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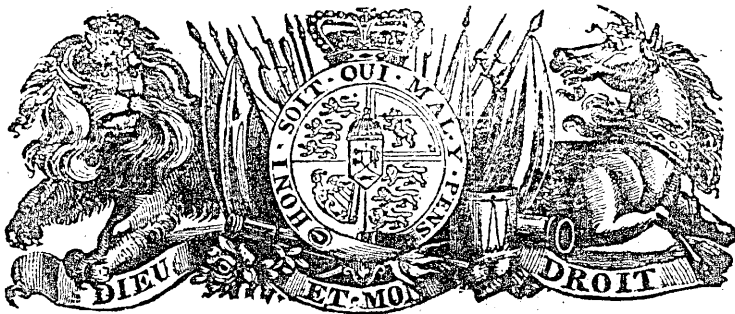
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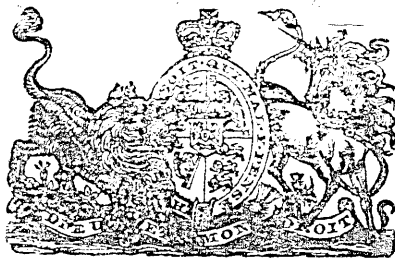
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CHARLOTTE-TOWN:

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BY HIS EXCELLENCY
Colonel JOHN READY,

J. READY,
Lt. Governor.

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.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by the demise of His Majesty, our late Sovereign Lord George the Fourth, of blessed and glorious memory, the Imperial Crown and Sovereignty of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and all other his late Majesty's Dominions, have descended to His Royal Majesty King William the Fourth, who hath been proclaimed rightful King thereof: And Whereas it is expedient and necessary that the General Assembly of this Island, which now stands prorogued until Wednesday the First day of September next, should be dissolved, I do declare that the same is dissolved:

And I do hereby give notice as well to the Members of the Legislative Council of this Island, as to the several Members of the Counties and Towns and Royalities within the same, that they are discharged from further attendance in the said General Assembly.

And I do further declare that I have this day given orders that Writs for calling a new General Assembly be issued in due form, the said Writs to bear teste on Wednesday the First day of September next, and be returnable on Wednesday the Tenth day of November next.

Given under my hand, and the Seal of the said Island, at Charlotte-Town, this Thirtieth day of August, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty, and in the First year of His Majesty's reign.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,

J. P. COLLINS, Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY
Colonel JOHN READY,

J. READY,
Lt. Governor.

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.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by my Proclamation bearing date the Thirtieth day of August last, the Writs for the Election of Members to serve in General Assembly are ordered to be made returnable on Wednesday the Tenth day of November next: And Whereas the approaching Session of the Supreme Court renders it advisable that the period of the return of one of the said Writs should be enlarged: Now, I hereby order, that the return day of the Writ for the Election of Members to represent the County

of Prince County be made returnable on Saturday the Twentieth day of November next, instead of Wednesday the Tenth day of the same month—of which all persons are to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my hand, and the Seal of the said Island, at Charlotte-Town, this Fourth day of September, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty, and in the First year of His Majesty's Reign.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,

J. P. COLLINS, *Colonial Secretary.*

GOD SAVE THE KING.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY
Colonel JOHN READY,

J. READY,
Lt. Governor.

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.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the Writs for Electing Members to serve in General Assembly for the several Counties and Townships in this Island, are returnable on Saturday the 20th day of November instant:

I have thought fit to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued, until Monday the Third day of January, 1831—of which all persons concerned are required to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my hand, and the Seal of the said Island, at Charlotte-Town, this Nineteenth day of November, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty, and in the First year of His Majesty's Reign.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,

J. P. COLLINS, *Colonial Secretary.*

GOD SAVE THE KING.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY
Colonel JOHN READY,

J. READY,
Lt. Governor.

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.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Island stands prorogued until Monday the Third day of January instant:

I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued until Thursday the Third day of February next, then to meet at Charlotte-Town, FOR THE DISPATCH OF PUBLIC BUSINESS—of which all persons concerned are required to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my hand, and the Seal of the said Island, at Charlotte-Town, this First day of January, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-one, and in the First year of His Majesty's reign.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,

J. P. COLLINS, *Colonial Secretary.*

GOD SAVE THE KING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,

THURSDAY February 3, 1831.

Pursuant to the foregoing Proclamation, His Majesty's Council met.

PRESENT:

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
Honorables { *George Wright*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *T. H. Haviland*,
 { *Charles Worrell*,
 { *The Attorney General*.

HIS Excellency the Lieutenant Governor having come to the Council Chamber, and being seated, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod received His Excellency's commands to inform the House of Assembly, that "It is His Excellency's pleasure that they do attend him in the Council Chamber instanter;"—and the Members present having appeared at the Bar, the President of His Majesty's Council addressed them as follows:

"Gentlemen,

"I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to acquaint you, that His Excellency does not intend to declare the cause of calling this General Assembly, until there be a Speaker of the House of Assembly; and therefore, you, Gentlemen of the House of Assembly, are to repair to the place where the House of Assembly usually meet, and there to proceed to the Election of a fit person to be your Speaker, whom you are to present to His Excellency here, immediately for his approval."

The Gentlemen of the House of Assembly then withdrew, and in a short time, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, received His Excellency's commands to deliver this Message to the House of Assembly:—

"His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor commands the immediate attendance of the House of Assembly in the Council Chamber."

The House accordingly attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber; when Ewen Cameron Esq. addressed His Excellency, and stated that agreeably to His Excellency's commands, the House of Assembly had proceeded to the election of a Speaker, and that their choice had fallen upon him.

The President of His Majesty's Council then spoke as follows:

"EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

"I am commanded by his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to acquaint you, that he hath so good an opinion of your integrity, diligence and sufficiency for executing the important office into which you are elected, that his Excellency is perfectly satisfied with the choice which the House of Assembly have made, and doth allow and confirm you to be their Speaker."

The Speaker then addressed His Excellency as follows:

"*May it please your Excellency:*

"As you have been pleased to approve of the choice of the House of Assembly in appointing me to be their Speaker, it now becomes my duty as such, to request of your Excellency, as the privilege of the House, that

the Members thereof during the Session may be freed from molestation—that they may have freedom of speech in their debates—have the power of punishing their own members—and have free access to your Excellency on all occasions; and I do also, in their name and behalf, beg leave to claim all their ancient rights and privileges.”

Then the President of His Majesty's Council replied as follows:

“*Mr. Speaker,*

“I am commanded by his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to say, that his Excellency, being fully assured of the prudence, loyalty, and good affection of the House of Assembly, does most willingly grant to them all their privileges, in as full a manner as they have been at any time granted by his Excellency or any former Governor of this Island.”

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

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

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

“WITH feelings of deep sorrow I announce to you the demise of our late lamented Sovereign King George the Fourth, by which the Crown has devolved on His Most Gracious Majesty King William the Fourth.

“The late Provincial Parliament was, in consequence, dissolved, and I lost no time in directing Writs to be issued for the election of a new Assembly, and I feel much satisfaction in now meeting you in your legislative capacity.

“It affords me heartfelt pleasure to be enabled to congratulate you on the abundance of the late harvest, and on that spirit of improvement which evidently appears dawning on the Agriculture of the Colony—a branch of industry in all ages considered the main source of wealth and individual happiness.

“I feel equal satisfaction in being also enabled to congratulate you on a material increase in the Revenue over the receipts of last year.

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

“The Public Accounts will be laid before you; and I rely on your good feeling and judgment in making such provision for the current year as the Public Service may require.

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

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

“Persuaded by experience that when a spirit of cordiality is preserved between the several Branches of the Legislature, the true interests of the Colony are best promoted—I recommend to you a cultivation and continuance of the harmony which pervaded the last Session of the General Assembly; and I have no doubt the result of your united deliberations will prove beneficial to the country.” (Signed) J. READY.”

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

Resolved, *nem. con.* that an humble address be presented to his Excellency, to return his Excellency the thanks of this House for his Speech delivered this day:

When the Honorables *T. H. Haviland* and *The Attorney General* were appointed a Committee to prepare a draft, pursuant to the above resolution.

On motion, ordered, that The Honorables *A. Lane* and *T. H. Haviland* be appointed a Committee to revise the Journals of this House, each day.

On motion, ordered, that The Honorables *George Wright* and *Charles Worrall* be appointed a Committee to examine into and report upon such Laws as are near expiring.

On motion, ordered, that The Rev. L. C. Jenkins be appointed Chaplain, and that he be requested to attend His Majesty's Council to-morrow at 12 o'clock, and each succeeding day during the Session, for the purpose of reading Prayers.

His Excellency the Lieut. Governor requiring the personal attendance of J. P. Collins, Esq. the Clerk of the Council, during the Session, Mr. John Ogle Nantes was appointed to act as Clerk, and having taken the Oath of Allegiance, and also the Oath of Office, took his Seat accordingly. Adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, February 4, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

Honorables { *George Wright,*
Ambrose Lane,
T. H. Haviland,
Charles Worrell,
The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

The Hon. *T. H. Haviland*, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in reply to his Excellency's Speech, reported, that they had prepared a draft of the same, which 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."

"The humble Address of His Majesty's Council.

"*May it please your Excellency:*

"We His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Members of His Majesty's Council, in our legislative capacity assembled, beg to thank your Excellency for your Speech at the opening of the present Session:

"The demise of our late revered Monarch King George the Fourth, of blessed memory, filled all classes of his dutiful and loyal Subjects in this distant portion of his dominions with sentiments of the deepest regret; but whilst we deplored the loss which the nation at large had sustained, we hailed with happy auspices the accession of His Most Gracious Majesty King William the Fourth, towards whom early associations have engendered, in these his transatlantic dominions, the most lively feelings of reverence and affection.

"The late abundant harvest, with which it has pleased an all-bounteous Providence to bless the land, calls forth feelings of deep gratitude to the Giver of all good for this beneficent mark of divine favour.

"The spirit for improvement, which seems every where to pervade this truly agricultural Colony, cannot fail to prove a source of great gratification to all who are interested in its prosperity, and especially to your Excellency, whose personal efforts have so mainly contributed to that praiseworthy emulation by which the farmer is at present actuated; and we trust, that at no distant period, the result will raise the Colony to that degree of independence, for which, by its situation and capabilities, it is so eminently qualified.

“We learn, with great satisfaction, that the Revenue has materially increased, as it affords a solid proof that the resources of the Colony are in an evident state of improvement.

“Equally convinced with your Excellency that a cordial co-operation in our public labours, between the several Branches of the Legislature, is essentially necessary to the true interests of the Colony—we beg to assure you that our utmost efforts shall be directed to this desirable end; and with every confidence that a corresponding disposition exists in the other Branch of the Legislature, we have little doubt that our united endeavours to promote the welfare of the Colony will prove productive of beneficial effects.”

Which Address being read by the Clerk was agreed to by the House, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion, it was ordered, that the said Address be presented to his Excellency by the whole House.

On motion, it was ordered, that a Committee consisting of the Honorables *T. H. Haviland* and *The Attorney General* do wait upon his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to know at what time his Excellency would be pleased to receive the Address of this House.

The Hon. *T. H. Haviland* called the attention of the House to the mode pursued in carrying messages from the Lower House of Assembly; and moved, that in future, instead of all the Members of this House rising on the receipt of a message by a Member of the Lower House, that the President alone shall rise, and when the Messenger shall have delivered his message, that the President do go down to the Bar and receive it; as being more conformable to Parliamentary usage.

The Attorney General having called for a division, the House divided as follows:

Contents.

The Hon. *Chief Justice,*
Ambrose Lane,
T. H. Haviland,
Charles Worrell.

Non-contents.

The Hon. *George Wright,*
The Attorney General.

And so it passed in the affirmative.

A message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Brecken, viz.

“*Mr. President,*

“The House of Assembly are desirous of a conference with His Majesty’s Council, on the subject of appointing Commissioners to report on the present state of the Statute Book, with a view to printing a new edition thereof; and have appointed Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Pope*, and Mr. *Brecken*, a Committee to manage the said conference.

On motion, it was ordered, that the said conference be agreed to, and that the Hon. *T. H. Haviland* and *The Attorney General*, be appointed a Committee to meet the Committee of the House of Assembly, in the Committee-Room, to-morrow at 12 o’clock,—and that a Messenger be sent down to the House of Assembly, to acquaint them therewith.

The Committee appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to know at what time his Excellency would be pleased to receive the Address of this House,—reported, that they had waited upon his Excellency accordingly, and that his Excellency had appointed 2 o’clock to-morrow, to receive the same.

Adjourned until 1 o’clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, February 5, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 Honorables { *George Wright*,
 Ambrose Lane,
 T. H. Haviland,
 Charles Worrell,
 The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

The Hon. *T. H. Haviland*, from the Committee appointed to confer with the Committee of the House of Assembly, on the subject of appointing Commissioners to report on the present state of the Statute Book, with a view to printing a new edition thereof—reported the substance of the conference; when it was ordered, that a further conference be requested with the House of Assembly on the subject matter of the last conference, and that the same Committee who managed the said conference do manage this conference, to meet in the Committee-Room, on Monday, at 12 o'clock.

The Council having waited upon his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address of this House, and being returned, the President reported, that his Excellency was pleased to return the following answer:

“Gentlemen,

“Permit me to return you my best acknowledgments for this Address. The assurance of a cordial cooperation with the other Branch of the Legislature in your public labours, is very gratifying to me, and I have every expectation that your united efforts will prove highly beneficial to the best interests of the Colony.”

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

“*Mr. President*,

“The House of Assembly do agree to a further conference with His Majesty’s Council, on Monday next, on the subject matter of the last conference; and have appointed Mr. Owen, Mr. Pope, Mr. Brecken and Mr. Binns a Committee to manage the same.”

Adjourned until 12 o'clock on Monday.

MONDAY, February 7, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 Honorables { *Ambrose Lane*,
 T. H. Haviland,
 Charles Worrell,
 The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of Saturday.

The Hon. *T. H. Haviland*, from the Committee appointed to con-

fer with the Committee of the House of Assembly, on the subject of appointing Commissioners to report on the present state of the Statute Book, with a view to printing a new edition thereof—reported the substance of the conference.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Brecken—

With a Bill intituled “An Act to continue an Act intituled an Act to establish an Assize of Bread, within the Town and Royalty of Charlotte-Town,—and an Act intituled An Act to regulate the driving of “Carts, Carriages, Sleighs, and Carioles, on the Highways;”—and praying the concurrence of His Majesty’s Council thereto.

On motion, the said Bill received a first reading.

Adjourned until 12 o’clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, February 8, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *T. H. Haviland*,
 { *Charles Worrell*,
 { *The Attorney General*.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

Adjourned until 12 o’clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, February 9, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *T. H. Haviland*,
 { *The Attorney General*.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

The *Chief Justice*, from the joint Committee of both Houses, appointed to correspond with the Colony Agent, produced the correspondence had, subsequent to the last Session of the General Assembly—which was ordered to lie on the Table.

On motion, the Bill intituled “An Act to continue an Act intituled “an Act to establish an Assize of Bread, within the Town and Royalty of Charlotte-Town; and an Act intituled an Act to regulate the driving “Carts, Carriages, Sleighs, and Carioles, on the Highways;”—was read a second time.

Adjourned until 12 o’clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, February 10, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables { *George Wright,*
Ambrose Lane,
T. H. Haviland,
Charles Worrell,
The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to continue an Act intituled "an Act to establish an Assize of Bread within the Town and Royalty of "Charlotte-Town,—and an Act intituled An Act to regulate the driving "Carts, Carriages, Sleighs, and Carioles on the Highways," was read a third time and passed—and a Message ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly, to acquaint them therewith.

The Honorable *Charles Worrell* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the maintenance of Bastard Children.

Leave was accordingly granted, and, on motion, the said Bill received a first reading.

Adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, February 11, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables { *George Wright,*
Ambrose Lane,
T. H. Haviland,
Charles Worrell,
The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Brecken:

"In the House of Assembly, Feb. 10th, 1831.

"Ordered, that a Message be sent to His Majesty's Council, praying they will permit the Honorable *George Wright*, one of their Members, to attend the Committee of this House on Privileges and Elections to-morrow, to be examined with reference to the late Election and Return for Queen's County."

On motion, the question was put, and leave was granted accordingly.

Resolved, that an humble Address of Condolence be presented to His Majesty, upon the lamented death of his late Majesty of blessed memory, and congratulating His Majesty upon his Accession to the Throne of his Ancestors—and that the House of Assembly be requested to join in the said Address.

On motion, it was ordered, that the Honorables *A. Lane*, *T. H. Haviland*, and *The Attorney General* be a Committee on the part of this House to prepare the said Address.

Adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, February 12, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 Ambrose Lane,
 T. H. Haviland,
 Charles Worrell.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

At half-past two o'clock, His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor having come down to the Council Chamber—

The Usher of the Black Rod received his Excellency's commands to require the immediate attendance of the House of Assembly:

The House of Assembly having attended accordingly, *William Cullen*, Esq. their Clerk, informed his Excellency that the House of Assembly was without a Speaker—the seat of *Ewen Cameron*, Esquire, their late Speaker, having been declared vacant;

Whereupon the President of His Majesty's Council, by his Excellency's command, directed the House of Assembly to repair to the place where they usually meet, and there proceed to the Election of a fit person to be their Speaker, in the room of *Ewen Cameron*, Esquire, their late Speaker.

The House of Assembly then withdrew, and, in a short time, the Usher of the Black Rod received his Excellency's commands to require the immediate attendance of the House of Assembly:

The House accordingly attended his Excellency in the Council Chamber, when *William M'Neill*, Esquire, addressed his Excellency, and said—

“*May it please your Excellency:*

“The House of Assembly, in pursuance of the leave granted by your Excellency, and in the exercise of an undoubted right, have elected a Speaker, and now present me as the person chosen, and pray your Excellency's approbation of their choice.”

The President of His Majesty's Council, after conferring with his Excellency, then spoke as follows:

“*William M'Neill*, Esq.

“I am commanded by his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to acquaint you that he hath so good an opinion of your integrity, diligence, and sufficiency for executing the important office into which you are elected, that His Excellency is perfectly satisfied with the choice which the House of Assembly have made, and doth allow and confirm you to be their Speaker.”

The House of Assembly having withdrawn, His Excellency was pleased to retire.

Adjourned until 12 o'clock on Monday next.

MONDAY, February 14, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 Ambrose Lane,
 T. H. Haviland,
 The Attorney General.

READ the proceedings of Saturday.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by J. P. Collins, Esq.—

“J. READY, Lt. Governor.

“His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor is desirous that His Majesty’s Legislative Council, at its rising to-day, should adjourn until Wednesday the sixth of April next.

“Feb. 14th, 1831.”

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Binns, viz.

“House of Assembly, Monday, Feb. 14, 1831.

“Ordered, that Mr. Binns do carry the following Message to His Majesty’s Council:—

“Mr. President,

“I am commanded by the House of Assembly to acquaint you that they do concur with His Majesty’s Council, in presenting an humble Address of condolence to His Majesty, upon the lamented death of His late Majesty, and congratulating His Majesty upon His accession to the throne; and that they have appointed Mr. Owen, Mr. Binns, Mr. Cody, Mr. Brecken, and Mr. Pope, a committee on the part of the House of Assembly to prepare the said Joint Address.”

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

“House of Assembly, Monday, Feb. 14th, 1831.

“Resolved, that a Standing Committee of five Members and the Speaker (three to be a quorum), be appointed on the part of this House, to correspond with the Colony Agent, in conjunction with a committee of His Majesty’s Council.

“Ordered, that Mr. Speaker, Mr. Owen, Mr. Binns, Mr. Brecken, and Mr. Green be a committee for that purpose.

Ordered, that Mr. Owen do carry a copy of the foregoing Resolution and Order to His Majesty’s Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.”

On motion, it was ordered, that the Honorable *The Chief Justice* and the Honorable *T. H. Haviland* be a Committee on the part of His Majesty’s Council, to cooperate with the committee appointed by the House of Assembly to correspond with the Colony Agent.

On motion, it was ordered, that a copy of the foregoing Order be sent down to the House of Assembly.

Adjourned until next Wednesday the sixth day of April next.

WEDNESDAY, April 6, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables { *George Wright,*
Ambrose Lane,
T. H. Haviland,
Charles Worrell,
The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of February 14th.

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

“House of Assembly, April 6th, 1831.

“*Mr. President,*

“The House of Assembly are desirous of a conference with His Majesty's Council, on the Public Accounts,—and have appointed Mr. Brecken, Mr. Owen, Mr. Binns, and Mr. H. M'Donald a committee to manage the said conference.”

On motion, it was ordered, that the conference requested as above be agreed to; and that the Honorables *George Wright* and *Ambrose Lane* be a committee to manage the same, to meet the committee appointed by the House of Assembly in the Committee-Room to-morrow at 1 o'clock.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, April 7, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *T. H. Haviland*,
 { *Charles Worrell*,
 { *The Attorney General*.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Brecken:—Praying the concurrence of His Majesty's Council to a Bill intituled “An Act to repeal an Act intituled an Act for the preservation of Sheep, within the Royalty of Charlotte-Town, by imposing a Tax on Dogs.”

On motion, the said Bill received a first-reading.

The Honorable *George Wright*, from the committee appointed to meet the committee of the House of Assembly upon the Public Accounts—reported, that they had inspected the same, and after a careful investigation, had found them to be correct.

On motion, the Bill intituled “An Act to provide for the maintenance of Bastard Children,” was read a second time.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, April 8, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *T. H. Haviland*,
 { *Charles Worrell*,
 { *The Attorney General*.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act intituled an Act for the preservation of Sheep within the Royalty of Charlotte-Town, by imposing a Tax on Dogs,"—was read a second time.

The Honorable *T. H. Haviland* moved for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the set-off Mutual Debts; and to repeal an Act intituled "An Act to prevent the multiplicity of Law Suits."

Leave being granted,

On motion, the said Bill received the first reading.

On motion, the said Bill was read a second time, and ordered to be committed to-morrow.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act intituled an Act for the preservation of Sheep within the Royalty of Charlotte-Town, by imposing a Tax on Dogs," was read a third time and passed; and a Message ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly to acquaint them therewith.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, April 9, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables { *Ambrose Lane,*
Charles Worrell.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

There not being a quorum of Members present at half-past three o'clock—

Adjourned until 1 o'clock on Monday.

MONDAY, April 11, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables { *George Wright,*
Ambrose Lane,
T. H. Haviland,
Charles Worrell,
The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of Saturday.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Bill to regulate the sett-off of mutual Debts, and to repeal an Act intituled "An Act to prevent the multiplicity of Law Suits,"—which was The Order of the Day for Saturday last—and after some time spent therein, the President reported, that the Committee

had agreed to the same, with an amendment in the Title, which now stood as follows: A bill to be intituled "*An Act to discourage Litigation by regulating the set-off of mutual Debts in Action at Law.*"

On motion, ordered, that the report of the Committee be agreed to, and that the said Bill be engrossed.

On motion, the Bill to be intituled "*An Act to discourage Litigation by regulating the set-off mutual Debts in actions at Law,*"—as engrossed, was read a third time and passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly for their concurrence.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, April 12, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 Honorables { *George Wright,*
 T. H. Haviland,
 Charles Worrell,
 The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.
 Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, April 13, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright,*
 T. H. Haviland,
 Charles Worrell.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.
 Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, April 14, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright,*
 Ambrose Lane,
 T. H. Haviland,
 Charles Worrell,
 The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.
 A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Cameron:—

praying the concurrence of His Majesty's Council, to a Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Reward for the destruction of Bears and Loupcerviers:" also, with the following Resolution, viz.

"In the House of Assembly, April 13th, 1831.

"RESOLVED, That JOHN BAINBRIDGE, Esq. of London, be continued Colony Agent for this Island—that gentleman having, in the discharge of his office, uniformly evinced a due regard to our interests.

"Ordered, that Mr. *Cameron* do carry a copy of the foregoing Resolution to His Majesty's Council, and desire there concurrence therein."

On motion, Resolved, that this House, impressed with a due sense of the services rendered this Colony by JOHN BAINBRIDGE, Esq. as Colony Agent thereof, doth concur with the Resolution passed by the House of Assembly, continuing him in his appointment as such Agent, and that a Message be sent down to the House of Assembly, acquainting them therewith.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Reward for the destruction of Bears and Loupcerviers"—was read a first and second time.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Owen, with the following Bills, and praying the concurrence of His Majesty's Council thereto, viz.

A Bill intituled "An Act for the further regulation of Statute Labour, and to amend and continue two certain Acts therein mentioned."

And a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize Justices of the Peace to enforce the attendance of Witnesses, in certain cases."

On motion, the foregoing Bills received a first and second reading.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, April 15, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables { *Ambrose Lane,*
T. H. Haviland,
Charles Worrell,
The Attorney General.

—PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Reward for the destruction of Bears and Loupcerviers"—was read a third time and passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

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

Praying the concurrence of his Majesty's Council to a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Tenth year of the reign of the late King George the Fourth, intituled an Act for the appointment of Limits and Rules for the Jail of Charlotte-Town—and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

On motion, the said bill was read a first time.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize Justices of the Peace to enforce the attendance of Witnesses in certain cases"—was read a third time and passed, with an amendment, which was ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly, for their concurrence.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, April 16, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President ;
 The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 { *T. H. Haviland*,
 { *Charles Worrell*,
 { *The Attorney General*.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an act made and passed in the Tenth year of the reign of the late King George the Fourth, intituled an act for the appointment of Limits and Rules for the Jail of Charlotte-Town—and to make other provisions in lieu thereof,"—was read a second time, and ordered to be committed on Monday next.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock on Monday.

MONDAY, April 18, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President ;
 The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *T. H. Haviland*,
 { *Charles Worrell*,
 { *The Attorney General*.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of Saturday.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Brecken—with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize Justices of the Peace to enforce the attendance of Witnesses in certain cases,"—as amended by his Majesty's Council, agreed to.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Binns—with the Bill intituled "*An Act to discourage Litigation, by regulating the set-off of mutual Debts in Actions at Law*"—agreed to, with amendments; and praying the concurrence of His Majesty's Council thereto.

On motion, the said Bill was read a first time, with the amendments.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Owen—praying the concurrence of His Majesty's Council to a Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the running at large of Rams at improper seasons—and to regulate the appointment of Sheep-Reeves—and to repeal two certain Acts therein mentioned."

On motion, the said Bill was read a first time.

In pursuance of the Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, upon the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Tenth year of the reign of the late King George the Fourth, intituled an Act for the appointment of Limits and Rules for the Jail of Charlotte-Town—and to make other provisions in lieu thereof"—and after some time spent therein, the President reported progress—which

Report was accepted; and it was thereupon ordered, that the said Bill be taken into further consideration on Wednesday next.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, April 19, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *Ambrose Lane,*
 { *T. H. Haviland,*
 { *Charles Worrell,*
 { *The Attorney General.*

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the running at large of Rams at improper seasons, and to regulate the appointment of Sheep Reeves—and to repeal two certain acts therein mentioned,"—was read a second time.

Adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, April 20, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright,*
 { *Ambrose Lane,*
 { *T. H. Haviland,*
 { *Charles Worrell,*
 { *The Attorney General.*

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

In pursuance of The Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, upon the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an act made and passed in the Tenth year of the reign of the late King George the Fourth, intituled an act for the appointment of Limits and Rules for the Jail of Charlotte-Town—and to make other provisions in lieu thereof,"—and after some time spent therein, the President reported that the Committee had agreed to the same, with amendments.

Ordered, that the Report of the Committee be accepted: whereupon the said Bill was read a third time, and passed, with the amendments, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly for their concurrence.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Brecken: with the following Resolution, viz.

"In the House of Assembly, April 19th, 1831.

"Resolved, that an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, setting forth the great and serious obstruction to the internal improvement of the Colony, occasioned by the suspension of the Royal Allowance to vari-

ous Acts of great public importance, passed by the General Assembly of this Island in the years 1829 and 1830, and now before His Majesty's Privy Council—which said Acts are intituled as followeth:

“An Act to enable Tenants in Tail to execute Leases, and grant terms of years of a long endurance.”

“An Act to regulate the laying out and altering of Highways, and to provide a mode of obtaining compensation for those who may thereby be injured, and to cause those who are benefitted thereby to contribute towards their formation.”

“An Act for the security of Navigation, and for preserving all Ships, Vessels, and Goods which may be found on Shore, wrecked or stranded upon the Coasts of this Island, and for punishing Persons who shall steal Shipwrecked Goods, and for the Relief of Persons suffering loss thereby.”

“An Act to confirm certain Marriages heretofore solemnized in this Island.”

“An Act to require Clergymen and others authorised to solemnize Marriages, to return Certificates thereof to the Surrogate of the Island, and to require Clergymen to keep a Record of Baptisms.”

“An Act to alter, amend and suspend certain parts of an Act made and passed in the Forty-seventh year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the forty-first year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an Act for the better Regulation of Elections, and to regulate Elections for Members to serve in General Assembly in future.”

“An Act to ascertain and establish the Boundary Lines of the several Counties and Townships of this Island—and to regulate the Duty of Surveyors.”

“An Act for raising a Fund, by an Assessment on Land, for erecting a Government House, and other Public Buildings, within this Island.”

and humbly praying that His Majesty will be graciously pleased to cause an early decision to be given thereon, in order, if approved of, that their operation may not be longer delayed—and that His Majesty's Council be requested by Message to concur in the said Address.

“Ordered, that Mr. Brecken, Mr. Binns, Mr. Dalrymple, Mr. Owen, and Mr. John S. Macdonald be a Committee on the part of this House, to prepare the said Address.”

On motion, the Bill intituled “An Act to prevent the running at large of Rams at improper seasons, and to regulate the appointment of Sheep-Reeves—and to repeal two certain acts therein mentioned,”---was read a third time and passed with amendments; and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly for their concurrence.

Adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, April 21, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. Chief Justice Jarvis, President;

The Honorables	{	George Wright,
		Ambrose Lane,
		T. H. Haviland,
		Charles Worrell,
		The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Owen:—praying the concurrence of His Majesty's Council to the two following Bills, viz.

A Bill intituled “An Act for the recovery of Small Debts, and to continue and amend the several acts therein mentioned.”

And a Bill intituled “An Act to amend an act made and passed in the Eleventh year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled an act for granting Licences to Tavern or Innkeepers and Storekeepers---and to suspend the operation of the acts therein mentioned, and to suspend part of an act pas-

sed in the Thirty-fifth year of the reign of King George the Third, intituled An Act for regulating Servants."

On motion, the said Bills were read a first and second time.

On motion, the bill intituled "An Act for the further regulation of Statute Labour, and to amend and continue two certain Acts therein mentioned,"—was read a third time and passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, the amendments made by the House of Assembly to the Bill intituled "*An Act to discourage Litigation, by regulating the set-off of mutual Debts in actions at Law,*"—were read a second and third time, and agreed to, and the said Bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, April 22, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *Ambrose Lane,*
 { *T. H. Haviland,*
 { *Charles Worrell,*
 { *The Attorney General.*

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the Bill intituled "*An Act to discourage Litigation, by regulating the set-off of mutual Debts in Actions at Law*"—as engrossed with amendments, was read and passed; and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an act made and passed in the Eleventh year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled an act for granting Licences to Tavern or Innkeepers and Storekeepers---and to suspend the operation of the acts therein mentioned, and to suspend part of an act passed in the Thirty-fifth year of the reign of King George the Third, intituled an act for regulating Servants,"---was read a third time and passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

The Hon. *Charles Worrell* obtained leave of absence until Monday.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, April 23, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright,*
 { *Ambrose Lane,*
 { *T. H. Haviland,*
 { *The Attorney General.*

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act for the recovery of Small

Debts, and to continue and amend the several acts therein mentioned,"—was read a third time.

On motion, that the said Bill do pass, the question was put, and it was carried in the affirmative; and a Message ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly, to acquaint them therewith.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock on Monday.

MONDAY, April 25, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *T. H. Haviland*,
 { *The Attorney General*.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of Saturday.
 Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, April 26, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *T. H. Haviland*,
 { *The Attorney General*.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, His Majesty's Council took into consideration the Message from the House of Assembly, requesting their concurrence in an Address to His Majesty "upon the great and serious obstruction to the internal improvement of the Colony, occasioned by the suspension of the Royal Allowance to various Acts of great public importance, passed by the General Assembly of this Island in the years 1829 and 1830, and now before His Majesty's Privy Council."

And it was ordered, that a Conference be requested with the House of Assembly thereon; and that the Honorables *George Wright* and *T. H. Haviland* be a Committee to manage the same, to meet the Committee of the House of Assembly in the Committee Room instanter.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Brecken:—
 Praying the concurrence of His Majesty's Council to a Bill intituled "An Act to amend an act made and passed in the Tenth year of his late Majesty, intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the Eighth year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the Sixth year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to revive, alter and continue an act made and passed in the

Fifty-second year 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 was read a first time.

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

“In the House of Assembly, April 26th, 1831.

“Mr. President,

“The House of Assembly do agree to the Conference, as requested by His Majesty’s Council, on the subject-matter of the Message of this House; and have appointed Mr. Brecken, Mr. Binns, Mr. Dalrymple, Mr. Owen, and Mr. John S. Macdonald to be a committee to manage the said Conference.”

Whereupon the Committee of this House, (having been instructed to suggest the propriety of addressing His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor instead of His Majesty, and requesting His Excellency to use his influence in the proper quarter to obtain decisions upon the several Acts now before His Majesty’s Privy Council, in which Address the Council will willingly join) went to the Conference, and being returned, reported the substance thereof.

Adjourned until 1 o’clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, April 27, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables	{	<i>George Wright,</i>
		<i>Ambrose Lane,</i>
		<i>T. H. Haviland,</i>
		<i>Charles Worrell,</i>
		<i>The Attorney General.</i>

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Brecken, viz.

“Mr. President,

“The House of Assembly are desirous of a further Conference with His Majesty’s Council on the subject-matter of the last Conference—and have appointed the same Committee to be the Managers thereof.

“House of Assembly, April 26th, 1831.”

On motion, a Message was ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly, agreeing to a further Conference, as requested by them, on the subject-matter of the last Conference; and that the same Committee who managed the last Conference do manage this; to meet in the Committee Room instanter.

Whereupon the Committee went to the Conference; and being returned, reported, that the House of Assembly had agreed to the suggestion of His Majesty’s Council, on the propriety of addressing His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, instead of His Majesty; and requesting him to use his influence in the proper quarter to obtain decisions upon the several Acts now before His Majesty’s Privy Council—and that they had also appointed the same Committee to join the Committee of this House in drafting the said Address.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an act made and passed in the Tenth year of his late Majesty, intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the Eighth year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the Sixth year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to revive, alter and continue an act made and passed in the Fifty-second year 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,"—was read a second time.

On motion, the said Bill was read a third time.

On motion, that the said Bill do pass, the question was put, and it was carried in the affirmative, and so the Bill passed, and was ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, the following Message was ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

Mr. Speaker,

His Majesty's Council have appointed the Honorables *George Wright* and *T. H. Haviland* a Committee to join the Committee of the House of Assembly in preparing an Address to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying him to use his influence in the proper quarter to obtain decisions upon the several Acts transmitted for the Royal Allowance thereto.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, April 28, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables { *Ambrose Lane*,
T. H. Haviland,
Charles Worrell,
The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.
 Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, April 29, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables { *George Wright*,
Charles Worrell.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.
 Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, April 30, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables { *George Wright,*
Ambrose Lane,
T. H. Haviland,
Charles Worrell,
The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Cameron—with the Bill intituled “An Act to prevent the running at large of Rams at improper seasons, and to regulate the appointment of Sheep Reeves—and to suspend two certain acts therein mentioned,”—as amended by His Majesty’s Council, agreed to:

Also, the Bill intituled “An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Tenth year of the reign of the late King George the Fourth, intituled an act for the appointment of Limits and Rules for the Jail of Charlotte-Town—and to make other provisions in lieu thereof”—as amended by His Majesty’s Council, agreed to:

Also, with a Bill intituled “An Act to prevent the improper burning of Woods, and to repeal an act intituled ‘An act to provide a remedy for injuries arising from improper burning of Woods,’”—and praying the concurrence of His Majesty’s Council thereto.

On motion, the said bill was read a first and second time.

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

Praying the concurrence of his Majesty’s Council to the following Bills, viz.

A Bill intituled “An Act to continue an act made and passed in the Eleventh year of the late King, intituled an act to continue and amend an Act made and passed in the Tenth year of the present King, imposing a Duty on Wines, Gin, Brandy, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors:”

And a Bill intituled “An Act to continue an act made and passed in the Eleventh year of the late King, intituled an act to continue an act imposing a Duty of Impost on Tobacco and Tea.”

On motion, the said Bills were read a first and second time.

Adjourned until 1 o’clock on Monday.

MONDAY, May 2, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables { *George Wright,*
Ambrose Lane,
T. H. Haviland,
Charles Worrell,
The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of Saturday.

On motion, the Bill intituled “An Act to continue an act made and

passed in the Eleventh year of the late King, intituled an act to continue an act imposing a Duty of Impost on Tobacco and Tea,"—was read a third time and passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to continue an act made and passed in the Eleventh year of the late King, intituled an act to continue and amend an act made and passed in the Tenth year of the present King, imposing a Duty on Wines, Gin, Brandy, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors,"—was read a third time and passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, on the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the improper burning of Woods, and to repeal an act intituled an act to provide a remedy for injuries arising from improper burning of Woods;"—and after some time spent therein, the President reported that the Committee had agreed to the same, with amendments.

Ordered, that the Report of the Committee be accepted: whereupon the said Bill was read a third time, with the amendments, and passed, and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly for their concurrence.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, May 3, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *Ambrose Lane,*
 { *T. H. Haviland,*
 { *Charles Worrell,*
 { *The Attorney General.*

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

The Honorable *A. Lane* from the Committee appointed to join the Committee of the House of Assembly, to draft an Address of condolence to His Majesty, upon the lamented death of his late Majesty, of blessed memory; and congratulating His Majesty upon his accession to the Throne of his Ancestors—reported the draft of an Address, as agreed to by the joint Committees; which, upon motion, was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:

"TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

"The humble Address of His Majesty's Council and House of Representatives of Prince Edward Island, in their Legislative capacity assembled.

"*May it please your Majesty,*

"Official information having been communicated to us of the Demise of the Crown of these Realms, by the death of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, of blessed and glorious memory, we humbly beg leave to approach the Throne, to give expression to those feelings of regret, with which this melancholy intelligence filled all classes of His Majesty's subjects in this distant portion of His Dominions; and whilst we lament the loss which the nation at large has sustained by the death of a monarch whose efforts were unceasingly directed to promote the happiness of his people, we sincerely condole with your Majesty upon the inscrutable dispensation of Divine Providence, which has bereaved your Majesty of an affectionate and highly beloved Brother.

"That the Sceptre of the British Empire should continue to be swayed by a Member of that illustrious House, under whose auspices it has attained the highest rank among nations, cannot fail to prove a source of heartfelt satisfaction to all who may have the happiness to live under its benign and liberal Government.

"To your Majesty we turn with unlimited confidence; and from the early acquaintance formed by your Majesty with these your transatlantic possessions, whilst engaged in the service of that country which your Majesty is now called to govern, the happiest anticipations are cherished:

"We humbly beg leave to offer our congratulations upon the Accession of your Majesty to the Imperial Throne of your Ancestors.

"To the nation at large it cannot but afford the highest satisfaction, that your Majesty's Throne is shared by a Consort whose august presence throws a lustre around the Court which Her Majesty is so eminently qualified to adorn.

"That your Majesty's reign may be long, prosperous and happy, is the ardent desire of a people, who, although far removed from the Capital of the Empire, will not yield to any portion of your Majesty's widely extended Dominions, in unshaken loyalty and affection to your Majesty's Royal Person and Government."

On motion, the said Address was agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, May 4, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright,*
 Ambrose Lane,
 T. H. Haviland,
 The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Cameron, with the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an act made and passed in the Fifth year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled an Act to provide a Remedy for injuries arising from improper burning of Woods"—as amended by His Majesty's Council, agreed to:

Also, praying the concurrence of His Majesty's Council to a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the appointment of Commissioners, for erecting certain Public Works therein mentioned."

On motion, the said Bill was read a first time.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, May 5, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright,*
 Ambrose Lane,
 T. H. Haviland,
 Charles Worrell.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the appointment of Commissioners for erecting certain Public Works therein mentioned"—was read a second time.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, May 6, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *T. H. Haviland*,
 { *Charles Worrell*,
 { *The Attorney General*.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor having come to the Council Chamber, and being seated, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod received his Excellency's commands to desire the attendance of the House of Assembly in the Council Chamber instanter.

The House of Assembly having attended accordingly, his Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the following Bills, viz.

I. A Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an act made and passed in the Tenth year of the reign of the late King George the Fourth, intituled an act for the appointment of Limits and Rules for the Jail of Charlotte-Town—and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

II. A Bill intituled "An Act for the further regulation of Statute Labour, and to amend and continue two certain Acts therein mentioned."

III. A Bill intituled "An Act to continue an act made and passed in the Eleventh year of the late King, intituled an act to continue and amend an act made and passed in the Tenth year of the present King, imposing a Duty on Wines, Gin, Brandy, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors."

IV. A Bill intituled "An Act to continue an act made and passed in the Eleventh year of the late King, intituled an act to continue an act imposing a Duty of Impost on Tobacco and Tea."

His Excellency was then pleased to retire.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Brecken:—praying the concurrence of His Majesty's Council to the following Bills:

A Bill intituled "An Act to authorize a further issue of Treasury Notes."

A Bill intituled "An Act for Appropriating certain Monies therein mentioned, for the service of the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-one."

On motion, the said Bills were read a first time.

On motion, the said Bills were read a second time.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, on the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the maintenance of Bastard Children,"—and after some time spent therein, the President reported that the Committee were of opinion, that from the want of Courts of Quarter Sessions and Parish Officers in this Island, great difficulty existed in enforcing the penal provisions of this Bill—and that the Committee, in consequence thereof, had not agreed to the same.

On motion, ordered, that the Report of the Committee be accepted.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the appointment of Commissioners for erecting certain Public Works therein mentioned,"—was read a third time and passed, and a Message ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly, acquainting them therewith.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, May 7, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright,*
 { *Ambrose Lane,*
 { *T. H. Haviland,*
 { *Charles Worreil,*
 { *The Attorney General.*

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.
 Adjourned until 1 o'clock on Monday.

MONDAY, May 9, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *Ambrose Lane,*
 { *T. H. Haviland,*
 { *The Attorney General.*

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of Saturday.
 Adjourned until 7 o'clock, Post Meridien.

7 o'clock, P. M.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 The Honorables { *George Wright,*
 { *Ambrose Lane,*
 { *T. H. Haviland,*
 { *The Attorney General.*

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Owen—praying the concurrence of His Majesty's Council to a Bill intituled "An Act to alter an act made and passed in the Tenth year of the late King, for regulating the size of Barrels and the Inspection of Pickled Fish."

On motion, the said Bill received a first and second reading.

On motion, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize a further issue of Treasury Notes,"—was read a third time.

On motion, that the said Bill do pass, the question was put, and it was carried in the affirmative; and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

On motion, 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 Thirty-one,"—was read a third time.

On motion, that the said Bill do pass, the question was put, and it was carried in the affirmative; and ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly.

The Honorable *George Wright*, from the Committee appointed to meet a Committee of the House of Assembly, to prepare a draft of an Address to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying him to use his influence in the proper quarter to obtain decisions upon the several Acts now before His Majesty's Privy Council—reported the draft of an Address, which being read by the Clerk, was agreed to by the House, 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 therunto adjacent, Chancellor and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

WE his Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council and Assembly of Prince Edward Island, in Colonial Parliament assembled, respectfully beg leave to state to your Excellency, that various Acts, passed by the General Assembly in the years 1829 and 1830, were transmitted for his Majesty's Royal Allowance, and are now before his Majesty in Council; which said Acts are intitled as followeth:—

“An Act to enable Tenants in Tail to execute Leases, and grant terms of years of a long endurance:”

“An Act to regulate the laying out and altering of Highways, and to provide a mode of obtaining compensation for those who may thereby be injured, and to cause those who are benefited thereby to contribute towards their formation:”

“An Act for the security of Navigation, and for preserving all Ships, Vessels, and Goods which may be found on Shore wrecked or stranded upon the Coasts of this Island, and for punishing Persons who shall steal Shipwrecked Goods, and for the Relief of Persons suffering loss thereby:”

“An Act to confirm certain Marriages heretofore solemnized in this Island:”

“An Act to require Clergymen and others authorised to solemnize Marriages, to return Certificates thereof to the Surrogate of the Island, and to require Clergymen to keep a Record of Baptisms:”

“An Act to alter, amend and suspend certain parts of an Act made and passed in the Forty-seventh year of his late Majesty's reign, intitled An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the forty-first year of his present Majesty's reign, intitled an Act for the better Regulation of Elections, and to regulate Elections for Members to serve in General Assembly in future:”

“An Act to ascertain and establish the Boundary Lines of the several Counties and Townships of this Island—and to regulate the Duty of Surveyors:”

“An Act for raising a Fund, by an Assessment on Land, for erecting a Government House, and other Public Buildings, within this Island:”

And as very serious inconvenience is experienced from the uncertainty which prevails with reference to the said Acts—particularly as regards the Act providing for the laying out and altering of Highways—the Act for levying an Assessment on Land—the Act for ascertaining and fixing the Boundaries of the several Counties and Townships—and the Act for regulating Elections—which, it must be evident to your Excellency, are of the highest importance to the internal improvement of the Colony—We, therefore, humbly request that your Excellency will be pleased to exert your influence in the proper quarter, to obtain early decisions on the several Acts herein recited, in order, if they meet the approval of His Majesty in Council, that the advantages of their operation may not be longer withheld from the Colony.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Dalrymple:—
Praying the concurrence of His Majesty's Council to a Bill intitled “An Act to confirm and render valid certain Marriages heretofore solemnized within this Island, and also to declare by whom, and in what manner Matrimony shall be celebrated in future.”

On motion, the said Bill was read a first time.

Adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, May 10, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables { *George Wright,*
Ambrose Lane,
T. H. Haviland,
The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

On motion, the Honorables *A. Lane* and *T. H. Haviland* were appointed a Committee on the part of this House, to wait upon his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Address of Condolence to His Majesty upon the lamented death of His late Majesty, of blessed memory; and congratulating His Majesty upon his accession to the Throne of his Ancestors—and to request that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same in such way and manner as he may deem proper; and a Message was ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly, acquainting them therewith.

On motion, the bill intituled “An Act to alter an act made and passed in the Tenth year of the late King, for regulating the size of Barrels and the Inspection of Pickled Fish,”—was read a third time and passed, and a Message sent down to the House of Assembly, acquainting them therewith.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Brecken, viz.

“In the House of Assembly, May 10th, 1831.

“Ordered, that a Committee be appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty’s Council, to wait on his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the joint Address of the Council and Assembly, relative to various Acts therein mentioned, transmitted for the Royal Allowance.

“Ordered, that Mr. *Brecken*, Mr. *J. S. Macdonald*, and Mr. *Dalrymple* be a Committee for that purpose.

“Ordered, that a copy of the foregoing Orders be communicated to His Majesty’s Council.”

On motion, ordered, that the Honorables *George Wright* and *T. H. Haviland* be a Committee to join the Committee of the House of Assembly to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the joint Address of the Council and Assembly, relative to various Acts therein mentioned, transmitted for the Royal Allowance; and that a Message be sent down to the House of Assembly, acquainting them therewith.

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

“Mr. President,

“The House of Assembly request a Conference with His Majesty’s Council, on the propriety of preparing a suitable Inscription for the Plate to be presented to His Excellency Lieutenant Governor Ready, pursuant to a vote of the Legislature in its present Session, and have appointed Mr. *Dalrymple*, Mr. *Binns*, and Mr. *Cameron* a Committee to manage the said Conference.”

On motion, the Conference requested by the House of Assembly was agreed to; and the Honorables *T. H. Haviland* and the *Attorney General* were appointed a Committee for that purpose—to meet the Committee of the House of Assembly in the Committee Room instanter.

Whereupon the Committee went to the Conference—and being returned, reported the substance thereof.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Owen :—

“ Mr. President,

“ The House of Assembly have appointed Mr. Owen, Mr. Binns, Mr. Cody, Mr. Brecken, and Mr. Pope a Committee on the part of that House to wait upon his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Address of the Council and Assembly to his Majesty, upon the lamented death of his late Majesty, of glorious memory—and congratulating his Majesty upon his accession to the Throne of his Ancestors—and to request that his Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same, in such way and manner as his Excellency may deem proper.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, May 11, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;

The Honorables	{	<i>George Wright,</i>
		<i>Ambrose Lane,</i>
		<i>T. H. Haviland,</i>
		<i>Charles Worrell,</i>
		<i>The Attorney General.</i>

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

The Hon. *A. Lane*, from the Committee appointed to join the Committee of the House of Assembly, to wait upon his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Address of Condolence to his Majesty upon the lamented death of his late Majesty, of blessed memory, and congratulating his Majesty upon his accession to the Throne of his Ancestors, and to request that his Excellency would be pleased to transmit the same, in such way and manner as he may deem proper—reported, that the joint Committee had waited on his Excellency accordingly, and that his Excellency had replied that he would transmit the same on the first opportunity.

The Honorable the *Attorney General* moved for leave to present a Petition from certain Inhabitants of this Island—praying that a Bill to confirm and render valid certain Marriages heretofore solemnized in this Island, and also to declare by whom and in what manner Matrimony shall be celebrated in future—be either rejected, or modified in such shape that it may not interfere with the Privileges of the Churches of England, Rome and Scotland. Leave was accordingly granted, and the said Petition was read by the Clerk, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Honorable *George Wright*, from the Committee appointed to join the Committee of the House of Assembly, to present to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor the Joint Address of the Council and Assembly relative to various Acts therein mentioned, transmitted for the Royal Allowance—reported, that they had waited on his Excellency accordingly, and that his Excellency was pleased to say that he would lay the matter before His Majesty's Government without delay.

On motion, Resolved, that the Bill intituled “ An Act to confirm and render valid certain Marriages heretofore solemnized within this Island, and also to declare by whom and in what manner Matrimony shall be celebrated in future,”—now before this House, having been sent up from

the House of Assembly at this advanced period of the Session, the Council are unable to afford it that degree of consideration which the importance of the subject necessarily requires, particularly as this Bill embodies provisions contained in an Act of the General Assembly of this Island, which has already been disallowed by his Majesty in Council; and although this House is fully impressed with the necessity of passing a Law, embracing the principle of the present Bill, yet they deem it advisable under the circumstances, that the matter be postponed till the next Session, when this House will give it their early attention.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Dalrymple:—
“ House of Assembly, May 10th, 1831.

“ Mr. President,

“ The House of Assembly have appointed Mr. *Dalrymple*, Mr. *Binns*, Mr. *Cameron* and Mr. *Brecken* a Committee on the part of this House to join a Committee of his Majesty's Council, to prepare a suitable Inscription to be engraved on the Plate to be presented to his Excellency Lieutenant Governor Ready, in the name of the Inhabitants of this Island, expressive of the high sense they entertain of his public services, and of the general sorrow felt at the near prospect of his departure from this Colony.”

On motion, the Honorables *T. H. Haviland*, and the *Attorney General* were appointed a Committee on the part of this House to prepare a suitable Inscription to be engraved on the Plate to be presented to His Excellency Lieutenant Governor Ready, in the name of the Inhabitants of this Island—and a Message ordered to be sent down to the House of Assembly, acquainting them therewith.

Adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, May 12, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
The Honorables { *George Wright*,
 { *Ambrose Lane*,
 { *T. H. Haviland*,
 { *Charles Worrell*,
 { *The Attorney General*.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. Green—with an Account of the Contingent Expences of the House of Assembly, for the present Session.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor having come to the Council Chamber, and being seated, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod received His Excellency's commands to inform the House of Assembly, that it is His Excellency's command, that they do attend him in the Council Chamber instanter:

And the House of Assembly with their Speaker, having attended accordingly, His Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bills, viz.

V. An Act to repeal an act intituled “ An Act for the preservation of Sheep within the Royalty of Charlotte-Town, by imposing a Tax on Dogs.”

VI. An Act to amend an act made and passed in the Fifth year of his late Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to provide a remedy for injuries arising from improper burning of Woods."

VII. An Act to continue an Act intituled "An Act to establish an Assize of Bread within the Town and Royalty of Charlotte-Town," and an act intituled "An Act to regulate the driving Carts, Carriages, Sleighs and Carioles, on the Highways."

VIII. An Act to authorize the appointment of Commissioners for erecting certain Public Works therein mentioned.

IX. An Act to authorize Justices of the Peace to enforce the attendance of Witnesses in certain cases.

X. An Act to prevent the running at large of Rams at improper seasons, and to regulate the appointment of Sheep-Reeves—and to suspend two certain acts therein mentioned."

XI. An Act for the Recovery of Small Debts, and to continue and amend the several Acts therein mentioned.

XII. An Act to alter an act made and passed in the Tenth year of the late King, for regulating the size of Barrels and the Inspection of Pickled Fish.

XIII. An Act to discourage Litigation, by regulating the sett-off of mutual Debts in actions at Law.

XIV. An Act to establish a Reward for the destruction of Bears and Loupcerviers.

XV. An Act to authorize a further issue of Treasury Notes.

XVI. An Act to amend an act made and passed in the Eleventh year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled an act for granting Licences to Tavern or Innkeepers and Storekeepers, and for regulatiug persons licenced---and to suspend the operation of the acts therein mentioned, and to suspend part of an act passed in the Thirty-fifth year of the reign of King George the Third, intituled "An Act for regulatiug Servants."

XVII. An Act to amend an act made and passed in the Tenth year of his late Majesty, intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the Eighth year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to continue an act made and passed in the Sixth year of his present Majesty's reign, intituled an act to revive, alter and continue an act made and passed in the Fifty-second year 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.

XVIII. An Act for appropriating certain Monies therein mentioned, for the Service of the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-one.

His Excellency was then pleased to close the Session with the following Speech, viz.

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

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

It affords me infinite satisfaction to mark the sense I entertain of the harmony and confidence that have subsisted between both branches of the Legislature during the present Session, with my cordial approbation, and to express my conviction that it offers the surest pledge of your anxious desire to meet the exigencies of the Colony, and to cherish and minister to the various sources of its internal prosperity.

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

I return you my thanks for the readiness and liberality with which you have granted the Supplies for the service of His Majesty for the current year, and for the aid you have afforded to the agricultural interests of the Colony.

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

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

The necessary public business being concluded, I am enabled to release you from further attendance in Colonial Parliament; and, at the same time, to return you my warm acknowledgments for the zeal and diligence which you have manifested in the consideration of the many important subjects to which your attention has been directed during this Session.

The President of His Majesty's Council then said—
Gentlemen,

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

GOD SAVE THE KING.