal and amend certain parts of an act passed in the 25th year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "an act to amend, render more effectual, and to reduce into one act the several laws made by the General Assembly of this Island, relative to the duties of impost on wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors, and for allowing a drawback upon all wines, rum, brandy, and other distilled spirituous liquors exported from this Island."

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

XII. A bill intituled an act to authorise the Commissioners named and appointed under an act made and passed in the 6th year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled "an act to empower his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being to appoint Commissioners to issue Treasury Notes," to issue Notes of the value of ten shillings each.

XIII. A bill intituled an act for appropriating certain monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord 1826:

His Excellency was then pleased to deliver the following Speech to both Houses :

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

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

"The zealous and continued attention which you have given to the several matters which have come under your consideration during the present Session demand my warmest thanks, and enables me now to relieve you from further attendance on your public duty.

"I thank you for the liberal supplies, considering the means of this Colony, which you have granted for the several services of the ensuing year, and you may rest assured that they shall be carefully applied conformable to the terms of each respective grant.

"The unanimity and harmony which has been manifested by the Legislature during the present Session is highly creditable to this Colony, and affords me the pleasant prospect of being enabled to administer the Government which His Majesty has intrusted to my hands, with advantage to the Island, and satisfaction to myself."

The President of his Majesty's Council, by his Excellency's command, then said

Gentlemen,

It is his Excellency's will and pleasure, that this General Assembly be prorogued to Thursday the Second day of February next, and this General Assembly is prorogued accordingly.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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Nos.		£. s. d.			
59	Mr. Peter Smith being for trip with mail of 1st Jan. 1825.	15 0 0	87	The Rev. Thomas Adin being for his services as chaplain to the Houses of Assembly last Session.	20 0 0.
60	William Mudge being for services performed with his ferry boat.	5 12 6	88	G R Goodman, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod. being a sum allowed him for his services last Session.	10 0 0
61	Henry Palmer, Assistant Overseer being his allowance for the year 1824.	5 0 0	89	James Pollard, Gaoler being the amount of articles purchased for the use of Thomas Murphy a lunatic confined in the Gaol.	6 2 6½
62	Fade Goff, Esq. C C being a balance due him on his account for crown prosecutions.	5 17 8	90	Hector Mac Eachen being a sum allowed him for carrying a dispatch to St. Peter's.	2 0 0
63	John Rider being for some small repairs in the Court House.	4 10 0	91	Simon Dodd, Deputy Sheriff being the amount of his account allowed.	95 0 0
64	Donald M'Phee being the amount of his contract for Big Pond bridge.	29 15 0	92	Mr. Peter Smith being for trip with mail of 15th ult.	15 0 0
65	Mr. Peter Smith being for trip with mail of 1st Feb.	15 0 0	93	John Mac Donald being his contract for finishing Orwell bridge.	3 0 0
66	Mr. Peter Smith being for trip with mail of 1st March.	15 0 0	94	John Mac Isaac being his contract for small bridges Lot 44.	6 0 0
67	John M'Eachern being the amount of his contract for Campbell's bridge.	36 0 0	95	John Mac Intosh being his contract for Newfrage bridge.	19 0 9
68	Benjamin M'Eachern being his contract for Big Pond bridge.	19 0 0	96	Duncan Campbell, Adjutant 3d battalion militia being an allowance for services.	5 6 8
69	James M'Intyre being for repair of Crooked River bridge.	3 5 0	97	W B Davidson being for work done in the Magistrates' Court.	7 0 0
70	John M'Kinnon being his contract for Mackaskel River bridge.	37 0 0	98	Mr. Peter Smith, Packet Man being an allowance made him for lay-days and other losses.	25 0 0
71	J B Palmer, Esq. Chief O. Roads being his quarter's salary up to 1st April 1825.	20 0 0	99	Messrs. Wright & Rider being for Public Jobs.	3 16 0
72	James Pollard, Gaoler being his quarter's salary.	10 0 0	100	J. E. Carmichael, C. C. being shopman's bill for cloth for covering table and desks in Council Chamber.	8 10 4
73	Donald Nicholson being his allowance for the last quarter.	5 0 0	101	James Bagnall, King's Printer being for Government Printing.	9 15 0
74	Mrs. Sarah Stewart being her annuity to the 1st April 1825.	5 0 0	102	James Gibson being a sum due him as Wharfinger.	2 3 4
75	James Breeding, School Master being his quarter's salary to 1st April.	6 5 0	103	John Davis being his contract for supplying the Gaol with bread.	9 16 3
76	Angus Mac Eachern D C O being his allowance for the year 1824.	5 0 0	104	James Down being his contract for supplying Gaol with fuel.	23 6 3
77	Clear Lallow, Market Clerk being his quarterly account and contingencies.	10 16 0	105	J E Carmichael, Colonial Secty. being his quarterly account amounting to 12l 9s 4d sterling, and Lt. Governor's fees amounting to 8l 10s stg.	23 5 11
78	William Curtis being his account for survey, plan, and report on Prince-Town road.	60 12 0	106	William Pope, high sheriff being for articles furnished for the use of the gaol.	17 13 5
79	Fade Goff, Esq. Coroner being for two Inquests.	5 9 1	107	Fade Goff Esq. coroner being for an Inquest on the body of a stranger.	3 16 9
80	J. E. Carmichael, Esq. C L A being the amount of his account as clerk to the Legislative Council during the late Session.	50 8 1	108	William Townshend, Esq. being for a Government survey.	21 15 0
81	Charles Desbrisay, Clerk to the House of Assembly, being the amount of his account as such during the late Session.	110 8 4	109	James Bagnall, King's printer being for public printing.	25 0 0
82	John Robinson, Sergeant at Arms being for articles furnished for the House of Assembly.	17 19 6	110	James Douglas Hassard being for Government printing.	49 5 0
83	John Robinson, Sergeant at Arms being 28 days pay as such at 7s per day.	16 16 0	111	Robert Saunderson being the amount of his agreement for keeping the Midgell Bridge in repair.	20 0 0
84	William Birch, Door keeper being 45 days pay as such to the House of Assembly at 4s per day and 7s contingencies.	9 19 0	112	Fade Goff Esq. C C being an advance for payment of witnesses in Crown Prosecutions.	15 0 0
85	Nicholas Coonachan, Messenger of the Legislative Council at 6s. 6d per diem amounting to 15l 12s and 2l 13s contingencies making in all	18 5 6	113	James Pollard, gaoler being his quarter's salary to 30th ult.	10 0 0
86	George Mabey, Messenger to the House of Assembly being 48 days attendance as such at 6s 6d per day.	15 12 0			

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114	J F Holland Adjutant General of Militia, being his half year's salary.	30	0	0	141	J L Hurdis, Esq. Private Secretary	988	2	11
115	Donald Nicholson being his quarterly allowance.	5	0	0		being for disbursements on various public roads, pursuant to resolution of Council of August 2d 1825.			
116	Mrs. Sarah Stewart being her quarterly annuity.	5	0	0	142	William Johnston, Esq. Attorney Gen.	20	0	0
117	G R Goodman, assayer being his half year's salary.	10	0	0		being an allowance for public services.			
118	J E Carmichael C C being his account of fees on the issue of Warrants from No 23 to No 112.	33	15	0	143	Lemuel Cambridge, Esq. High Sheriff	45	17	11
119	James Breading, school master being his quarter's Salary.	6	5	0		being on account of work done in the Court House.			
120	Clear Lallow, market clerk being his quarterly account.	7	15	0	144	Samuel Dawson	3	6	8
121	Robert Muirhead being his contract for cutting out windfalls on the Bedeque Road.	3	0	0		being for cutting out windfalls on the Tryon Road.			
122	Adj. Sinclair being for Services in the 1st Batt. of Militia.	6	1	1	145	Richard Bagnall	9	9	6
123	William Curtis being for a Government Survey on the north Road.	69	2	6		being for work done on the Prince-Town Road.			
124	James Douglas Haszard being for Government printing.	13	16	3	146	The Hon. A. Lane	7	11	7
125	James Bagnall, King's printer being for Government printing.	63	7	8		being for copies of Chancery Papers.			
126	William Pope, late sheriff being for his services as such.	20	0	0	147	William Curtis	41	19	4
127	J L Hurdis Esq. being on account of the fencing of Fanning Bank.	90	0	0		being for government survey, plans, &c.			
128	John Rider being his half-year's salary as Crier of the Supreme Court, Messenger to his Majesty's Council, &c.	20	0	0	148	J. E. Carmichael, Esq. C. C.	8	0	0
129	Fade Goff, Esq. Clerk of the Crown and Coroner being the amount of his accounts as such.	45	11	1		being the annual allowance for stationery to the 1st September 1825.			
130	Angus McDonald being the amount of his contract for Cow River bridge.	8	0	0	149	J F Holland, Esq Adj. Gen. Militia	25	0	0
131	Benjamin Farrow being his contract on the Tryon River road.	54	10	0		being the amount allowed him for annual inspection of Militia.			
132	Robert Bishop being his contract on the Tryon River road.	22	10	0	150	J E Carmichael, Esq. Colonial Sec'y.	18	14	9
133	Messrs. Wright & Rider being their contract for building a wharf and placing the Fish-Market thereon.	40	10	0		being his quarterly account, together with the Lieut. Governor's fees to 30th ult.			
134	Humphry Minchin being his contract for loading and repairing the Hard.	22	0	0	151	J E Carmichael, Esq Clerk of Council	13	17	6
135	William Townshend, Esq being his bill for various public surveys.	56	12	1		being his fees on the issue of Warrants from No. 113 to 149.			
136	J B. Burke being his contract for Dry bridge, and Seal River bridges.	25	0	0	152	J R Burke	21	0	0
137	John Weeks being his contract for work done on the Tryon River bridges.	11	10	0		being the amount of his contract for cutting out Windfalls.			
138	William Johnston, Esq. Attorney Gen. being the amount of his taxed bill of costs for various services.	51	18	10	153	James Pollard, Cooler	10	0	0
139	Messrs. Haviland, Cambridge, & Hodgson, being the costs of engraving plates and printing Treasury Warrants.	28	19	8		being his quarter's salary to 30th ult.			
140	George Coles being the amount of his agreement for cutting out windfalls on the Rustico road.	3	0	0	154	Mrs. Sarah Stewart	5	0	0
						being her quarterly annuity.			
					155	Donald Nicholson	5	0	0
						being his quarterly allowance.			
					156	James Breading, School Master	6	5	0
						being his quarter's salary.			
					157	Clear Lallow, Market Clerk	7	16	6
						being his quarter's salary and contingencies.			
					158	John Rider, Messenger to His Majesty's Council, Tip Staff in Chancery, &c.	10	0	0
						being his quarterly salary to 30th ult.			
					159	Fade Goff, Esq. Coroner	2	10	0
						being the expences of an Inquest on the body of Patrick Arnold.			
					160	Thomas Mac Grath	10	0	0
						being the amount of his contract at Morrell bridge.			
					161	Lemuel Cambridge, High Sheriff	20	19	1
						being Jurors' fees on 4 Writs of Exent.			
					162	Messrs. Shore & Doolan	5	0	0
						being the balance due them for repairing and deepening the well in the rear of the Court House.			
					163	James Stewart	5	0	0
						being for Survey of different roads.			
					164	J L Hurdis, Esq. Private Sec'y.	10	0	0
						being the balance for fencing Fanning Bank.			
					165	James Douglas Haszard	7	18	9
						being for Government Printing.			
					166	James Bagnall, King's Printer	14	5	0
						being his account for Government Printing.			

J. E. CARMICHAEL, C. C.