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OF THE

HOUSE of ASSEMBLY,

1816.



PROCLAMATION.

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J. C. SHERBROOKE.

*By His Excellency Lieutenant-General
Sir JOHN COAPE SHERBROOKE,
Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honor-
able Military Order of the Bath, Lieu-
tenant-Governor, and Commander in
Chief, in and over His Majesty's Pro-
vince of Nova-Scotia, and its Depend-
encies, Vice-Admiral of the same, &c.&c.&c.*

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Thursday, the 22d day of December inst :

I have thought fit, further to prorogue the said General Assembly to Thursday, the eighth day of February next, *then to meet for the Dispatch of Business* ; of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly,

*GIVEN under my Hand and Seal at Arms,
at Halifax, this 9th day of December,
1815, in the 56th year of His Majesty's
Reign.*

By His Excellency's Command,

H. H. COGSWELL.

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THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,
OF
THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA.

THURSDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, 1816.

A MESSAGE from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Deputy Secretary Cogswell,
Mr. Speaker,

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

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

And being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had attended his Excellency in the Council Chamber, where His Excellency had been pleased to make a Speech; of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, which he read to the House, and is as follows:

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council;
Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:*

IT is with peculiar pleasure, I address you at a moment, like the present, when, after a long series of awful and uncertain warfare, we behold the whole world enjoying the blessings of peace. The military renown of Great-Britain, has,

has, during this eventful period, been exalted beyond all former example ; and universal admiration and applause have been excited by the glorious result of the hard-fought and decisive battle of Waterloo : Contested, as it was, by a part only of the Armies of the Allied Sovereigns, opposed to a far superior force, yet these Troops, directed by the consummate skill and bravery of the Duke of WELLINGTON and Prince BLUCHER, and animated by the most heroic valour, overthrew the host which BONAPARTE had assembled for their destruction, and opened to themselves a ready way to the French Capital. To the gallant and successful exertions of those Illustrious Commanders, and the Heroes who served under them on that memorable occasion, is Europe, under Divine Providence, indebted for a Peace, which promises to be as permanent as it is honorable.

The Treaty of Peace between Great-Britain and America, which has been ratified by the latter Power since our last meeting in General Assembly, is another subject for congratulation.

The Declaration of War by the Government of the United States against us in 1812, having abrogated the Treaty of 1783, the Americans have, consequently, forfeited the privilege they enjoyed by that Treaty, of fishing upon our Coasts, and curing their fish in the uninhabited creeks and harbours of this Province ; and I am particularly happy to observe, that no stipulation for the renewal of this objectionable Article has been made in the present Treaty. You will further perceive, by the Commercial arrangements which have since taken place between the two Countries, that our Parent State evinces a determination to prevent all foreign interference with the welfare of her Colonies. The British North-American Provinces will, consequently, be enabled to supply our West-India Islands with fish and lumber, without the dread of any competition from their American neighbours in these branches of commerce. Prospects so encouraging will, I doubt not, be taken advantage of by the industrious and enterprising inhabitants of Nova-Scotia ; and, you may rest assured, that nothing can be more gratifying to my feelings, than to see this Province advancing with rapid steps towards the attainment of that state of commercial prosperity, to which, from her local situation, and her maritime and agricultural resources, she is so well entitled to look forward.

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

I have directed the accounts of the public expenditure for the last year, to be laid before you ; and I trust they will be found correct and satisfactory. The proper Officer will present to you an estimate for the Civil Establishment, and other services required for the present year ; for which, from the frequent experience I have already had of your liberality, I entertain no doubt but that you will make the necessary provision.

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

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

Although the state of the weather during the last Summer, has proved to
unfavorable

unfavorable to working on the Public Roads ; yet, I think, it will be acknowledged, that they are very considerably improved ; and that travelling has been rendered much more expeditious and commodious since the present system has been adopted. It having been represented to me, that some improvements might be made in our Light-Houses, likely to be beneficial to Mariners approaching this Coast, I feel it my duty to submit a matter of this importance to your consideration : and I will order the communications which have been made to me on this subject, to be laid before you.

Allow me to recommend, that the Public Business be entered upon, and expedited as much as possible, at the commencement of the Session : to avoid hurry when the usual period of prorogation approaches ; and rest assured, of my cordial co-operation and assistance in any beneficial measure that may be suggested in the course of your deliberations.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General Robie, Mr. Archibald and Mr. Lawson, be a committee, to prepare an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech.

Ordered, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. Pyke, Mr. Chipman, Mr. Crane and Mr. Wells, be a committee of this House, for the purpose of examining the Public Accounts, jointly with a committee of His Majesty's Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. Pyke, Mr. Haliburton and Mr. Marshall, be a committee to examine into and report on the expiring laws.

Ordered, That no Petition, of a private nature, be received after Tuesday, the 20th instant.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that he had received, during the recess of the House, a Note from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, addressed to him, which he read to the House, and is as follows :

Government-House, 16th June, 1815.

SIR,

Herewith I transmit the copy of a Letter I have received from Earl Bathurst, by which you will perceive, that the Prince REGENT has been pleased to approve of my receiving the present of Plate, voted me by the House of Assembly at the close of the last Session : and I have the honor to signify to you, that I shall, in consequence, now accept, with great pleasure, the very handsome testimony offered by the Legislature, of the favorable opinion they were pleased to entertain of my conduct since I have had the honor of administering the Government of this Province. This token, of the sentiments of the House towards me, I shall appreciate the more highly from the conviction, that it would

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not have been presented if that Respectable Body had not thought my services deserving of this flattering acknowledgment.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. C. SHERBROOKE.

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House a copy of Earl Bathurst's Letter, addressed to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, and referred to in His Excellency's Note: which he read to the House, and is as follows:

Downing-Street, 10th May, 1815.

SIR,

I have submitted to his Royal Highness the Prince Regent, the Address of the House of Assembly of Nova-Scotia, of the 3d ult. in which they request your acceptance of a sum voted for the purchase of Plate, and I am commanded to assure you, that his Royal Highness has much satisfaction in sanctioning your acceptance of this tribute of respect and approbation which he cannot but consider to be most justly due to the unremitting attention which you have uniformly paid to the interest and security of the Province under your Government.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

BATHURST.

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House, a copy of a letter written by him to John Robinson, Esq. Speaker of the Assembly of New-Brunswick, dated 20th August, 1815, on the subject of the Plaster of Paris Trade; and also Mr. Robinson's answer to the same, dated St. John, 15th November, 1815; also,

A copy of a letter from Mr. Speaker to Andrew Belcher, Esq. dated 27th June, 1815, requesting him to procure the Plate to be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor; with Mr. Belcher's answer to the same, dated London, 4th August, 1815; and also,

A Petition of the Reverend Charles William Weeks, of Guysborough; and the same was read, praying payment of his salary as Master of the Grammar School in the County of Sydney from the 2d of March to the 2d of September, 1814, amounting to 25l.

Ordered, That the said papers do lie on the table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

The Speaker also acquainted the House that the Reverend Doctor Stanfer, the Chaplain of this House, was absent in England on his private affairs, and thereupon,

On motion, *resolved,* That the Reverend Robert Milne, be appointed acting Chaplain to the House for the present Session.

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

Friday,

Friday, 9th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, the undermentioned letters, received by him during the recess of the House, viz :—

Two letters from Nathaniel Atcheson, Esq. addressed to the President of His Majesty's Council, and Mr. Speaker, one dated London, 7th May, 1815, and the other dated the 1st July, 1815, on the affairs of the Province ; also,

A copy of a letter from the chairman of the London Committee of Trade to Earl Bathurst, dated London, 5th June, 1815, on subjects connected with British North-America : and also,

A copy of a letter from Henry Goulburn, Esq. to Nathaniel Atcheson, Esq. dated, Downing Street, 29th May, 1815, on the subject of persons desirous of emigrating to North America.

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

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

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

Saturday, 10th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Solicitor General, reported from the committee appointed to prepare an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech, that they had drawn up an Address accordingly, and he read the Address in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's table, where it was read, and is as follows :

To His Excellency Lieutenant-General Sir JOHN COAPE SHERBROOKE, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-Governor, and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

THE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY :

May it please Your Excellency,

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

The pleasure we experience in meeting your Excellency in times like the present, when, after an awful and uncertain Contest of so many years, the World
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reposes from the calamities of War, is heightened by the proud consciousness, that, during this period, the British Commanders have rivalled the glories of their most celebrated predecessors, and have more than supported the ancient claims of their Country to Military Renown.

The universal admiration excited by the successful result of the Battle of Waterloo, is a tribute justly due to the brave Men, by whose heroic valour, it was gained. This valour, animated and directed by the matchless skill and bravery of the Duke of WELLINGTON and Prince BLUCHER, overthrew an Army, and a Chief, long accustomed to Victory, and by placing the French Capital in the power of the Conquerors, has, under the blessing of Divine Providence, terminated the Wars of Europe, by a Peace which we hope, may be permanent, as it is honorable.

We acknowledge, with gratitude, the attention of the Parent State to the interest of the Colonies; and feel the fullest assurance that the privileges granted to the Americans by the Treaty of 1783, the exercise of which has proved so injurious to the Commerce of Great-Britain, will never again be conceded to them; and we confidently trust, the Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia will avail themselves of the many advantages now afforded them, by the commercial arrangements between the two Countries, by so employing their maritime and agricultural resources, as to enable them to supply our West-India Islands with Fish and Lumber, and thereby attain all the advantages arising from those branches of commerce.

We thank your Excellency for the early period in which you have directed the Accounts of the Public Expenditures for the last year to be laid before us; and we assure your Excellency, that we shall, with the greatest readiness, grant such Supplies, as may be necessary for the Civil Establishment, and other Services, required for the present year.

We observe with great satisfaction, the improvement of the Roads throughout the Province: and shall earnestly pursue such systems, as may appear best calculated to render the communication between the Capital and the remotest part of the Country, expeditious and commodious.

In submitting to our consideration, the Communications relative to the Light-Houses, we feel the interest taken by your Excellency, in every thing connected with our prosperity: and we are happy in the occasion now afforded us, of expressing, not only our assurance, that we will give to this important subject the serious consideration it requires, but our thanks to your Excellency, for this added proof of your attention to the welfare of the Province.

On our part, we shall gladly concur, with His Majesty's Council, in expediting the business of the Session at its commencement: and we rely, with perfect confidence, upon your Excellency's assistance and co-operation in every measure conducive to the public good.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Pyke, Mr. Purdy and Mr. Crane, be a committee, to
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wait on his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to know his pleasure when he will be attended by the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have appointed a committee to join a committee of this House for the purpose of examining the Public Accounts.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Dimock, *resolved*, That this House will, on Monday next, take into consideration the subject of the repair of roads and bridges throughout the Province.

Mr. Pyke reported from 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, that the committee had, pursuant to order, waited on his Excellency, and that his Excellency was pleased to appoint this day at three of the clock, at the Government House.

Mr. Speaker and the House attended his Excellency with their Address pursuant to the Resolution of this day.

And being returned.

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

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

I BEG to return you my warmest thanks for this Address.

The Communications which I have received respecting the state of the Light-Houses on the Shores of the Province shall be immediately laid before you, and as there are some other circumstances with which it appears to me necessary that you should be made acquainted, I shall take an early opportunity of making known their purport to you by Message.

J. C. SHERBROOKE.

A petition of Joseph Langley, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, setting forth, that he has resided on the road from Musquodoboit to Guysborough during three years, and praying that the sum of 20l. granted in the year 1813, may be paid to him.

A petition of John Hutchinson, commissioner for the road between Windsor and Chester, was presented by Mr. Dimock, and read, praying that the sum of 50l. the balance of the Grant of last year for the said road, and also, the further sum of 9l. 16s. for expences incurred by him in providing Gun-Powder, Tools, &c. for the service of the same road, may be paid him.

Ordered, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

On motion of Mr. Solicitor General, *resolved*, That this House will, on
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Monday, the 19th instant, take into consideration the subject of the Criminal Laws of the Province.

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

Monday, 12th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

The order of the day being read,

On motion, The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the repair of the roads and bridges throughout the Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

The Chairman reported from the committee that they had gone through the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to a resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that it is expedient to continue the system of improving the roads and bridges by the appointment of Supervisors.

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

On motion of Mr. Marsters, *resolved*, That a committee be appointed to examine into, and report on, the accounts of expenditures by the respective Supervisors of the Great Roads leading to Windsor and Truro.

Ordered, That Mr. Bishop, Mr. Baker, and Mr. Shaw, be a committee for the above purpose.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, be requested to direct the Commissioners appointed to build a bridge over the Chiganoise River on the main road leading to Cumberland, to proceed in the erection of the same, according to the plan and estimate made by Mr. Mosher, and submitted to His Excellency ; and this House will make provision therefor, not exceeding the sum of three hundred and fifty pounds in addition to the sum granted in the last Session.

Mr. Lawton presented to the House, an account from Mr. Treasurer Wallace, of all Monies received by him into, and payments by him made from, the Provincial Treasury, between the 1st January and 31st December, 1815.

Ordered, That the account do lie on the table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

A petition of Samuel Pool, was presented by Mr. Pool, and read, praying that the sum of 16l. 13s. 4d. may be granted for his services as Master of the Grammar School at Yarmouth, between 25th February and 24th April, 1815.
Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the table.

Mr. Deputy Secretary Cogswell acquainted the House, that he had several Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, signed by His Excellency, and that he had received His Excellency's commands to lay them before the House :

A copy of a letter from Lieutenant-General Sir Gordon Drummond, to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, dated, Quebec, 21st Aug. 1815, accompanied by a report of the Commissioners for distributing the sum of 2500l. granted by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, for the relief of the sufferers by the late War in Upper Canada. Also,

A copy of a letter from A. Lockwood, Admiralty Surveyor, to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, dated 22d Jany. 1816, accompanied by a report of the state of the Light Houses on the coast of N. Scotia. Also,

A copy of a letter from Rear-Admiral Griffith, to his Excellency the Lieut. Gov. dated Halifax, 22d Sept. 1815, accompanied by a letter from Mr. Lockwood to the Admiral, on the subject of the Light-House on Briar Island. Also,

An Extract of a Letter from Earl Bathurst to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, dated, Downing-street, the 10th May, 1815, on the subject of opening the Coal Mines, and the introduction of People of Colour into the Province. And also,

An Estimate of the Expence for the support of the Civil Establishment of His Majesty's Government, for the Year 1816.

And he presented the said several Messages, together with the said Papers, to the House.

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

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

Having transmitted for the consideration of his Majesty's Government, the Address of his Majesty's Council and House of Assembly, on the subject of opening the Coal Mines ; and also, the Address of the House of Assembly on the subject of the introduction and settlement of People of Colour in this Province, I have now the satisfaction of communicating to you, the reply of the Right Honorable Earl Bathurst thereto.

J. C. SHERBROOKE.

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

The Deputy Paymaster-General of His Majesty's Forces in this Province, has received my orders forthwith to re-pay, in Specie, into the Provincial Treasury, the sum of ten thousand pounds, borrowed during the late War in Province Notes, for the use of the Forces ; I communicate this informati-

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on, thus early in the Sessions, that such appropriations may be made, and financial arrangements adopted, as the state of the Treasury will allow, and the public good render effectual.

J. C. SHERBROOKE.

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

The very liberal and seasonable Donation, made by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, in March, 1814, for the relief of the distresses of our Fellow-Subjects in Upper-Canada, (produced by the devastations committed by His Majesty's Enemies) was soon after remitted by me to the Commander in Chief of Upper Canada for distribution, and I have the pleasure herewith to submit to your consideration the manner in which your benevolent Grant has been applied.

J. C. SHERBROOKE.

The several other Papers, as delivered to the House by the Deputy-Secretary, were read by the Clerk : and thereupon,

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

On motion of Mr. Haliburton, *resolved,* That this House will, on Thursday next, take into consideration that part of His Excellency's Speech, and also the several Papers submitted by His Excellency to the House, relative to the Light-Houses.

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

Tuesday, 13th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved,* That a supply be granted to His Majesty.

Ordered, That the Estimate of the Expence for the Support of his Majesty's Government, be referred to a Committee of Supply.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pyke took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply : which report the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven o'clock,

Wednesday,

Wednesday, 14th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Deputy-Secretary Cogswell acquainted the House, that he had a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, signed by His Excellency ; and he presented the said Message to the House.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows :

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

I beg leave to submit to your consideration a Memorial, which has lately been presented to me by George Henry Monk, Esq. one of the Justices of His Majesty's Supreme Court in this Province.

Being unwilling, except in cases of very strong claim, to recommend to the Legislature any Petitions whatsoever that may burthen the Province with Pensions to Individuals, I took the precaution of submitting the Memorial in question to the Chief-Justice, for his advice as to the propriety of complying with the prayer of it : a copy of his reply to me is hereunto annexed : and, upon the opinion given in that Letter, I think fit to recommend to the Legislature of this Province the Memorial of Judge Monk for favorable consideration.

J. C. SHERBROOKE.

A copy of the Memorial of Judge Monk, to His Excellency, referred to in the foregoing Message, was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :

May it please your Excellency,

I beg leave to state to your Excellency, that, since the year 1774, I have constantly served in various offices, and stations of public trust and responsibility, under Government, in Nova Scotia, and have discharged the duties of an Assistant Justice, in His Majesty's Supreme Court, for nearly fifteen years ; and now, at an advanced age, and with a much impaired constitution, find that I may soon be unable to perform those duties, without extreme suffering, from want of health ; and, therefore, most respectfully pray that your Excellency will be favorably pleased to recommend to the other Branches of the General Assembly, the allowing me a Pension for the support of myself and family, when, after a life of public service in the Province, I may be obliged, however reluctantly, to retire : which, should the infirm state of my health continue to increase, I may expect will be before the next meeting of the General Assembly.

I have the honor to be, with every sentiment of respect,

Your Excellency's most obedient, humble servant,

G. H. MONK.

The Clerk also read a copy of the Chief-Justice's reply to His Excellency, on the subject of the foregoing Memorial : and thereupon,

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Ordered,

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act to explain the Acts concerning Marriage and Divorce, passed in the thirty-second year of His late Majesty's reign, and the first year of His present Majesty's reign. Also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to the Act for punishing Criminal Offenders : to which Bills they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The said Bills were severally read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bills be read a second time.

A Petition of Clarke Sanford and Encom Sandford, was presented by Mr. Allison, and read, praying a remission of the Duty on a Cargo of Plaster of Paris, shipped by them for Passamaquoddy, and which Plaster was lost at the entrance of the Harbour of St. John, New-Brunswick, on the 3d Dec. last.

A petition of G. Oxley and others, Magistrates and Inhabitants of the District of Remsheg, in the County of Cumberland, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, setting forth, that they suffer great inconvenience by their necessary attendance on the several Courts in said County, many of the Petitioners residing upwards of fifty miles from the place where they are now held, and praying that whenever a new Court House shall be built, which is at present much wanted, it may be erected at or near the River Philip, on the Post Road in said County.

A petition of Miles M'Innes, and others, Inhabitants of Musquodoboit, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying an aid for the roads in that settlement.

A petition of John Black, in behalf of Baring, Brothers and Company, Merchants of London, was presented by Mr. Pryor, and read, praying that a sunk duty amounting to 40l. 10s. 7d. secured by them on a quantity of Coffee, landed in the Port of Halifax, from the Brig William, a re-capture, and afterwards exported to the Port of Greenock, may be refunded to them.

Ordered, That the petitions do lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Crane, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the State of the Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow :

Resolved,

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee that a sum of money should be granted for the purpose of procuring Seed for such of the indigent settlers of this Province, as have had their Harvest destroyed in the last season by wet weather and mice.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the raising of Grain throughout the Province, should be encouraged by a bounty from the Legislature, and that the same should be applied in the manner heretofore by Law provided for.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee that the Fisheries of the Province should be encouraged by a bounty from the Legislature.

The chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the business to them referred; which report the House agreed to.

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

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

Thursday, 15th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act in addition to the Act for punishing Criminal Offenders; and also,

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to explain the Acts concerning Marriage and Divorce, passed in the thirty-second year of his late Majesty's reign, and the first year of his present Majesty's reign, were severally read a second time.

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

The order of the day being read,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of that part of his Excellency's Speech, and also, of the several papers submitted by his Excellency to the House, relative to the Light-Houses.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the Committee had come to a resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's table where it was read and is as follows:

Resolved,

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a committee should be appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to enable His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint a Board of Commissioners for the purpose of managing and conducting the Funds arising from the several Light-Houses upon the coast; which Board of Commissioners shall have full power to direct and order all such alterations and repairs as may, upon enquiry, be found necessary to be made in the Light-Houses aforesaid, and also shall have full power and authority to contract for the lighting and keeping the same; and that such sum of money as the House may deem necessary in addition to the Funds arising from the Light-Houses, may be granted by the House.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Mortimer, and Mr. Solicitor General, do prepare and bring in a Bill agreeably to the foregoing Resolution.

A petition of James Scott, and others, Inhabitants of the Upper Settlement of the Nine Mile River, in Douglafs. Also,

A petition of Donald Grant, senr. and others, Inhabitants of the Gore Land, in the said Township. And also,

A petition of Thomas Wallace, and others, of the Northern District of Rawdon, were severally presented by Mr. Dimock, and read, praying aids for the respective roads in the aforesaid Districts.

A petition of William O'Brien, and others, was presented by Mr. Dimock, and read, praying an aid for altering and making a road from Noel to Halifax through Kenetcook, the eastern part of Rawdon and Beaver Bank; in addition to the sum of 65l. 7s. 6d. subscribed by the Inhabitants for that purpose.

Ordered, That the Petitions do lie on the table.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven o'clock:

Friday, 16th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A petition of Walter Bromley, Keeper of the Acadian School in Halifax, was presented by Mr. Shaw, and read, praying for some pecuniary assistance in consideration of his exertions in founding and establishing that School, which is acknowledged to be of great public utility.

A petition of Henry Green and John Graham, was presented by Mr. Pyke, and read, setting forth that the petitioners have opened a communication from Porter's Lake with the sea, so as to admit the passage of vessels of upwards of 60 tons burthen, which is found to be of public utility, and praying some compensation for their services.

Ordered, That the petitions do lie on the table.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a petition of Thomas Thomson, Esq. Major

Major in the Nova-Scotia Artillery, and also a Letter from him to Lieutenant Colonel Addison, Military Secretary, dated, Chester, 4th Dec. 1815, submitting the expediency of purchasing for the use of the Province, a certain piece of Ground, with the Buildings thereon, at Chester, the property of Messrs. John & Samuel Prescott, on which a Battery has been erected at the expense of the Province, by order of His Excellency, and at present held by lease from the proprietors at 10l. per annum.

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the engrossed Bill from the Council to explain the Acts concerning Marriage and Divorce, and that the committee had made several amendments thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House: and he afterwards delivered the Bill, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's table.

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

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

Ordered, That the amendments be engrossed.

Mr. Shaw, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to continue and amend the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Kent, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate Jails and Jailors, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to continue an Act for encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province; and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bills be read a second time.

A petition of John Walker and others, inhabitants of the Township of Falmouth, was presented by Mr. Haliburton, and read, praying for a sum of Money to be granted to them, in aid of their subscription for lowering the falls on the main branch of the River Avon.

Ordered, That the petition do lie on the table.

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

Saturday, 17th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to explain the Acts concerning Marriage and Divorce, passed in the thirty-second year of his late Majesty's reign, and the first year of his present Majesty's reign; and also the engrossed amendments to the said Bill, were severally read a third time.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same with several amendments.

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

A Bill to regulate Jails and Jailors: and also,

A Bill to continue an Act for Encouraging the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province, were severally read a second time.

Resolved; That the Bills be committed to a committee of the whole House.

Mr. Wells, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for founding and establishing an Academy at Picton; and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

A petition of the Reverend Robert Norris and others, inhabitants of the Townships of Cornwallis and Horton, was presented by Mr. Chipman, and read, praying an aid for the erection of a Bridge over the River which separates those Townships, near the residence of William Campbell, Esq. in addition to 1000*l.* subscribed by the inhabitants.

A petition of William Green and others, inhabitants on the east side of Shubenacadie, was presented by Mr. Kent, and read, praying an aid for the Roads in that Settlement.

A petition of Elias Tupper and others, also a petition of George Neily and others, inhabitants of the Township of Aylesford; and also a petition of George Chipman and others, inhabitants of Cornwallis, was presented by Mr. Chipman, and severally read, praying aid for the Roads respectively within their Districts.

Ordered, That the Petitions do lie on the table.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a conference by committee on the Expediency of having a Survey of the Roads made preparatory to a Division of the Province into Counties, Townships and Parishes, pursuant to his Majesty's Instructions.

And then the Messenger withdrew:

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

Ordered, That Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Allison, Mr. Chipman, and Mr. Shaw, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the Conference;

And being returned,

Mr.

Mr. Mortimer reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and were informed by the committee of his Majesty's Council that they were instructed to state to the Managers, that his Majesty's Council finding that there is no correct plan of the Roads throughout the Province in the Surveyor-General's Office, and being desirous that steps should be taken to comply with his Majesty's Instructions, they will concur in having the same carried into effect, should the House of Assembly think proper to order the Service to be performed; and that a Mr. Gill, (a person well qualified) has offered to execute the work and to lay a plan before the Legislature at its next Meeting, when he will be satisfied with any Sum the House may deem sufficient, as a remuneration for his services.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had gone through the Bill to amend and continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions; and had made an amendment thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered the Bill, with the amendment, in at the Clerk's Table.

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

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

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pool took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply: which report the House agreed to.

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

Monday, 19th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A Bill for founding and establishing an Academy at Pictou; and also,

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A Bill for the better regulating the manner of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and Sessions of the Peace in the County of Sydney, were severally read a second time.

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

A petition of William Davison, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying that the sum of 22l. may be granted him, being a balance due for the repair of the Great Road to Truro, in the year 1810, under a contract with Mr. Wallace, the Commissioner for the said road.

A petition of Gamaliel Stewart and others, inhabitants of Port Mutton, was presented by Mr. Freeman, and read, praying aid for building a bridge over a creek in the centre of that Settlement.

A petition of Allen M'Phee and others ; also, a petition of James Scott and others ; and also, a petition of David Whidden and others, inhabitants of the Township of Douglass—were severally presented by Mr. Dimock, and read, praying aid for the respective Roads within the said Township.

A petition of John Crowe and others, Inhabitants of the District of Colchester, and the County of Hants, owners of Quarries of Plaster of Paris, and of Vessels employed in exporting that article, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, setting forth that the Duty on Plaster of Paris, operates as a heavy and oppressive burthen on them, and praying that the same may not be continued.

Ordered, That the petitions do lie on the table.

A Petition of Nathaniel Thomas, and others, was presented by Mr. Haliburton, and read, setting forth, that the erection of a Bridge across the River Avon, in Windsor, at the Point of Rock, so called, would be of great public utility : by facilitating the communication between the eastern and western parts of the Province ; and praying the aid of the House in carrying the same into effect, in addition to a large sum already subscribed by the Inhabitants of the Townships of Windsor and Falmouth for that service .

On motion, *ordered*, That the foregoing petition ; and also the petition of the Reverend Robert Norris and others, be referred to the committee of Supply : and thereupon,

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pyke took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to two resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum, not exceeding One Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, should be granted and paid, to enable the

the Inhabitants of King's County, to erect a Bridge over Cornwallis River, near William Campbell's, in aid of the sum of One Thousand Pounds, already subscribed for the above purpose, provided that the said sum shall not be drawn from the Treasury, until the Commissioner or Commissioners appointed for building the said bridge, shall certify to his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that the sum of one thousand pounds, subscribed for that service, hath been collected, nor until the Justices of the County of King's County, in their General or Special Sessions, shall likewise certify that a public highway is opened and established without any expence to the Province, leading from the main road on each side of the Cornwallis river, to the place where the bridge is to be erected.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee that a sum of Twenty-five Thousand Pounds should be granted for the repair of Roads and Bridges throughout the Province, for the present year, to be appropriated and applied in such manner as shall be hereafter agreed upon by the Legislature.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply : which report the House agreed to.

The said resolutions were read throughout a first and second time : and upon the question, severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

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

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to continue, alter and amend, an Act, passed in the 48th year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions.

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

Mr. Solicitor General, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in addition to an Act, passed in the 55th year of his Majesty's reign, for establishing a Bridewell, for the County of Halifax ; and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

A petition of Alexander Mitchell, distiller, was presented by Mr. Solicitor General, and read, praying for a reduction of the duty on Spirituous Liquors, distilled within the Province.

A petition of Thomas Davison and William Corbit, of Pictou, Merchants, was presented by Mr. Solicitor General, and read, praying for payment of the Bounty on a cargo of Salt, imported from Liverpool, in Great-Britain, to the Port of Pictou, and there sold on the 12th June last, under the Act of the Province, amounting to 93l. 2s. 5d.

A petition of James N. Crane, in behalf of himself and William Crane, merchants, was presented by Mr. Wells, and read, praying for a drawback

of the Excise Duty on a certain quantity of British Merchandise exported to Westmoreland in December last, amounting to 15l. 4s. 6d.

A petition of John H. Flieger, Weigher & Guager for the Port of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Solicitor General, and read, setting forth that from the time a Provincial Revenue was established, the duties of Weigher and Guager were performed by the same person who acted for the Revenue of the Crown, and in consequence obtained the emoluments granted for those services from both offices. That the Duties of said officer having progressively increased, particularly within these few years past, the Petitioner was reduced to the necessity of relinquishing either the one department or the other: that the Petitioner made his selection accordingly, and praying the House will take his case into consideration and grant him such an allowance in lieu of the losses sustained by the Petitioner as to them may seem meet.

Ordered, That the petitions do lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, That this House will, on Wednesday next, take into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, on the subject of Judge Monk's Memorial to His Excellency.

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pyke took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply: which report the House agreed to.

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

Tuesday, 20th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A Bill in addition to an Act, passed in the 55th year of his Majesty's Reign, for establishing a Bridewell for the County of Halifax, was read a second time.

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

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A petition of David Dundas, distiller, was presented by Mr. Shaw, and read, praying for a reduction of the duty on Spirituous Liquors distilled within the Province.

A petition of James N. Shannon and Company, was presented by Mr. Wells, and read, praying for a drawback of the duties on 350 gallons of Rum, part of their stock remaining on hand 11th April last, amounting to 11l. 13s. 4d.

A petition of Samuel Albro and others, was presented by Mr. Lawton, and read, praying an aid for the road running through the lands between the Township of Dartmouth and Sackville, in addition to the sum of 124l. 13s. 4d. subscribed by the Inhabitants.

A petition of David Shaw Clarke, Clerk of the Peace for the Town of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, setting forth, that the Petitioner has performed certain services in taking examinations in criminal cases and other Crown business, in the year 1814, amounting to 47l. 11s. 9d. and praying payment of the same out of the Licence Funds of the present year, or in such other way as to the House may seem meet.

A petition of William Bruce Almon, Physician, was presented by Mr. Pyke, and read, praying for payment of the sum of 136l. 14s. 6d. for Medicines and attendance administered to Sick Refugee Black Persons in the Poor House, in 1814 and 1815, per account.

A petition of John Owen, was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and read, praying for a drawback of the duties on 410 gallons Brandy, exported to New-Brunswick, in April 1814, amounting to 43l. 16s. 11d.

A petition of John Baker, of Wilmot, was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and read, praying payment of the sum of 10l. 5s. for his services in repairing the Bridge over the Annapolis River, near Dodge's, in the year 1815.

A Petition of Joseph Norman Bond and others, Inhabitants of the southwestern extremities of the Counties of Annapolis and Shelburne, in behalf of themselves and others, was presented by Mr. Ritchie, and read, setting forth, that the new back road, laid out by a Jury, and cut through by Mr. Charles M'Carthy, the Commissioner, which connects the two Counties, is the one best calculated to answer the public convenience, and praying an aid for completing the said road.

A Petition of Bartholomew Haines, of Grand Passage, in the County of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Warwick, and read, praying for an aid to make the road passable through Long-Island, in the said Passage.

A Petition of William Johnson and others, also a Petition of John Roop and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Digby, were presented by Mr. Warwick, and read, praying aid for roads in the said Township.

A Petition of Zebulon Phinney and others, also a Petition of John Ruggles and others, and also a Petition of David Bent and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Wilmot; also a Petition of Edward Whitman and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Annapolis; also a Petition of Amos Randell and others, and also the Petition of John Fellows and others, Inhabitants of the
Township

Township of Granville, were severally presented by Mr. Ritchie and read, praying aids for the respective roads within the said Townships.

Ordered, That the Petitions do lie on the table.

Mr. Lawton reported from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to examine the Public Accounts; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read and is as follows:

TREASURER OF THE PROVINCE.

His Accounts to the 31st December last have been received, and are correct; there is a balance in his hands..... £6,722 0 8

COLLECTORS OF IMPOST AND EXCISE:

HALIFAX—His Accounts to the 31st December last have been received, and are correct; Balance of Bonds in his hands for collection £70,928 18 4
Ditto, in the hands of the Attorney-General 597 16 3

71,526 14 7

LUNENBURG.—His Accounts to the 31st December last have been received, and are incorrect; it appears he has bonds in his hands for Collection of..... £196 9 6
Cash in hands to be remitted..... 250 4 4½
Short charged in Account for Duties secured in June and December quarter..... 2 3 10
Short brought forward in balance of last year..... 0 8 0
Error in Wine imported in schooner Leswing, in 1814..... 5 10 6

£454 16 2½

Less credited him by the Treasurer..... 0 16 6

Leaving him accountable for.....

453 19 8½

SHELBURNE—His Accounts to the 31st December last have been received, and are correct; he has bonds in his hands for collection of.....

867 7 6½

LIVERPOOL—No Accounts or Remittances have been received from the former Collector; he still remains accountable for the balance reported last year of..... £1,740 15 7½

He is also accountable for a further sum, endorsed on the

Bonds placed by him in the present Collector's hands

for which he received credit in his account for 1813 of 527 2 0

2,267 17 7½

The present Collector's Accounts have been received, and are correct;

Balance due by him.....

1,778 0 9

YARMOUTH—His Accounts to the 31st December last have been received, and are correct; he has Bonds in his hands for collection.....

740 10 3

ANNAPOLIS—His Accounts to the 31st December last, have been received, and are correct; he has Bonds in his hands for Collection of...

802 7 6

WINDSOR.—His Accounts for last year have been received, and are correct; since which it appears he has paid the Treasurer the sum of..... £120 5 8

Has Bonds in his hands for Collection of..... 122 1 0

242 6 8

KING'S COUNTY.—His Accounts have been received, it appears he has omitted to charge the Impost Duty on sundry Articles imported from New-Brunswick, amounting to £32 13 10½; he has Bonds in his hands for Collection of.....

114 9 5

PICTOU.—No Quarterly Returns.

His Account to the 31st December last has been received, improperly stated; including the balance reported last year, he is accountable for the sum of..... £752 14 0

He has paid by the Treasurer's Account..... 40 19 8

The Treasurer has received since closing his Accounts

the sum of £140; leaving him accountable (out of which 140 0 0

balance his Commission is to be deducted on the above

two sums paid into the Treasury)..... 571 14 4

711 14 4

Carried forward...L.86,227 9 0½

Amount brought forward, L86,227 9 6½

PLAISTER OF PARIS;

WINDSOR—His Account and Returns have been received, and are correct ;
 he has paid the Treasurer, since closing his account.....L4745 15 0
 Has Bonds in his hands for collection..... 7721 16 0

12,467 11 0

COLCHESTER—His Account and Returns have been received, by which
 it appears there has been collected, or secured, and for which he is ac-
 countable, the sum of..... 337 10 0
 No Account, Returns or Remittances, have been received for Impost and
 Excise Duties.

ISLE OF SABLE.

The Commissioner's Accounts to the 31st December last have been received,
 and are correct; there is a balance due him of.....L28 10 3½

LIGHT-HOUSES.

HALIFAX—The Collector's Accounts are correct; he has paid
 the Treasurer the sum of..... 1119 1 5

SHELBURNE—The Collector's quarterly returns have been
 received and are correct; he has paid the Treasurer the sum of.. 44 9 7

LIVERPOOL—His Quarterly Return for December, 1814, has
 been received; the amount paid of..... 11 7 11
 His Returns to the 30th June last, have been received, and the
 amount paid..... 12 9 6

YARMOUTH—His Returns to 31st December last, have been
 received, and the amount paid..... 11 15 6
 The Commissioner's Accounts to the 31st December last, are correct;
 balance due by him, paid into the Treasury, of..... 2,121 6 2

£101,158 16 2½

PROVINCE NOTES.

The following Province Notes have been examined and destroyed :

Issued under the Act of 1812, of—L1 0 0 each 34...is L34 0 0
 2 10 0 35... 87 10 0

Issued under the Act of 1813, being torn and otherwise defaced,
 of.....L1 0 0 each 1,433..1,433 0 0
 2 0 0 304... 608 0 0

The following Notes remaining in circulation the 31st December last :

Act of 1812, of.....L1 0 0 each, 40..... L40
 2 10 0 8..... 20
 L60 0 0

Act of 1813, of.....L1 0 0 each, 10,279...L10,279
 2 0 0 3,211... 6,422

16,709 0 0
£16,769 0 0

16,769 0 0

The committee further report, that it does not appear that any steps have
 been taken to recover the balance due the Province by the late Collector of
 Impost and Excise at the Port of Liverpool.

The committee also report, that the Collector of the Duty upon Plaister of
 Paris at the Port of Windsor, has charged a commission of ten per cent. on
 the money paid into the Treasury by him under the Act imposing a Duty on
 Plaister of Paris.

Committee-Room, Halifax, 20th February, 1816.

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| JOHN BLACK, | } | Committee of His Majesty's Council. |
| BRENTON HALLIBURTON, | | |
| WILLIAM LAWSON, | } | Committee of the House of Assembly. |
| JOHN PRYOR, | | |
| JONATHAN CRANE, | | |
| WILLIAM ALLAN CHIPMAN, | | |
| JOHN WELLS, | | |

Dr. The Province of Nova-Scotia,

1815, Dec. 31.—To the following Sums appropriated, and not yet drawn from the Treasury, viz.

Roads and Bridges, per abstract.....	£1956 17 0
Balance of Vote for Knapsacks.....	250 0 0
for Transportation of Arms.....	115 0 0
Bounty for Seamen.....	350 0 0
Philadelphia Grant.....	33 6 8
Emigrant Vote.....	7 14 7
Douglas Grant.....	50 0 0
Post Communication.....	185 15 0
Extra pay of the Militia, and for the defence of the Province.....	73,151 11 5 1
Province House.....	1500 0 0
Salt Bounty claims, 1810.....	72 15 0
for promoting Vaccination.....	250 0 0

Vote, Light-House on Cranberry Island.....	£77,922 19 8 1/2
Stone Magazine.....	400 0 0
Plan of the Province.....	180 0 0
Stores for Council and House of Assembly.....	30 0 0
Settlers in the East Branch of St. Mary's River.....	30 0 0
Brnar Island, for cutting Wood.....	30 0 0
Joseph Laughey.....	12 0 0
Settlers at Delap's Cove.....	20 0 0
Repairs of Government-House.....	50 0 0
For securing Ammunition, &c.....	509 12 0
	500 0 0

Balance of Notes in circulation the 31st December last, under the Act of the year 1812 - - - - - 79,684 11 8 1/2
 Ditto 1813 - - - - - 60 0 0
 Amount of Arms issued since the 31st December, 1811 - - - - - 16,719 0 0
 Due the Commissioner of the Island of Sable - - - - - 5,635 6 10
 Quarter-Master General, for Transportation of Arms - - - - - 28 10 33
 - - - - - 1 18 9

£102,029 7 7

Contra,

1815, Dec. 31.—By Cash in the hands of the Treasurer	£. 6722 0 8
Ditto Commissioners of the Province House	548 10 0
Ditto for Bounty to Seamen	90 16 8
Ditto due from the Military Chest -	10,000 0 0
Ditto Commissioner for Light-Houses	2121 6 2
By securities in the hands of the Collector of Impost and Excise, Halifax	£71,526 14 7
Deduct probable Drawbacks	17,526 14 7
	64,000 0 0

Securities in the hands of the Out-Port Collectors, viz.	
Lunenburg	£ 453 19 8 1/2
Shelburne	867 7 6 1/2
Liverpool former Collector	2267 17 7 1/2
Ditto present ditto	1778 0 9 1/2
Yarmouth	740 10 3
Annapolis	802 7 6
Windsor	242 6 8
King's County	114 9 5
Pictou	711 14 4

Deduct probable Drawbacks	£7978 13 9 1/2	5,000 0 0
By paid and secured, on account of Plaister of Paris, by the Collector of Windsor, Colchester,	£. 12,467 11 0	
Ditto	337 10 0	
Deduct probable Drawbacks	12,805 1 0	
	976 0 0	

By balance - - - - - 11,829 1 0
Committee-Room, Halifax, 20th February, 1816.
 JOHN BLACK, } *Committee of His Majesty's Council.*
 BRENTON HALLIBURTON, }
 WILLIAM LAWSON, }
 JOHN PRYOR, } *Committee of the House of Assembly.*
 JONATHAN CRANE, }
 WILLIAM ADLAN CHIPMAN, }
 JOHN WELLS, }

£. 102,429 7 7

Abstract of Sums remaining undrawn the 31st December, 1815, on account of Roads and Bridges :		
Vote, 1813—Horne's to Hawkins's Point		L.25 0 0
Gut of Annapolis	-	10 0 0
Balance, King's County to New Canaan	-	10 0 0
1814—Cole Harbour to the Eastern Battery	-	25 0 0
Balance, Musquodoboit, by way of Chizencook	-	15 0 0
Brinley's Farm to Preston	-	22 3 6
Contingent Vote	L.434 0 0	
1815—Additional	ditto	140 0 0
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		574 0 0
From the Forks to Margaret's Bay	-	80 0 0
John Hemlow's to the head of the Tide	-	70 0 0
Black Rock Road to Shubenacadie	-	50 0 0
George Thomson's to Beaver Bank	-	50 0 0
Middle River to Sewack Settlement	-	20 0 0
Marshall's to Old M'Donald's	-	25 0 0
Bloody Creek to Corbet's Farm	-	75 0 0
Round Hill to Annapolis	-	25 0 0
Falmouth to Knowles's	-	10 0 0
Cape Negro Harbour to Shelburne	-	60 0 0
Balance, Windsor Road to Keys's	-	400 0 0
Leading Road to Guysborough	-	112 5 0
Cole Harbour to Lawrence Town	-	15 0 0
To the Chiganoise River	-	100 0 0
To Young's Cove	-	35 0 0
Douglas Church to Nine Mile River	-	17 10 0
Bear River to Vetzter's Farm	-	110 18 6
To Daniel Tid's	-	20 0 0
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		L.1,956 17 0

Committee-Room, Halifax, 20th February, 1816,

JOHN BLACK,	} <i>Committee of His Majesty's Council.</i>
BRENTON HALIBURTON,	
WILLIAM LAWSON,	} <i>Committee of the House of Assembly.</i>
JOHN PRYOR,	
JONATHAN CRANE,	
WM. ALLAN CHIPMAN,	
JOHN WELLS.	

Ordered, That the said Report, Account and Abstract, do lie on the table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

On motion, *Ordered,* that the Petition of David Dundas, and also the Petition of Alexander Mitchell, be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The Order of the Day being read,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pool took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same : which report the House agreed to.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the resolution of this House for granting the Sum of Twenty-five Thousand Pounds for the service of Roads and Bridges.

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled, an Act to continue, alter and amend, an Act, passed in the 48th year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, an Act for the Summary Trial of Actions.

The Council have not agreed to the amendments made by this House, to to the Bill, entitled, an Act to explain the Acts concerning Marriage and Divorce, passed in the 32d year of his present Majesty's Reign, but adhere to their Bill, as sent down for concurrence.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, That the sum of Five Thousand Pounds, part of the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Pounds granted for Roads and Bridges, be appropriated for the Great Roads, to be expended under Supervisors.

On motion, *resolved*, That a committee be appointed for the purpose of reporting to the House a scale for the division of the remaining sum of Twenty Thousand Pounds, for the repair of Roads and Bridges within the several Counties and Districts.

Ordered, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Halliburton, Mr. Wells, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Parker, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Pool, Mr. Baker, and Mr. Bishop, be a committee for the above purpose.

Mr. Bishop reported from the Committee appointed to examine into the Account of Expenditure by the several Supervisors on the Great Roads: and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

That the committee have examined the Accounts of the several Supervisors, and are of opinion, that William Smith, Esq. Supervisor of one part of the road leading to Windsor, in the year 1815, has made very improper charges relative to Men of Colour, employed under him, as appears by a certain written Contract entered into with them, and which Contract is before the House, and from which the committee are fearful other improper charges may also have been made. The committee also find that the sum of £30 9 5 is charged for Liquor supplied to the Men, and £1 5 0 for the carriage of their Baggage to the place where employed, likewise the sum of £4 for the attendance of the Supervisor on the House of Assembly in the last Session, by the order of the House. It also appears to the committee that the said Supervisor has charged the sum of £125 15 0 as his commissions on the money expended by him in the last year. Supervisor Terence Cochran: His accounts appear correctly added. But the committee are informed that his Son was employed as an Overseer; and as he was only in his Eighteenth year, the committee think it highly improper that a Boy of that age should have

have had the command of Men, while expending Public Money, and therefore submit the same to the consideration of the House. It also appears to the committee, that there are several Contracts for expending large Sums of Money, for which there are no Vouchers. The committee are also of opinion that the greater part of the Money laid out by the Supervisor between the Ardoise Hill and the Avon Bridge was expended on the dry gravelly part of the Road least wanting repair, while the Road most requiring repair was neglected. That the Monies expended by the Supervisor appear to amount to 1051l. 18s. 8d.

James Keys, a Supervisor of the Cobequid Road : It appears by his accounts that he has charged Government with the Sum of 1032l. 16s. 3d. expended in the year 1815. That he commenced working on the 16th June, and ended on the 27th November following ; making 141 working days, for each of which days he has charged 15s. amounting in the whole to 1051. 18s. The committee find no error in the account of the said Supervisor as stated by him.

George Mackay, a Supervisor as abovementioned : Charges for the expenditure of the Sum of 999l. 11s. 5½d. in the year 1815. His accounts appear to be correct, and are attested to before Edward Mortimer, Esq.

The committee further state that none of the Supervisor's Accounts are attested to, excepting George Mackay's.

The Committee also report that they find the amount charged by the four Supervisors, and for the extra pay of Overseers to be 468l. 18s. 6d. exceeding the usual allowance of Commissioners for expending the same Sums under Commissioners by 242l. 9s. 3d.

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

On motion, *resolved,* That the Clerk do immediately summon William Smith, and Terence Cochran, Supervisors of the Windsor Road, and James Keys, Supervisor of the Cobequid Road, to attend at the Bar of the House without delay.

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

Wednesday, 21st February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A petition of Samuel Chandler and others, Inhabitants of the Settlements of Tatamagushe and Wentworth, was presented by Mr. Flemming, and read, praying an aid to open and improve a road from the forks of Remsieg River to Tatamagushe.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the table.

The Order of the Day being read,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of His Excellency's Message of the 14th instant, on the subject of Judge Monk's Memorial.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Purdy took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had gone through the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to two resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House: and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, were they were read, and are as follows:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that it is expedient to provide for the retirement of Judge Monk, agreeably to the prayer of his petition to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that it should be recommended to the House to grant an Annual allowance of four hundred pounds for the honorable support of G. H. Monk, one of the Assistant Justices of His Majesty's Supreme Court, during his natural life, upon his retiring from office.

The said Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

Mr. Lawson moved, that the first Resolution be not received by the House—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, five; against it, nineteen.

For the Motion:

Mr. Manning,
Mr. Lawson,
Mr. Baker,
Mr. Dimock,
Mr. Pool.

Against the motion:

<i>Mr. Parker,</i>	<i>Mr. Mortimer,</i>	<i>Mr. Freeman,</i>
<i>Mr. Bishop,</i>	<i>Mr. Pyke,</i>	<i>Mr. Crane,</i>
<i>Mr. Warwick,</i>	<i>Mr. Chipman,</i>	<i>Mr. Dewolf,</i>
<i>Mr. Flemming,</i>	<i>Mr. Haliburton,</i>	<i>Mr. Kent,</i>
<i>Mr. Marsters,</i>	<i>Mr. Archibald,</i>	<i>Mr. Shaw.</i>
<i>Mr. Barsz,</i>	<i>Mr. Ritchie,</i>	
<i>Mr. Wells,</i>	<i>Mr. Solicitor-Genl.</i>	

So it passed in the negative.

The said Resolutions were then severally put to the House, and agreed to.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pyke took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

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

Thursday,

Thursday, 22d February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A petition of John Baird and others, Inhabitants of Onslow and Londonderry, was presented by Mr. Marsters, and read.

Ordered, That the petition do lie on the Table.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to two resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow :

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the duty on Rum distilled within the Province, should be Nine Pence per Gallon, in lieu of Ten Pence imposed last year.

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

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Ways and Means : which report the House agreed to.

The said resolutions were read throughout a first and second time : and thereupon, Mr. Chipman moved, that the first resolution be not agreed to by the House : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared—for the motion, eight : against it, sixteen.

So it passed in the negative.

The resolutions were then severally put to the House, and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Pryor, *resolved*, That this House will, on Saturday, the 24th instant, take into consideration the several Private Petitions now before the House.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pool took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had deferred the consideration of the Bill to regulate Jails and Jailors. That the committee had
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gone through the engrossed Bill from the Council in addition to the Act for punishing Criminal Offenders. Also, the Bill for establishing and founding an Academy as Picou. And also, a Bill, to continue an Act for encouraging the establishment of Schools throughout the Province : and that the committee had directed him to report the said Bills severally without any amendments ; and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's table.

Ordered, That the engrossed Bill from the Council be read a third time.

Ordered, That the several other Bills, as reported from the committee, be engrossed.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred : and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply : which report the House agreed to.

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

Friday, 23d February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill, from the Council, entitled, An Act in addition to the Act for punishing Criminal Offenders, was read a third time.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any amendment.

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

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of the Reign of His present Majesty, entitled, An Act for encouraging the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province.

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

On motion, the report of the Committee of Conference with the Council on the 17th instant, on the subject of making a Survey of the Roads, was read by the Clerk, and thereupon,

On motion, *resolved*, That it is the opinion of this House, that, at the present period, it will not be expedient to employ Mr. Gill to make a Survey of the Great Roads through the Province.

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On motion, *resolved*, that the sum of Money granted for Roads and Bridges for the present year, be divided among the Counties and Districts according to the scale of division agreed upon the last year, and that the committee appointed on the 20th inst. on the said subject be discharged.

Mr. Cogswell acquainted the House, that he had a Message from his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, signed by his Excellency, and he presented the said Message to the House.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows :

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

THE Treasurer of the Province having represented to me, that much additional trouble has devolved upon him, in issuing, calling in, and paying the Treasury Notes that have been in circulation, for which he has received no remuneration, and that he conceives himself justly entitled to a reasonable compensation for these services ; I think it right to lay a copy of Mr. Wallace's letter to me on this subject before you, and to recommend its contents to the favorable consideration of the Legislature.

I have reason to believe, that this will be the only remaining expense attending the transaction in question, as by a communication I have received from the Commissioners for issuing Treasury Notes, (a copy of which is likewise hereunto annexed), I find those Gentlemen have performed the duty which devolved upon them gratuitously, and that they, from motives most honorable to themselves, decline accepting any remuneration for the services rendered by them to the Public on this occasion.

J. C. SHERBROOKE.

Mr. Cogswell also delivered to the House, a copy of the Treasurer's Letter, and also a copy of a Letter from John Black and James Foreman, Esquires, Commissioners for issuing Treasurer's Notes, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, referred to in the foregoing Message, and the same were read by the Clerk : and thereupon,

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of the Reign of His present Majesty, entitled, An Act for encouraging the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Lawton delivered to the House, a report of the Auditor of Public Accounts, upon the expenditure of Monies granted for making and repairing of Roads and Bridges throughout the Province, in the year 1815, and the same was read by the Clerk; and thereupon,

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

On motion of Mr. Mortimer, *resolved*, That a committee be appointed to report to the House the expediency of extending the communication by Post throughout the Province.

Ordered, That Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Freeman, and Mr. Warwick, be a committee for the above purpose.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow :

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that an annuity of Four Hundred Pounds should be granted to George Henry Monk, Esq. one of the Assistant Justices of His Majesty's Supreme Court, during his natural life, upon his retiring from office, agreeably to his application to the Legislature.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of Three Thousand Pounds should be granted for the purpose of enabling such of the Indigent Settlers of the Province to procure Seed Grain as have had their harvest destroyed in the last Season by wet weather and mice.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of Six Hundred Pounds should be granted for the support of the Transient Poor for the present year, to be paid to the Commissioners of the Poor at Halifax.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of Five Hundred Pounds should be granted to the Treasurer of the Province, in full for his services, in signing and issuing Treasury Notes, and for receiving into the Treasury such Notes as are now in circulation.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of Five Hundred Pounds should be granted for the relief of distressed Emigrant Settlers at Pictou, to be disposed of under the direction of his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply : which report the House agreed to.

The said Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time ; and upon the question, severally put thereupon ; agreed to by the House.

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

Saturday, 24th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Ritchie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to encourage the fitting out of vessels for carrying on the Bank and Cod Fisheries ; and the same was read a first time.

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

Resolved, That the Bills be read a second time.

A Bill in amendment of the Acts for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, Bridges, &c. was read a second time.

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

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill, in amendment of an Act, to enable creditors to receive their just Debts out of the effects of their absent or absconding Debtors ; and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Order of the Day being read,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several private Petitions now before the House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

Mr. James Keys, one of the Supervisors of the Cobeguid Road, pursuant to order, attended at the Bar of the House, and was examined relative to his accounts ; and thereupon,

Ordered,

Ordered, That Mr. Keys have leave to return to his Home.

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

Monday, 26th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

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

A Bill to encourage the fitting out of Vessels for carrying on the Bank and Cod Fisheries ; and also,

A Bill in amendment of an Act to enable Creditors to receive their just Debts out of the Effects of absent or absconding Debtors, were severally read a second time.

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

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, That this House will attend the Funeral of the late Right Reverend and Honorable the Bishop of Nova-Scotia, on Thursday next at one of the clock.

A petition of W. F. Bonnell and others, Inhabitants of the County of Annapolis, concerned in the navigation of the Bay of Fundy, was presented by Mr. Shaw, and read, praying that a sum of four hundred pounds may be granted for building a Light-House on Rogers' Point (so called) at the entrance of the Gut of Annapolis, in aid of what may be raised by subscription for the said service.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the table.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of private Petitions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House: and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's table, where they were read, and are as follow :

The petition of the Reverend William Weeks, was read and considered; and thereupon,

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the petition should be dismissed.

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The Petition of Thomas Thomson was read and considered ; and thereupon, *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee that the Petition should be dismissed.

The Petition of Clarke Sanford, and Encom Sanford, Jun. was read and considered ; and thereupon,

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Collector of Impost and Excise for the County of Hants should be authorised to remit the Duty secured by the Petitioners on a certain cargo of Plaister of Paris shipped by them on board the Schooner Sally and Ann, at Windsor, for Passamaquoddie, and which Plaister was totally lost, together with the said vessel, at the entrance of the Harbour of St. John, New-Brunswick, on the third of December last.

The Petition of Walter Bromley ; the Petition of Samuel Pool ; the Petition of John Baker ; the Petition of William Davison ; the Petition of John Black ; the Petition of James N. Crane ; the Petition of John Owen ; the Petition of Gamaliel Stewart and others ; the Petition of John Walker and others ; and also the Petition of Henry Green and John Graham, were severally read and considered ; and thereupon,

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

The Petition of James N. Shannon & Co. ; the Petition of John H. Fleiger ; the Petition of William Bruce Almon ; and also the Petition of Thomas Davison and William Corbit—were severally read and considered ; and thereupon,

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the said Petitions should be severally referred to a committee to be appointed by the House, to examine into the merits of the same, and report thereon.

The Petition of Joseph Langley was read and considered ; and thereupon,

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of twenty pounds, granted to the Petitioner in the year 1813, on condition that the said Petitioner should remain on the road from Musquodoboit to Guysborough for the term of four years, and that he do find security that he would so remain on said road, should be paid to him without his being obliged to give such security, he having resided there three years.

The Petition of John Hutchinson was read and considered ; and thereupon,

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Treasurer should be authorised to pay to the Petitioner the sum of fifty pounds, being the balance of two hundred pounds granted for the road between Windsor and Chester in the last year.

The chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply : which report the House agreed to.

The said Resolutions were read throughout a first and second time ; and upon the question, severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Petition of James N. Shannon & Co. and also the Petition of J. H. Fleiger, be referred to Mr. Allison, Mr. Marshall, and Mr. Chipman, agreeably to the report of the committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That the Petition of Thomas Davison and William Corbit, be referred to Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Baker, and Mr. Wells, agreeably to the report of the committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That the Petition of William Bruce Almon, be referred to Mr. Pryor, Mr. Chipman, and Mr. Solicitor-General, agreeably to the report of the committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the resolution in favor of Clarke Sanford and Encom Sanford, jun. ; also, the resolution in favor of John Hutchinson ; and also the resolution in favor of Joseph Langley—to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Ordered, That the several Petitions as recommended by the committee of the whole House to be referred to the committee of Supply, be referred to the said committee accordingly.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply : which report the House agreed to.

Mr. Terence Cochran, the Supervisor for the western part of the Windsor Road, pursuant to Order, attended at the Bar of the House, and was examined relative to his accounts ; and thereupon,

Ordered, That Mr. Cochran have leave to return to his home.

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

Tuesday, 27th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, *resolved*, That the committee appointed to report on the Supervisors' accounts, and who have in some measure implicated William Smith, Esq. one of the Supervisors, do reconsider the business to them referred, and should they find it necessary, prefer specific Charges against the said Smith.

Mr.

Mr. Solicitor-General delivered to the House, an Abstract of the Expenditures for the Government-House by the Commissioner in the last year, amounting to 474l. 17s. 11d.

Ordered, That the Abstract do lie on the Table.

Mr. Lawson delivered to the House, an Account of Expenditures by the Commissioners for completing the Light-House on Coffin's Island at Liverpool, dated 13th February, 1816, amounting to 425l. 1s. 8d.

Ordered, That the account do lie on the Table.

Mr. Mortimer reported from the committee on the subject of extending the communication by Post throughout the Province; which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

That in addition to a continuance of the grant of the last year of four hundred and fifty pounds for the said Service, the committee recommend a further sum of four hundred and fifty pounds to be granted this Session, and to be applied as follows:

For conveying a Mail from Halifax to Liverpool, <i>via</i> Lunenburg	£ 100 0 0
For Ditto from Pictou to Antigonishe in the County of Sydney	50 0 0
For enabling the Contractors with the Post-Office to convey the Mail from Halifax to Annapolis and Digby, and from Halifax to Pictou, weekly, in a four-wheeled carriage, for the convenience of Passengers; the Fares to be regulated by the Assembly	300 0 0
	£ 450 0 0

Ordered, That the report do lie on the Table.

Mr. Mortimer reported from the committee to whom the Petition of Thomas Davison and William Corbit was referred, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read; and thereupon,

Resolved, That the Petition and Report be referred to the Committee of Supply.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a conference by committee, on the subject of the resolution of this House for granting the Sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, for Erecting a Bridge over the Cornwallis River.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Resolved,

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

Ordered, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Crane, and Mr. Wells do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference ;

And being returned,

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the resolution of this House for granting the sum of 1500l. for Erecting a Bridge over Cornwallis River.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same : which report the House agreed to.

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

Wednesday, 28th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Solicitor-General, *resolved*, That a committee be appointed to report facts to this House as respects the propriety or impropriety of Paving Water-street in the Town of Halifax.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor-General, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Allison, Mr. Kent, and Mr. Chipman, be a committee for the above purpose.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pyke took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress

progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the resolutions in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow :

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of one hundred and forty pounds, should be granted in aid of the subscription of the Inhabitants of Windsor and Falmouth, for reducing the Falls over the main branch of the River Avon ; the said sum not to be drawn from the Treasury until the money subscribed shall be actually paid to the Commissioner or Commissioners who shall be appointed to expend the same.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of eighty pounds should be granted, for removing obstructions to the navigation of Rafts and Boats in the River Musquodoboit.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of two hundred pounds should be granted and paid to Walter Bromley, the Keeper of the Acadian School, as a compensation for his unwearied exertions in founding and effectually establishing that School in this Province.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of fifteen pounds four shillings and six pence, should be granted and paid to James N. Crane, for a Drawback of the Excise Duty on a certain quantity of British Merchandise exported to New-Brunswick in the Schooner Brothers, George Wilkins, master, in December last.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of forty-three pounds sixteen shillings and eleven pence half-penny, should be granted and paid to John Owen for a Drawback of the Duties on four hundred and ten gallons of Brandy exported to New-Brunswick in the sloop May-Flower in April, 1814.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of fifty pounds should be granted and paid to John Graham and Henry Green, for opening and completely effecting a communication between Lake Porter and the Sea, through which Vessels of Fifty Tons now pass into the Lake : not to be paid until the above-named John Graham should relinquish to the Public all right both in himself and his heirs, to shut up or obstruct the communication.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of forty pounds ten shillings and seven pence should be granted and paid to John Black, in behalf of Baring, Brothers and Co. of London : being the amount of the Sunk Duty secured by him on a certain quantity of Coffee landed at Halifax from on board the Brig William, a re-capture, in Dec. 1814, and afterwards shipped in the Schooner Jannet, for Greenock, and there landed.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of ten pounds five shillings, should be granted and paid to John Baker, for repairing the Bridge over the Annapolis River, near Dodge's, in the year 1815.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee that the sum of sixteen pounds

pounds thirteen shillings and four pence, should be granted and paid to Samuel Pool, for his services as Master of the Grammar School at Yarmouth, between the 25th February and the 24th April, 1815.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of twenty-two pounds, should be granted and paid to William Davison, being a balance due him for the repair of one mile of the great road leading to Truro in the year 1810, under a contract with Thomas Wallace, the Commissioner for the said road.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of nine pounds sixteen shillings, should be granted and paid to John Hutchinson, for repairing Bridges on the Chester Road between Windsor and Chester, and for providing Gunpowder and Tools for said Road in the month of September, 1815, per account.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply : which report the House agreed to.

The said resolutions were read throughout a first and second time : and, upon the question, severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing resolutions, and also the several resolutions which passed the House on Friday the 23d instant, for granting Monies, to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Mr. Freeman, pursuant to leave given, presented a Petition of Robert Bolman, and the same was read, praying a compensation for his services in prosecuting a Criminal at the Court of Sessions at Liverpool, in November last.

Mr. Solicitor-General, pursuant to leave given, presented a Petition of Raymond La Liberté, and the same was read, praying a Drawback of the Excise Duty on certain articles of Merchandise exported by him to Baltimore, in May last, amounting to 19l. 2s.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Marshall, Mr. Shaw, and Mr. Pryor, who are to examine into the merits of the same, and report thereon to the House.

Mr. Shaw, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in amendment of the Attachment Law ; and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to eleven resolutions of this House for granting the following sums :

600l. for the support of the Transient Poor.

500l. to the Treasurer of the Province.

500l.

500l. for distressed Emigrant Settlers at Picou.

200l. to Walter Bromley.

10l. 5s. to John Baker.

40l. 10s. 7d. to John Black.

16l. 13s. 4d. to Samuel Pool.

9l. 16s. to John Hutchinson.

20l. to John Langley.

50l. to John Hutchinson.

400l. per annum to Judge Monk.

The Council have also agreed to the resolution of this House in favor of Clarke Sanford and Encom Sanford, junr.

The Council have not agreed to the resolution of this House for granting the sum of 22l. to William Davison.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Bishop reported from the committee on the Supervisors' Accounts, that having, pursuant to the Order of the House of yesterday, reconsidered the subject to them referred, the committee had drawn up certain specific Charges against William Smith, Esq. Supervisor for the Windsor Road from Sackville to the western end of the Ardoise Hill; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where the said Charges were again read by the Clerk, and are as follow, Viz.—

FIRST—That he contracted with Labourers to work on the Road before-mentioned at nine dollars per month each, and did actually employ them thereon for the space of four months or thereabouts, and in his account against the Province he has charged, and retained of the Public money, five shillings per day for each Labourer.

SECOND—That he contracted with various Labourers to work on the same road, and engaged to pay them at the rate of nine dollars per month each, and to find them Provisions, and did collude with one Richard Smith, and one William Singer, two of the Overseers on the same road, and did agree to pay and did pay Richard Smith and William Singer, a larger sum of Money for Provisions for the Labourers than the same were reasonably worth, and for which the same supplies might and could have been furnished by other persons.

THIRD—That he contracted with Labourers to work on the road, and engaged to pay them at the rate of nine dollars each per month, and to furnish provisions: that, for the labour of the said persons and their provisions, he has charged in his account, and retained, at the rate of five shillings per day for each labourer, when the sum agreed to be paid them, and the expence of the provisions, did not amount to the sum so charged and retained. By reason of all which the Province is defrauded of large sums of money.

FOURTH—

FOURTH—That he has in his account charged and retained the sum of thirty pounds nine shillings and five pence for Liquor supplied the men employed on the road; and also the sum of one pound five shillings for the carriage of Labourers' baggage; and also the sum of four pounds for his attendance on the House of Assembly the last year, although not authorised to do by the Statute made for the governing and directing of Supervisors.

FIFTH—That he has charged in his account, and retained, the sum of one hundred and twenty pounds fifteen shillings for his services as a Supervisor between the 12th April and 11th October last, being an overcharge of twenty pounds fifteen shillings, in direct violation of the statute beforementioned.

SIXTH—That he has charged in his account, and retained, the sum of thirty-three pounds five shillings for one hundred and thirty-three days use of a Horse at five shillings per day, which Horse was used by him for his own convenience.

SEVENTH—That he has charged in his account, and retained, the sum of five pounds for his services and use of a Horse, in examining the road and other services after the Men employed on the road were discharged.

EIGHTH—That he did employ on the road for eighty days more than thirty Labourers each day, in direct violation of the Statute beforementioned.

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Wells took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to encourage the raising of Bread Corn, and the clearing of New Land; and also the Bill to encourage the fitting out of Vessels for carrying on the Bank and Cod Fisheries: and that the committee had directed him to report the said Bills severally without any amendment; and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's table.

The chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed: which report the House agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, *resolved,* That this House will, on Saturday next, proceed to the investigation of the Charges preferred against William Smith, Esq. a Supervisor for the Windsor Road, and that the said Smith be served with a copy of this Resolution, also with a copy of the Charges if required by him.

On motion of Mr. Shaw, *Ordered*, That Mr. John Albro, Jacob Pence and Richard Lacey, do attend at the Bar of the House on Saturday next, as Witnesses, and that the Clerk do summon the said Persons to attend accordingly.

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

Thursday, 29th February, 1816.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to enable certain persons therein named, to erect a Draw Bridge across the Liverpool River in the Town of Liverpool; and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Bill in amendment of the Attachment Law, was read a second time.

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

Mr. Pryor reported from the committee to whom the Petition of William Bruce Almon was referred, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

That it appears to the committee, that, owing to the introduction of great numbers of Black People from the Chesapeake, many of whom were labouring under loathsome diseases, it became absolutely necessary, from the duties of humanity, that a Physician should be employed to attend those unfortunate persons, and that the petitioner was appointed by the Commissioners of the Poor to perform that service. That the Commissioners of the Poor have satisfied the committee, that Doctor Almon performed the services stated by him in his petition, and attended the patients mentioned in it with great care and assiduity, and that those services were, from the nature of the diseases, particularly unpleasant and even disgusting, and the committee therefore recommend that the prayer of the petition should be granted.

Ordered, That the said report and the petition be referred to the committee of Supply.

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

Friday, 1st March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to enable certain persons therein named, to erect a Draw Bridge across the Liverpool River in the Town of Liverpool, was read a second time.

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

A Petition of James Foreman and others, Magistrates of the County of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Pyke, and read, setting forth: that the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax experience much injustice from Butchers and others forestalling and regrating the Markets, and praying the House would take the same into consideration, and pass such an Act as to them may seem fit, to remedy the evil complained of:

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the table.

A Bill to encourage the raising of Bread Corn, and the clearing of New Land, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn, and the clearing of New Land.

A Bill to encourage the fitting out of Vessels for carrying on the Bank and Cod Fisheries, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to encourage the fitting out of Vessels in this Province for carrying on the Bank and Cod Fisheries.

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

On motion of Mr. Haliburton, *ordered*, That the petition of James Foreman and others, be referred to Mr. Pryor, Mr. Haliburton, and Mr. Pyke, and that they do prepare and bring in a Bill agreeably to the prayer of the same.

A Bill for founding and establishing an Academy at Pictou, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Mr. Archibald moved, that an enacting clause be added to the said Bill, in the words following, *Vizt* :

And be it further enacted, That when and so often as any vacancy shall occur, by the death, or removal from office, of any of the persons appointed Trustees as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for the persons so incorporated, upon such reasonable notice as to them shall seem meet, to elect and choose such other person or persons as they may judge proper to fill the places so vacant as aforesaid. *Provided always*, That the person or persons so elected and chosen as aforesaid, shall not be competent to the execution of the said office until the assent of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, shall be given in writing to such appointment:— which, being seconded and put, passed in the affirmative, and thereupon the said clause was inserted in the said Bill accordingly, and, after being thrice read, was agreed to by the House.

Mr. Ritchie then moved, that the said Bill do not pass—which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seven; against it, seventeen:

For the Motion :

Mr. Ritchie,
 Mr. Purdy,
 Mr. Pyke,
 Mr. Warwick,
 Mr. Haliburton,
 Mr. Wiswall,
 Mr. Harris.

Against the motion :

Mr. Flemming,	Mr. Freeman,
Mr. Barss,	Mr. Pool,
Mr. Solicitor-Genl.	Mr. Mortimer,
Mr. Archibald,	Mr. Baker,
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Bishop,
Mr. Kent,	Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Allison,	Mr. Dimock,
Mr. Marsters,	Mr. Chipman,
Mr. Wells,	

So it passed in the negative.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for founding, establishing and maintaining, an Academy at Pictou.

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same : which report the House agreed to.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

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

140*l.* for reducing the Falls of the River Avon.

80*l.* for removing obstructions to the Navigation of the River Musquodoboit.

15*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.* to James N. Crane.

43*l.* 16*s.* 11*d.* to John Owen.

The Council request a conference by committee, on the resolution of this House for granting the Sum of Three Thousand Pounds for the purchase of Seed Grain ; also, on the resolution in favor of Henry Green and John Graham.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Chipman, Mr. Haliburton, and Mr. Mortimer, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference ;

And being returned,

Mr. Chipman reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House : and thereupon,

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On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the Report of the Conference with the Council.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Marsters took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had gone through the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to a resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where the same was read, and is as follows :

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that it should be recommended to the House to instruct the committee to state on a further conference, to be held with His Majesty's Council, that the sum of Three Thousand Pounds granted for the purchase of Seed Grain be distributed as follows :

District of Picou	£450
Colchester	300
Cumberland	275
Sydney	300
Halifax	200
Hants	325
King's	275
Annapolis	375
Shelburne	200
Lunenburg	150
Queen's	150

—£3000.

And that it be further proposed, that the said several sums of money should be expended by a Commissioner or Commissioners to be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in each County and District, in importing or purchasing Seeds of various kinds for the distressed Inhabitants of the Country, and distributing the same among them; or to pay in money small sums to such persons as they may think fit of objects.

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

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the subject of Light-Houses on the Coast of the Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Marsters took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

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Mr. Solicitor-General, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in amendment of the Act for ascertaining the Standard Size of Bricks, &c. and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

Saturday, 2d March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A Bill in amendment of the Act for ascertaining the Standard Size of Bricks, &c. was read a second time.

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply : which report the House agreed to.

The Order of the Day being read,

William Smith, Supervisor of the Windsor Road, pursuant to Order, appeared at the Bar of the House, and the Charges preferred by the committee against him, were read by the Clerk, and the said Smith heard in answer to the same.

Jacob Pence also appeared at the Bar of the House, pursuant to Order, and was examined as a witness in support of the Charges against the said Smith ; and Mr. John Albro having likewise appeared at the Bar, and being heard by the House touching the same ; thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Ritchie, *resolved*, That this House will, on Thursday next, the 7th instant, proceed to the further consideration of the Charges exhibited against William Smith ; and that the Clerk do summon one Richard Lacey to attend this House as a witness on that day.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to encourage the raising of Bread Corn, and the clearing of New Land ; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to encourage the fitting out of Vessels in this Province for carrying on the Bank and Cod Fisheries.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Pryor reported from the committee to whom the Petition of James Foreman and others, was referred, and accordingly presented a Bill, in amendment of an Act against Forefallers and Regrators, and the said Bill was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

Monday, 4th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A petition of Aaron Bishop and others, Inhabitants of the County of Cumberland and King's County, was presented by Mr. Roach, and read, praying an aid for the new Road leading from Furlong's, at Macan, to Oxley's, near the River Philip, in the County of Cumberland.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the table.

A Bill in amendment of an Act against Forefallers and Regrators, was read a second time.

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

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, That a conference be requested with the Council, by committee, on the subject of the Bill concerning Marriage and Divorce, and that the Clerk do request the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Archibald, Mr. Solicitor-General, and Mr. Haliburton, do manage the conference.

Mr. Allison reported from the committee to whom the Petition of John H. Fleiger, and also the Petition of James Noble Shannon and Co. were referred, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

That the committee having examined into the matters contained in the petition of J. H. Fleiger find that, in addition to the sum of 200l. which has for some years past been annually allowed to the petitioner as Gauger and Weigher for the Port of Halifax, he is entitled to be paid for all casks of liquors of the following descriptions, where the number of such casks by him gauged at any one time or place shall not exceed ten, at the following rates— For each and every puncheon or pipe, six pence; for each hoghead or tierce, four pence; for each barrel, two pence, and for other casks in proportion; the same to be paid by the seller thereof; and where the number of such casks gauged by him as aforesaid shall exceed ten, at the rates following— For every puncheon, three pence; for every hoghead or tierce, two pence; and for every barrel, one penny. That it appears to the committee, from an account received from the Collector of Impost and Excise for the Port of Halifax, that there were imported into the said Port in the year 1814,

8,257 puncheons of rum, 1,879 pipes, 690 hogheads, and 575 quarter-casks of wine, and 4,649 hogheads of molasses; and there were imported as aforesaid in the last year, 5,789 puncheons of rum, 702 pipes, 381 hogheads, and 715 quarter-casks of wine, and 1,479 hogheads of molasses. Upon all of which casks, for the gauging thereof, the said J. H. Fleiger was entitled to be paid according to the several rates before specified. That it does not appear to the committee, that the said J. H. Fleiger is entitled to, or receives, any sum whatever for his services as Weigher.

The committee further report, that upon examination of persons and documents relative to the claim of James N. Shannon & Co. they are satisfied of the equity of such claim, and recommend that the sum of eleven pounds thirteen shillings and four pence, be granted to them, being the amount of the Drawback on three hundred and fifty gallons of rum, which quantity it appears they had on hand at the time stated in their petition.

Ordered, That the report do lie on the Table.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to enable certain persons therein named, to erect a Draw Bridge across the Liverpool River in the Town of Liverpool: and that they had directed him to report the said Bill without any amendment; and he afterwards delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's table.

The chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills to them referred: which report the House agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

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

Tuesday, 5th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that he was directed by the committee

committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed: which report the House agreed to.

Mr. Solicitor-General reported from the committee, on the subject of Paving Water-Street: and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

That, from the best information the committee have been able to obtain, as well from the Commissioners of the Highways as from others, it appears to be the desire of the greatest part, if not all persons possessing property in Water-street, that the same should be paved.

That the committee further report, that from the narrowness of that street, in many places, it will be necessary, in order to make the proposed improvements, that all porches, cellar doors, steps, and every other obstruction, should be effectually removed, so that the middle of the street, should be of a sufficient breadth for the passing and repassing of horses and carriages, and that a sufficient space should be allowed on each side of the street for the passing of persons on foot. That the committee are of opinion, that the paved part of the street should be of the breadth of forty feet, wherever the wideness of the street will admit, and the passage for persons on foot on each side the street, should be four feet wide.

That it is the opinion of the committee, the Commissioners of the Highways have sufficient authority under the Statute of the 4th George III. chapter 5th, to cause all the aforesaid obstructions to be immediately removed, but to prevent any doubt on that subject, it might be expedient to enact a Law similar to the 7th section of that Statute, which should be published for a reasonable time before its being carried into effect.

That the committee are of opinion, that the foot way should be made either of brick, or of hewn stones, and that the expense of making it should be borne by the proprietors of the lands it adjoins.

The committee is also of opinion, that it will be difficult to keep this street clean, and to prevent the drains being choaked up, unless the Laws made for keeping the street clean are enforced, as, owing to the situation of the town on the side of the hill, dirt and rubbish of every description, which are thrown out in the upper streets, are washed into Water-street every time a great rain or thaw takes place, which perhaps, as much as any other cause, contributes to the present state of that street.

That if it shall be deemed advisable to proceed in paving the street, it would be proper to commence at the Market Slip, and to proceed both in a south and north direction, so that each end of the town might have an equal share of the expected advantage.

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

The Clerk reported that the Council had agreed to a Conference, by Committee, on the subject matter of the Bill concerning Marriage and Divorce, agreeably to the resolution of yesterday,

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Managers do attend at the conference.

And the Names of the Managers were called over, and they went to the conference accordingly ;

And being returned,

Mr. Archibald reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House accordingly.

On motion, *resolved*, that this House will, to-morrow, take into consideration the several Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, and also the Report of the committee of this House, on the subject of Paving Water-Street, in the Town of Halifax.

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

Wednesday, 6th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to leave given Mr. Kent presented a petition of William Polluck, and the same was read, praying for a remission of the duty on a quantity of Plaster of Paris, shipped by him in the Schooner Sally, which article, together with the said vessel, was totally lost in the Bay of Passamaquoddie, in the month of December last.

Ordered, That the petition be referred to the committee of Supply.

The Order of the Day being read,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of His Excellency's Messages, and the Report of the Committee, on the subject of Paving Water-Street.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to a resolution thereupon, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that it is expedient to appoint a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill to authorize the Inhabitants of Halifax to provide for the Paving of Water-Street.

The chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same : which report the House agreed to.

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

Ordered,

Ordered, That Mr. Pyke, Mr. Pryor and Mr. Lawton, do prepare and bring in a Bill agreeably to the foregoing resolution of the Committee of the whole House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a further conference by committee, on the subject of the Bill respecting Marriage and Divorce.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Resolved, That this House doth agree to a further conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That the Managers do attend at the conference accordingly,

And the Managers went to the conference ;

And being returned,

Mr. Archibald reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and stated the substance of the conference to the House ; and thereupon,

On motion, *resolved*, that the Clerk do carry the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them this House do not adhere to their amendment, but have agreed to the said Bill, as originally sent down for concurrence.

On motion, *resolved*, that a further conference be desired with the Council by committee, on the subject of the resolution of this House for granting 3000*l.* for the purchase of Seed Grain ; and also, the resolution in favor of Henry Green and John Graham, and that the Clerk do request the same.

The Clerk reported that the Council had agreed to the Conference, as desired by the House, and that their committee was ready to meet on the conference immediately.

Ordered, That Mr. Chipman, Mr. Halliburton and Mr. Mortimer, do manage the said conference, and that they do also deliver to the committee of the Council, on conference, a copy of the resolution which passed this House on Friday last, on the subject of the purchase of Seed Grain.

And the Names of the Managers were called over, and they went to the conference accordingly ;

And being returned,

Mr. Chipman reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and, pursuant to order, delivered to the Committee of the Council, a copy of the Resolution before mentioned : and he also stated to the House the substance of the conference with the Committee of the Council.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act to prevent unlawful combinations of Master Tradesmen, and also of their Workmen and Journeymen, to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for founding, establishing and maintaining, an Academy at Pictou, with several amendments : to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House. The

The Council have not agreed to the Resolution of this House for granting the sum of 3000*l.* for purchasing Seed Grain.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The engrossed Bill, from the Council, was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

Thursday, 7th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to prevent unlawful combinations of Master Tradesmen, and also of their Workmen and Journey-men, was read a second time.

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

On motion, *resolved*, that the undermentioned Sums (being part of the Sum of 25,000*l.* granted for the service of Roads and Bridges throughout the Province for the present year) be appropriated to the respective Roads and Bridges, within the several Counties and Districts, in the manner following, *Viz.*

County of Halifax:

District of Halifax:

For the road from Skerry's, in Dartmouth, to Lake Loon, and to rebuild the bridge and causeway across the arm of the Lake	£.100	0	9
For the road from Great Salmon River Bridge, in Preston, over Lake Porter, to the mill in Musquodoboit	200	0	0
For the road from Gibraltar, on the Musquodoboit, to the main road leading to Halifax by the way of Chezencook	100	0	0
For the road from Cole Harbour to Lawrence Town, in addition to the sum remaining in the Treasury	30	0	0
To rebuild the bridges, clear out the windfalls, and improve the road from Dean's, in Upper Musquodoboit, to the Forks of St. Mary's river	150	0	0
For the road from Dartmouth to Sackville	130	0	0
For opening and improving the road from Allen's stan-yard to the road east of Fletcher's bridge	200	0	0
For the road from the mill on Nine Mile River to Marshal's farm at Hamond's Plain, leading to the head of Margaret's Bay, on the Chester road	200	0	0
To open the great leading road from Hamond Plain to Annapolis	150	0	0
To aid the inhabitants settled on the southerly side of the Musquodoboit River to open and improve the road (and to erect two bridges thereon) leading through their settlement	150	0	0
For the road from the forks of the road near Collins' to Cole Harbour	40	0	0
To open the road from Fultz's to Beaver Bank	50	0	0
For the road from Beaver Bank Bridge towards Rawdon	50	0	0
To improve the carrying place near the falls at the head of Musquodoboit River	27	10	0
For the road from Horne's, in the Eastern Passage, to Cow Bay	50	0	0
For the road from George Bisset's, at Cole Harbour, to Munday's	40	0	0
For the road through the Dutch Village	25	0	0
For the road leading from the Truro Road, three miles beyond Hall's and terminating at the farm formerly Geddes's, near Meagher's Mill	50	0	0
To Robert Hall, for clearing out the windfalls on the Truro road, after the gale in the year 1813	7	10	0

Carried Forward ————— £1750 0 0

Brought Forward...£1750 0 0

District of Colchester :

For building a bridge over the Chiganoise-River in Onslow, on the new road to Cumberland as altered by the Sessions, in addition to 100 <i>l.</i> remaining from the vote of last year, including commissions	£367	0	0
For the road from Vance's, in Londonderry, to the bounds of the County of Cumberland	50	0	0
For repairing the Salmon River Bridge in Truro, and to pay a sum remaining due for last year's repair	65	0	0
For repairing the North River Bridge in Onslow, on the main road leading to Cumberland	40	0	0
For the road from Christie's in Truro, to the Line of the District of Pictou	295	0	0
For the road from Moore's, at Gay's River, to Musquodoboit	73	0	0
For the road from Dickie's, on the Halifax Road, to Upper Sewack	80	0	0
For the road from Onslow to Tatamagushe	40	0	0
For the road from Great Village in Londonderry, to the bridge over Portipique River, leading to Economy	40	0	0
For the road from the bridge at Portipique to Economy	40	0	0
For the road from Economy River on the new road leading to Parrsborough Line	40	0	0
For the road from Upper Sewack to Musquodoboit	25	0	0
For the road from Cox's in Truro to Sewack	75	0	0
For the road from Sewack to Truro by Brookfield	40	0	0
For the road from Norris's at Fort Ellis, to Robert Polluck's	20	0	0
For the road from Dickie's to the Meeting House on the Shubenacadie	20	0	0
For the road from Moore's at Gay's River to Shubenaccadie Meeting House	30	0	0
For the road from the Halifax Road to Musquodoboit, by Dewolf's	25	0	0
For the road from the Old Barns in Truro to Shubenaccadie	30	0	0
For the road from Sandison's, in Truro, to Philips's, on the Shubenaccadie	25	0	0
For the road from Creelman's Mill to Dean's in Musquodoboit	10	0	0
For the road from Black Rock in Truro, to Polly's on the Halifax Road, by Burris's	50	0	0
For the road from the settlement on the Onslow Mountain, to the cross road leading to Truro, by Blair's	15	0	0
For the road from the settlement at the head of North River, to David M'Callum's, junr.	30	0	0
For enabling the inhabitants of Onslow to erect a bridge over the Chiganoise river, near the house of John Thomas	20	0	0
For the road from Londonderry to Folly Lake, on the Ramsbeg road	60	0	0
For the road from the settlement on the Onslow Mountain to the Pictou road, near Christie's, in Truro	10	0	0
For the road from the District Line of Pictou to the Cumberland line at Point Brule	30	0	0
For the road from Christie's mill, in Truro, to Greenfield	10	0	0
For the road from the Halifax road to Musquodoboit by Sibley's	25	0	0
For the road from Robert Logan's, in Upper Sewack, towards the middle river of Pictou, leading past Ellis's	40	0	0
For the road from the Tatamagushe road to Rood's, by Js. Linton's	30	0	0

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District of Pictou.

For the road and bridges from Pictou District Line, to the Gut Bridge	300	0	0
For the road from Logan's, on the Pictou road, to the River John	200	0	0
For the road from the River John, towards Tatamagushe	30	0	0
For the road from M'Connell's, to the Middle River of Pictou, at Marshall's	50	0	0
For the road from Marshall's, on the Middle River, towards the East River of Pictou	100	0	0
For the road from the East River Bridge, to the Pine-Tree Gut, leading to Charles Brown's	100	0	0

Carried Forward...£780 0 0 £3500 0 0

	<i>Brought Forward...</i>	£780	0	0	£3500	0	0
For the road from Pine Tree Gut to the line of the County of Sydney		250	0	0			
For the road from Charles Brown's to the road leading to Fisher's Grant		50	0	0			
For the road from Carmichael's on Fisher's Grant towards New Glasgow		100	0	0			
For the road from Abercrombie's Point towards Marshall's on the Middle River of Pictou		50	0	0			
For the road from Donald M'Kay's, senr. to James Cameron's, on the west branch of the East River of Pictou		50	0	0			
For the road from James Turnbull's on the Lower Settlement, to Duncan Cameron's on the Upper Settlement of the East River of Pictou		80	0	0			
For the road from Blackie's, to the widow M'Gill's, on the West River of Pictou		30	0	0			
For the road from the East River Meeting House towards St. Mary's		30	0	0			
For the road from the Meeting House on the Middle River of Pictou towards Sewack		30	0	0			
For the road from David Marshall's to John Marshall's on the Middle River of Pictou		30	0	0			
For the road from Cara's towards the Saw Mill		30	0	0			
For the road from Boat Harbour Bridge to George Forbis's at Little Harbour		100	0	0			
For the road from the main road to Carribou, by the way of the Scotch Mill		30	0	0			
For the road from Andrew Marshall's on Green Hill, towards the Upper Settlements of the East River, by the way of Alexander Fraser's, near the Middle River of Pictou		100	0	0			
For the road from Donald M'Donald's, on the Green Head, to Donald Fraser's, on the West River of Pictou		20	0	0			
For the road from Pictou to Carribou, by the Meadows		20	0	0			
For the road from the Cross Roads leading to Mergomishe to John Small's		20	0	0			

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County of Cumberland.

For the road from the bounds of Londonderry to Alpheus Morse's in Amherst	400	0	0
For the road from Amherst to the boundary line of New-Brunswick	240	0	0
For the road from Robert Reed's in Amherst, to the bounds of King's County, on the Patridge Island Road	200	0	0
For the road from Macan River to the River Hebert at Franklin Manor	20	0	0
For the road from Barronsfield towards Patridge Island	60	0	0
For the road from Macan Settlement to the River Philip	60	0	0
For the road from Macan Settlement towards the Five Islands	25	0	0
For the road from the head of Amherst to Goose River, by the River Shimicas	80	0	0
For the road from Gabriel Purdy's to Remsheg Harbour	100	0	0
For the road from the settlement on Black River to the mouth of Remsheg, by Richard Thompson's on the River Philip	100	0	0
For the road from Amherst to the Gulf of St. Lawrence, at Tidnish River, including the bridge on the said River	60	0	0
For the road from Miller's, at Folly Lake, to Daniel Tidd's at Remsheg River	50	0	0
For the road from Daniel Tidd's to the harbour of Pugwash, by Andrew Forshner's	45	0	0
For the road from John Rindress' at Remsheg on the road to Curry's at Tatamagushe	30	0	0
For the road from the Town Plot in Remsheg, to John Tuttle's on the road to Amherst	20	0	0
For the road from Fox Harbour Settlement to the main road leading to Amherst	20	0	0
For the road from the forks of Macan River, to the main road leading to Amherst	20	0	0

Carried Forward... £1530 0 0 £5300 0 0

	<i>Brought Forward...</i>	£1530 0 0	£5300 0 0
For the road from the harbour of Pugwash to Ripley's on the River Philip		30 0 0	
For opening a road from Johnson's at the River Philip to Economy, the inhabitants having subscribed the sum of 28 <i>l.</i> towards the same		20 0 0	
For aiding the inhabitants of Remsheg and Tatamagushe in opening a road from Remsheg River, near Bibe's, to Tatamagushe, near Curry's, a distance of about a mile; the inhabitants having subscribed 20 <i>l.</i> towards the same		25 0 0	
For aiding the inhabitants of the Scotch Settlement on the Gulf of St. Lawrence (between Fox Harbour and Pugwash Harbour, near Edward Finley's) to improve the road from the said settlement, to the Cumberland Road near John Tuttle's		15 0 0	
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County of Sydney.

For the main road from the line between the County of Sydney, and the District line of Pictou, to Malignant Cove		100 0 0	
For the main road from Malignant Cove to the Indian Gardens at Antigonishe		450 0 0	
For the road from the Indian Gardens to Daniel M'Pherson's, on the main road to Guysborough		300 0 0	
For the road from Daniel M'Pherson's on the main road to Guysborough, to the Church in Guysborough		275 0 0	
For the road from Guysborough to Abijah Scott's on the main road to St. Mary's		50 0 0	
For the road from Abijah Scott's to the east branch of St. Mary's River		115 0 0	
For the main road from the head of the tide at St. Mary's River, to the bridge on the east branch of the said River		70 0 0	
For the road from the old road at Guysborough to Country Harbour, near where the same crosses Salmon River to Crow Harbour		20 0 0	
For the road from Crow Harbour to Canso		50 0 0	
For the road from Manchester to the Gut of Canso		90 0 0	
For the road from the head of Milford Haven to Traccadie		80 0 0	
For the road from the harbour of Antigonishe to the upper part of the Ohio Settlement, being part of the road to St. Mary's		100 0 0	
For the road from the upper part of the Ohio Settlement on the west river of Antigonishe to St. Mary's		50 0 0	
For the road from Malignant Cove to Antigonishe Harbour, by the way of the Lakes		30 0 0	
For the road from Morris's Mill in Country Harbour, to the main road leading from Guysborough to St. Mary's		30 0 0	
For the road from Traccadie to the harbour of Antigonishe		40 0 0	
For the road from the Indian Gardens at Antigonishe, to Hattey's Mill, at Mergomishe		100 0 0	
For the road from Colin M'Nair's at the Gut of Canso, to Crow Harbour		25 0 0	
For the road from the main road from Antigonishe to Guysborough, near Roderick M'Donald's, to the Chapel in Pomquet		35 0 0	
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County of King's.

For the road from the Upper Gaspereau Bridge, near new Canaan, to the main road leading towards Avon Bridge		100 0 0	
For the road from the Upper Gaspereau Bridge towards Joel English's in Horton		25 0 0	
For the road from Jeremiah Kennie's and Martin's Mill to Jedediah Jordon's dwelling house, the south side of Gaspereau River		25 0 0	
For the road from Jedediah Jordon's to Pittsburgh in Horton		25 0 0	
For the road from Benjamin's Bridge to the road leading towards New Canaan, near Nathan Davison's		25 0 0	
For the road from Scovill's Bridge to Upper Gaspereau Bridge, near New-Canaan		20 0 0	
For the road from Ezra Reed's towards Foster Farm, by the house of William O'Leary		15 0 0	

Carried Forward... L.235 0 0 L.8930 0 0

		Brought Forward...£235	0	0	£8930	0	0
For the road from Elisha Bishop's to the road leading towards William Bishop's	20	0	0				
For the road from the Horton Court-House to the road leading towards New-Canaan	15	0	0				
For the road from near the Five Islands, towards the River Macan	20	0	0				
For the road from M'Cara's Road, by Jesse Lewis's Lands, to his Dwelling-House, on the Cumberland Road	15	0	0				
For the road from near John Armstrong's, near Huntley's Creek, to Fuller's Mill, south side of Gaspereau River	20	0	0				
For the road from Falmouth Line, near Mount Denson, to the Northern side of the Lower Gaspereau Bridge	100	0	0				
For the road from Gaspereau Lower Bridge, by Simon Fitch's, sen. to the Road, near Stone Bridge, and from Bishop's Bridge, to the Stone Bridge	80	0	0				
For the road from Patridge Island, to the North Bounds of King's County	100	0	0				
For the road from Economy, to the Road, leading from Patridge Island, towards Cumberland	60	0	0				
For the road from Fox River, by Lieut. Fraser's, to Apple River, in Parrsborough	40	0	0				
For the road from David Knotten's, at Advocate Harbour, on the Road, towards Lieut. Fraser's	25	0	0				
For the road from the Road, leading from Patridge Island, towards Cumberland, to Fox River	20	0	0				
For the road from Fitch's Bridge, on the Road leading to Falmouth, by Manning's Plain	15	0	0				
For the main road from Bishop's Bridge, in Horton, to the Stone Bridge, in Horton	75	0	0				
For the road from Joseph Allen's, to Benjamin's Bridge, by Caleb Benjamin's	20	0	0				
For the road at the Mill Creek on the main road, near Horton Court-House	20	0	0				
For the road from Pinco's at the half way River, to Bishop's Bridge, in Horton, in addition to the sum of 150l. granted for that service this Session	140	0	0				
For the road from near Daniel Caldwell's, on the south side of Gaspereau River, to the road leading towards New-Canaan by Thomas Davison's	20	0	0				
For the road near William Henry's towards the Coal Mines in Parrsborough	50	0	0				
For the road from the West bounds of Horton, past William Pineo's, to the West bounds of Cornwallis	100	0	0				
For the road from the West bounds of Cornwallis through Aylesford	15	0	0				
For the main road through Cornwallis from John H. Chipman's to Little Lake	20	0	0				
For the road from Silas Rand's and Little Lake to the West bounds of Cornwallis	20	0	0				
For the road from the west bounds of Cornwallis to Aylesford Church	20	0	0				
For the road leading to Aylesford Church to Black Rock	20	0	0				
For the road from Condon's Mill to the Annapolis Road	20	0	0				
For the road from Silas Wickwire's, by Huntley's, to Minas Bason, near White Water	20	0	0				
For the road from Scotch Bay to Cornwallis	20	0	0				
For the road from Eddy Newcomb's to Hall's Harbour in Cornwallis	35	0	0				
For the road near Randle Insley's to the Bay of Fundy	20	0	0				
For the road from Baxter's Harbour, to Sheffield's, in Cornwallis	20	0	0				
For the three roads, from Benjamin Foxe's, by Wilmot Osborne's; from Foot's, by Luther Porter's; and for the road, by James Kingsman's, up the mountain: all leading to the Hall Harbour road by Eddy Newcomb's	15	0	0				
For the road from the Black Rock road, near Seth Burges's Farm, to the road leading to Foot's	20	0	0				

Carried Forward...L.1455 0 0 L.8930 0 0

	<i>Brought Forward...</i>	L1455	0	0	L8930	0	0
For the road from Charles Finche's, westerly, near William North's, to the road leading to Hall's Harbour			20	0	0		
For the road leading from the road by Little Lake to Aylesford Church by Benjamin Burges's, over Bear Brook to the Black Rock Road			20	0	0		
For the road near Patrick Lyon's, under the mountain, easterly, by Cyrus Webster's to Daniel Sanford's			30	0	0		
For the road leading from the Pero road over the Pero Dyke, by Benjamin Weaver's and the settlement at Bass Creek, and extending westwardly to the road leading to Pero			30	0	0		
For securing the sea bank on the road near Js. Allison's in Cornwallis			25	0	0		
For the road from near Joel English's, southerly, to New Canaan road			20	0	0		
For the New Canaan road from the west bounds of Cornwallis towards the New Canaan settlement			40	0	0		
For the road near Thaddeus Harris's, westerly, to Amos Kingsman's			20	0	0		
For the Morden road from Francis Tupper's to the Bay of Fundy			20	0	0		
For the road westwardly from the Morden road to the settlement near William Randle's			20	0	0		
For the road leading from the main road to Annapolis, past the school house northerly near William Randle's to the Bay of Fundy			20	0	0		
For the road northerly past Clermont to the Bay of Fundy			20	0	0		
For the road, called the Ormsby road, leading northerly on or near the line between William Parker's and John West's, Jun			20	0	0		
For the road road southerly from the Annapolis road, by Ryarson's Mill to the New Canaan road			20	0	0		
For the road near Samuel Parker's southerly, to the New Canaan road			20	0	0	1800	0

County of Annapolis.

For the Liverpool road from the Half-way Tree towards Nictaur	100	0	0
For the New Canaan road from the east bounds of the County of Annapolis towards Nictaur	25	0	0
For the main road in Annapolis, from Shaftner's Farm to the Land lately granted Jesse Hoyt	35	0	0
For aiding the Inhabitants of Annapolis to rebuild the bridge near Round Hill, on the Post road	35	0	0
For repairing the bridge over the Annapolis river at Hicks' Ferry	100	0	0
For repairing the bridge over Allan's Creek near Annapolis, on the road to Digby	200	0	0
For improving the alteration made in main road leading westward fr. Annapolis by the way of the Hessian Line from the General's bridge	80	0	0
For the main road in Granville from the Battery at the Gut to Bray's Bridge	20	0	0
For aiding the Inhabitants of Granville to repair the Aboiteau at Chesley's, and the Bridge at Bath's, on the main road	30	0	0
For completing the Bridge over the Annapolis river at Leonard's	25	0	0
For improving that part of the new projected road to Halifax from Annapolis to the Liverpool road	100	0	0
For aiding the Inhabitants of the upper part of Annapolis to improve the cross road from the main road by Neily's farm to the southward	20	0	0
For aiding the inhabitants of Annapolis and Wilmot to repair the bridge at Lunn's Mill, over the Annapolis river	25	0	0
For aiding the Inhabitants of Clements to improve the cross road, beginning at Isaac Ditmass's, on the road leading through the Waldeck and Hessian lines	35	0	0
For aiding the Inhabitants at Parker's Cove, on the Bay of Fundy, to improve the main road in Granville to that Cove	40	0	0
For completing the opening, and improving, the road on the North Mountain, from the cross road to Young's Cove, to the cross road to Chute's Cove (in addition to the sum of 35l, granted last year, and not expended)	30	0	0
For aiding the Inhabitants of Granville to complete the opening of the road by the Farm of I. Phinney to the Bay of Fundy	45	0	0

*Carried Forward...*L945 0 0 L10730 0 0

<i>Brought Forward...L945</i>		0	0	L10730	0	0
For aiding the Inhabitants of Granville to improve the cross-road from Chute's Cove to the main road near Capt. Bath's in Granville	25	0	0			
For aiding the Inhabitants of Wilmot to improve the road from Leonard's, on the main road, to the road under the mountain	25	0	0			
For aiding the Inhabitants of Wilmot to reduce the Hill at Slocomb's, and to improve the road under the north mountain, from the Henley road to the eastward	25	0	0			
For the road from Woodberry's to the Bay of Fundy	40	0	0			
For the road from Andrew Marshall's, in Wilmot, to the Bay Shore, to commence at the said Shore	35	0	0			
For the road on the top of the north mountain, from the Granville line, to the farm of Henry Delongs on the said road	35	0	0			
For the main road in Wilmot, near the farm of John Ruggles, to the Bay of Fundy	40	0	0			
For aiding the Inhabitants of Wilmot to open a road from the Stronach road, on the top of the mountain, to the road leading to Judge Halliburton's farm	30	0	0			
For the great roads leading westward, and from the bridge on Bear River, and the ferry at the mouth of said river, to the junction of these roads at Lee's Mill, inclusive of the bridges on Hollingshead Creek, and three miles contiguous of the Shelburne road, in addition to a part of the grant of last year unexpended	250	0	0			
For repairing the bridge at Lee's mills, and improving the great western road: one half to be expended between Lee's mills and Velzer's farm, inclusive of the forking of the said road, which connects it with the road from the Town Plot of Digby; the other half between Rowe's mill, and Scissabou bridge	150	0	0			
For repairing the post road from Montegan to Salmon river, and for building a bridge over the said river	175	0	0			
For the road between Digby and the Grand Passage: to say, 30l. to be expended between Digby and Williams's Mill Brook; 40l. between said Brook and William Johnson's House; and 80l. from said Johnson's House to Little River	150	0	0			
For opening the road through Long Island, from the Petit Passage to Grand Passage	50	0	0			
For improving the road from Digby to Gulliver's Hole, by the way of the Battery and Light-House: of which sum, 60l. to be expended on the part between Digby and the Light-House at Rogers's Point; and 65l. from George Baine's, through the Scotch Settlement, to Gulliver's Hole	125	0	0			
For the further improvement of the road leading from the termination of the Hessian line, through the south range of the Hatfield Grant, to the Falls of Scissabou river	100	0	0			
For opening the road from Tucker's, along the north range of the Hatfield grant to No. 23, at the point where the parallel roads, leading through the said grant, are connected with the main road leading from Digby to Scissabou	50	0	0			
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<i>County of Hants.</i>						
For the road from the Newport line to James Campbell's, in Douglass	20	0	0			
For straitening and improving the road from Haines's farm to Blois's, and to improve the road from thence to the bridge over the Kenetcook in Douglass	150	0	0			
For opening a road from the Kenetcook Bridge to the Noel road, in Douglass, so as to avoid the steep hills	20	0	0			
For the main road from F. Murdock's to Five-mile river in Douglass	100	0	0			
For the road from Douglass Church to the Nine-mile river Settlement in addition to the sum undrawn from the Treasury	50	0	0			
For the road from the Nine-mile river Settlement in Douglas, to the bridge at Hall's	50	0	0			
For road from Barwick's Brook, to the new bridge over Shubenaccadie	50	0	0			
For the road from James Douglas's to Barwick's Brook	50	0	0			
For the road from Noel to the main road in Douglass	50	0	0			
For the new road from the Noel road to Beaver Bank, in aid of the in-						

	<i>Brought Forward...</i>	£440	0	0	£12980	0	0
habitants who have subscribed large sums for the same purpose		50	0	0			
For road from M'Lean's Farm in Douglass, to the Gore Settlement		40	0	0			
For the road from Ellis's mill, through the Nine-mile river Settlement, to Faggert's, in Douglass		25	0	0			
For the road from Douglass, to the Church in Rawdon		30	0	0			
For the new road from the Church in Newport, to the Halifax Road at Wier's Hill		100	0	0			
For altering and improving the road from the bridge at Lockart's to avoid Lockart's Hill		125	0	0			
For the road from Wilcox's ferry to the cross road at Barron's		25	0	0			
For the road from Hugh Smith's to Archibald Wier's		25	0	0			
For the road from Archibald Wier's to Parker's Mill		25	0	0			
For the road from the Mill at Parker's, to Lawrence's		30	0	0			
For the road from Petit to Salter's		50	0	0			
For road from Rine's settlement on Cogmagun to the road near Salter's		30	0	0			
For a balance due to Linnard Maxiner, for work done by him over the Tanner's Hill in Windsor, in the year 1803		16	13	4			
For reducing the Tanner's Hill in Windsor, on the main road to Halifax		100	0	0			
For the road from Long's to Chester Line, and for opening a road on the upland, so as to avoid the intervale above Long's		100	0	0			
For the road from Stevens' to Fenton's in Rawdon, and to pay for raising the road at each end of the bridge over the river Hebert		25	0	0			
For the road leading from the Rawdon road, by Haley's, to James Harvie's, in Newport		25	0	0			
For altering and improving main road from Haley's to Rawdon Church		50	0	0			
For completing the alterations and improving the road from Haley's to Lawrence's		250	0	0			
For the road, by Landerkin's, to the new settlement near Higgins's, in Rawdon		25	0	0			
For the road from Barron's, in Rawdon, to Taggart's, on the Nine-mile River		50	0	0			
For the road from Sheverie Farm to Cambridge, thence to Fulton's, and from thence to Petit Bridge		60	0	0			
For the road from Petit to Noel, along the shore, and from Noel to Salter's Head		50	0	0			
For the road leading from the Old Road in Falmouth to the road near Knowles's, by way of Payzant's, in addition to the money undrawn from the Treasury for the same road		10	0	0			
For the road from Dickie's bridge, near Mount Denson, to Loomer's, in Falmouth		40	0	0			
For the road from the bridge over the south branch of the river Avon to the church near Songster's		15	0	0			
For the old road from Falmouth ferry to the Half-way River		28	6	8			
For the road from Elder's in Falmouth to the old road leading to Horton near Macan's		10	0	0			

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Queen's County.

For the road from Dunlap's, on the road from Lunenburg County, to the bridge over Portmetway River to Mill Village		50	0	0			
For the road from Mill Village to the Bridge at Herring Cove		150	0	0			
For the road from the Herring Cove Bridge to the Bridge at the Falls over Liverpool River		75	0	0			
From the main road leading through Liverpool, to the Bridge over Great River at Port Mutton, on the main Road to Shelburne		250	0	0			
For the road from Port Mutton to the Eastern Bounds of Shelburne County		50	0	0			
For the road from the North bounds of Queen's County on the Nictaur Road, towards Liverpool		350	0	0			
For the road from Port Metway to Herring Cove Bridge		200	0	0			
For the road from the Grist Mill at Beach Meadows, to Clarenburg's Farm		60	0	0			

Carried Forward... L.1185 0 0 L.14830 0 0

	<i>Brought Forward...</i>	L.1195	0	0	L.14830	0	0
For the road from William Cahoon's, Jun, to Eagle Head		50	0	0			
For the main road in Liverpool to the Western Head Settlement		150	0	0			
For road from Munroe's to main road leading through Queen's County		25	0	0			
For the road from Hunt's Point Village to the main road leading to Shelburne		50	0	0			
For the road from the main road leading to Shelburne to Dogget's House at White Point Settlement		40	0	0			
For the road from Ballast Cove to the main road leading from Liverpool to Shelburne		100	0	0			
For assisting the inhabitants at Port Mutton to build a bridge over Port Mutton River		150	0	0			
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<i>County of Lunenburg.</i>							
For the main road from Chester to Hamond's Plain		400	0	0			
For the main road from Chester to Lunenburg		150	0	0			
For the main road from Lunenburg to Annapolis		300	0	0			
For the road from Lunenburg to Lahave River on the main road to Liverpool		50	0	0			
For the road from Petit River to the bounds of Lunenburg County on the main road from Lunenburg to Liverpool		300	0	0			
For the road from Lahave River to Petit Rivere on the main road from Lunenburg to Liverpool		50	0	0			
For the main road from Chester to Windsor		400	0	0			
For the road from Lahave to Brookfield above Lahave Falls near the Liverpool Line		50	0	0			
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<i>County of Shelburne.</i>							
For the road from the bounds of Queen's County to the town of Shelburne		250	0	0			
For the road from Shelburne to Clyde River, and repairing the bridge over the River Roseway		220	0	0			
For the road from Clyde River to the bridge over the Mill Brook in Barrington		90	0	0			
For the road from the bridge over the Mill Brook in Barrington to Owen's at Pubnico		400	0	0			
For the road from the bridge over the River Jordan to Ragged Islands, and from thence to Clyde River		90	0	0			
For the road from Salmon River, in Yarmouth, to Jacob Telford's		60	0	0			
For road from J. Telford's, to the bounds of the County of Annapolis		150	0	0			
For the road from Robert Durkie's to the north line of the township of Yarmouth, on the westerly side of Lake George		80	0	0			
For the road from Tusket River Bridge to Renard's Mill		50	0	0			
For aiding the Inhabitants of Yarmouth to repair the Bridge over the river, at the Narrows, near Doctor's Lake		20	0	0			
For aiding the Inhabitants to improve the road from Purdy's, on Tusket River to Joshua Terfry's in Yarmouth		20	0	0			
For aiding the Inhabitants to improve the road from Thomas Brown's to William Stevens' near the High Head in Yarmouth		20	0	0			
For opening and improving the road from the North line of the township of Yarmouth to the upper falls on Scissabou River		90	0	0			
For the road from Owen's at Pubnico to John Nickerson's in Argyle		60	0	0			
For the road from John Nickerson's to John Kenny's in Yarmouth		100	0	0			
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Ordered, That the Clerk do prepare and carry to the Council, separate resolutions for appropriating the foregoing specific sums, and desire their concurrence to the same.

The Order of the Day being read,

The House proceeded to the further consideration of the Charges exhibited against William Smith, a Supervisor of the Windsor Road ; and the said William Smith being called by the Sergeant at Arms, did not appear ; whereupon Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had received a Letter from the said Smith, requesting him to inform the House, that owing to indisposition he should not be able further to attend the House, and that he had directed his son to appear for him.

Mr. Speaker also informed the House that a letter had been received by the Clerk of the House, from Richard Lacey, stating the impossibility of his attendance, pursuant to the order of the House, owing to severe indisposition ; and thereupon,

On Motion, the House proceeded to the further investigation of the charges against the said William Smith, and having duly considered the Allegations and proofs ; and also the defence of the said William Smith, came to the following resolutions, viz.

Resolved, That this House are of opinion, upon inquiry and examination, into the conduct of William Smith, one of the Supervisors of the Windsor Road, that he has not expended the sum of Money entrusted to him for the service of the said road in the last year, in a faithful manner, and has thereby incurred the censure of this House.

Resolved, That it appears to this House, that the before-named William Smith, has improperly retained in his hands, and paid out of the sum of money committed to his charge for the service mentioned in the foregoing resolution, the sum of forty pounds eleven shillings, for the hire of a man travelling to procure men to work under him as Supervisor ; for wages allowed them previous to their being set to work, and for other charges respecting such workmen, not warranted by Law : also, thirty pounds nine shillings and five pence, for liquor supplied the men employed working upon the said road ; and that he has improperly retained, as aforesaid, forty-two pounds five shillings, for the use of his own horse, used by him for his own convenience in riding to and fro upon the said road, and for his own attendance on the House of Assembly, together with twenty pounds sixteen shillings, for his services as such Supervisor, over and above the sum to which he was by Law entitled ; and that it further appears, that the said William Smith has now in his hands five pounds nine shillings and eleven pence, unexpended of the sum entrusted to him for the service of the said road ;—which several sums amount to the sum of one hundred and thirty-nine pounds ten shillings and four pence.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with copies of the several resolutions which have passed this House relative to William Smith, the before named Supervisor ; and to request His Excellency would be pleased to remove the said William Smith from the office of Supervisor, and to direct the proper Officer to compel the said William Smith to refund to the Province the sum of one hundred

dred and thirty-nine pounds ten shillings and four pence, mentioned in the foregoing resolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Crane and Mr. Purdy, be a Committee accordingly.

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

• *Friday, 8th March, 1816.*

PRAYERS.

On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of the sums of money requisite to be appropriated for the service of the main roads; and thereupon,

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand pounds be granted for the main road between Sackville Bridge and the north side of Bishop's bridge in Horton, to be applied as follows:

From Sackville Bridge to Pence's, one thousand two hundred and fifty pounds.

From Pence's to the western end of Ardoise Hill, five hundred pounds.

From the western end of Ardoise Hill to the Three Mile Plain, two hundred and fifty pounds.

From the Three Mile Plain to the northern end of Avon Bridge, three hundred and fifty pounds.

From the northern end of Avon Bridge to Pineo's House, at the Half Way River, five hundred pounds.

From Pineo's House, at the Half Way River, to the north side of Bishop's bridge in Horton, one hundred and fifty pounds; and the whole sum to be expended by a Commissioner or Commissioners, to be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or in such other manner as His Excellency may think best for the public good.

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand pounds be granted for the main road from the Windsor Road to M'Keen's mill at Truro, to be applied as follows:—

From the Windsor Road to Fletcher's Bridge, eight hundred pounds; and also the whole sum remaining unexpended of the grant of last year, for the eastern great road.

From Fletcher's Bridge to Gay's River, one thousand one hundred pounds.

From the south end of Gay's River Bridge to M'Kean's Mill in Truro, one thousand one hundred pounds: and the whole sum to be expended by a Commissioner, or Commissioners, to be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or in such other manner as His Excellency may think best for the public good.

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

Mr. Pool, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill, in amendment of an Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation, and the said Bill was read a first time.

Mr. Pyke, pursuant to order, presented a Bill for Paving Water-Street, in the Town of Halifax, and the same was read a first time.

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

A Bill to enable certain persons therein named, to erect a Draw Bridge across the Liverpool River in the Town of Liverpool, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to enable certain persons therein named, to erect a Draw Bridge across the Liverpool River in the Town of Liverpool.

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the engrossed Bill from the Council, to prevent unlawful combinations of Master Tradesmen, and also of their Workmen and Journeymen, and had agreed to the same with several amendments: and he afterwards delivered the Bill, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's table.

The chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed: which report the House agreed to.

The said amendments were read throughout a first and second time: and, upon the question, severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the amendments be engrossed.

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

Saturday, 9th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A Bill in amendment of the Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation; and also,

A Bill to provide for the Paving of Water-Street, in the Town of Halifax: were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Shaw, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate the Trade of the Province in Plaister of Paris or Gypsum; and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr.

Mr. Kent, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to alter the Sitting of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace in the District of Colchester : and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to prevent unlawful combinations of Master Tradesmen, and also of their Workmen and Journeymen, and also the engrossed amendments to the said Bill, were severally read a third time.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same with several amendments.

The Order of the Day being read,

On motion, the Petition of Stephen Harrington, and others, was read and considered : and thereupon,

Resolved, That the Petition be dismissed.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Dimock took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee that they had gone through the Bill in amendment of the Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation, and that he was directed by the Committee to report the said Bill without any amendment. That the Committee had also gone through the Bill in amendment of an Act against Forestallers and Regrators, and had made several amendments thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House : and he afterwards delivered the Bills, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's table.

The chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills to them referred ; which report the House agreed to.

The amendments to the Bill respecting Forestallers and Regrators, were read throughout a first and second time, and upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

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

Ordered, That the Bill in amendment of the Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation, be engrossed.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a conference by committee, on the subject of several of the Resolutions of the House before the Council, for granting Monies for the service of Roads and Bridges.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Ordered,

Ordered, That Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Chipman and Mr. Allison, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference;

And being returned,

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply: which report the House agreed to.

On motion, *resolved*, That a committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the subject of the expenditure of the sums of money granted the present Session for the repair of the two great roads of the Province.

Ordered, That Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Pryor, and Mr. Chipman, be a committee for the above purpose.

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

Monday, 11th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to alter the sitting of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace in the District of Colchester; and also,

A Bill to regulate the Trade of the Province in Plaster of Paris or Gypsum—were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Mortimer, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to prevent the spreading of the Small Pox; and the same was read a first time.

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

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

A petition of the Reverend Alexander McDonald and others, Inhabitants of Dorchester, in the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. Cunningham, and

and read, setting forth, that the Inhabitants of the said County suffer much inconvenience from the want of a regular communication with the Capital of the Province, and praying the aid of the House for the establishment of a regular conveyance by Post.

Ordered, That the petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion, *resolved,* that this House will, on Saturday next, take into consideration the Bill to provide for the Paving of Water-Street, in the Town of Halifax, and that the Clerk do furnish the Proprietors of the Land on the said Street with a copy of the Bill if they should require it.

Mr. Ritchie, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in aid of His Majesty's Inferior Courts of Common Pleas; and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pool took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee that they had postponed the consideration of the Bill to prevent the spreading of the Small Pox, to this day three months. That the Committee had gone through the Bill in amendment of the Act for ascertaining the Standard Size of Bricks, &c. and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bill without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed: which report the House agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

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

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

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

And they went to the conference;

And being returned,

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill

Bill to prevent unlawful combinations of Master Tradesmen, and also of their Workmen and Journeymen.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any amendment.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply: which report the House agreed to.

On motion, *resolved*, That a further conference be desired with the Council, on the subject matter of the last conference, and that the Clerk do request the same; also,

Ordered, That Mr. Crane be added to the Managers for the said conference.

On motion, *ordered*, That the Clerk do prepare and bring in Bills for severally continuing the Revenue Laws now in force.

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

Tuesday, 12th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Campbell, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to alter the time of the Sitting of the Interior Court, and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Shelburne, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Haliburton reported from the committee on the subject of Light-Houses, and accordingly presented a Bill for appointing Commissioners for Light-Houses, and the same was read a first time.

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

The Clerk acquainted the House, that the Council had agreed to a further conference immediately, agreeably to the resolution of yesterday.

Ordered, That the Managers do attend at the conference accordingly.

And they went to the conference accordingly;

And being returned,

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

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

Mr. Speaker,

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

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

And being returned,

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

An Act to prevent unlawful Combinations of Master Tradesmen, and also of their Workmen and Journeymen.

An Act to continue an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of the reign of his present Majesty, entitled, An Act for encouraging the Establishment of Schools throughout the Province.

An Act in addition to the Act for punishing Criminal Offenders.

An Act to explain the Acts concerning Marriage and Divorce, passed in the thirty-second year of His late Majesty's Reign, and the first year of his present Majesty's Reign.

A Bill in aid of His Majesty's Inferior Court of Common Pleas, was read a second time.

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

Mr. Wiswall, pursuant to leave given, presented a petition of Isaac Smith, and the same was read, praying the aid of the House to enable him to establish the running of a Stage Coach from Halifax to Windsor.

Mr. Cunningham, pursuant to leave given, presented a Petition of Lewis McDonald and others, Trustees of a School at Arisag, in the County of Sydney, praying the aid of the House to enable them to pay their Schoolmaster for two years arrears of pay, agreeably to the Act of the Legislature.

Mr. Cunningham, pursuant to leave given, presented a Petition of Christopher Chisom and others, Inhabitants of the County of Sydney, praying the aid of the House to enable the Trustees of a School on the Manchester Road, to pay their Schoolmaster one year's pay, which could not be obtained for want of the proper form of certificate.

Ordered, That the said Petitions be referred to the Committee of Supply.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to two hundred and eighty resolutions of this House for granting specific sums of money for the service of Roads and Bridges, amounting to £25,972 10 0.

The Council have not agreed to the resolution of this House for granting the

the sum of £7 10 0 to Robert Hall, for clearing out Windfalls in the Truro Road, in the year 1813.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred : and that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply ; which report the House agreed to.

The Clerk, pursuant to order, presented to the House : A Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province : also,

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

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

A Bill to continue an Act for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, &c. for the support of His Majesty's Government : and the said Bills were severally read a first time.

Mr. Pyke reported from the Committee on the expiring Laws, and accordingly presented a Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly now in force, relating to a Militia : and the said Bill was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bills be read a second time.

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

Wednesday, 13th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A Bill for appointing Commissioners for Light-Houses ; also,

A Bill to alter the time of the sitting of the Inferior Court and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Shelburne ; also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province ; also,

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

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

A Bill to continue an Act for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, &c. for the support of His Majesty's Government : and also,

A Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly now in force, relating to a Militia : were severally read a second time.

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

An engrossed Bill in amendment of the Act for ascertaining the Standard Size of Bricks, &c. was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, entitled, An Act to revive and amend an Act for establishing the Standard Weight of Grain, and for appointing proper Officers for measuring Grain, Salt and Coals, and ascertaining the Standard Size of Bricks, and the quantity of Lime to be contained in a Hoghead.

An engrossed Bill in amendment of an Act against Forefallers and Re-grators, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the sixth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act against Forefallers and Re-grators.

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a conference by committee, on the subject of the Liverpool Draw Bridge Bill.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Freeman, Mr. Parker and Mr. Archibald do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference ;

And being returned,

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the sixth year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act against Forefallers and Re-grators.

The Council have agreed to the Bill to enable certain persons therein named, to erect a Draw Bridge across the Liverpool River in the Town of Liverpool, with several amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pool took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed : which report the House agreed to.

Mr. Shaw, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate the Transportation of Gun-Powder; and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

Thursday, 14th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Pyke reported from the committee on the expiring Laws, and accordingly presented a Bill to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned: and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Bill to regulate the transportation of Gunpowder, was read a second time.

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

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments made by the Council to the Liverpool Draw Bridge Bill; and the said amendments having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the amendments made by them to the said Bill.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to enable certain persons therein named, to erect a Draw Bridge across the Liverpool River, in the Town of Liverpool, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee that they had gone through a Bill to continue an Act for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, &c. for the support of His Majesty's Government; also, a Bill to continue an Act for imposing a Duty on articles to be imported from the United States of America, and for appropriating the same; also, a Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for raising a revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province; also, a Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for the increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province; and also a Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly now in force relating to a Militia; and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills severally without any amendment. That the committee had also gone through the Bill to regulate the transportation of Gunpowder; and the Bill in aid of His Majesty's Inferior Courts of Common Pleas; and had made several amendments to the said Bills respectively: and he afterwards delivered the said Bills above mentioned in at the Clerk's table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed: and thereupon,

Mr. Chipman moved, that the report of the committee, so far as it relates to the Bill in aid of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas, be not agreed to by the House—which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fourteen; against it, eighteen:

For the Motion:

Mr. Harris, Mr. Wells,
Mr. Shaw, Mr. Mortimer,
Mr. Flemming, Mr. Roach,
Mr. Pool, Mr. Allison,
Mr. Pryor, Mr. Bishop.
Mr. Dimock,
Mr. Manning,
Mr. Baker,
Mr. Chipman,

Against the motion:

Mr. Rudoif, Mr. Freeman,
Mr. Warwick, Mr. Pyke,
Mr. Kent, Mr. Wiswall,
Mr. Campbell, Mr. Creighton,
Mr. Marsters, Mr. Parker,
Mr. Crane, Mr. Haliburton,
Mr. Marshall, Mr. Bars,
Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Ritchie,
Mr. Archibald, Mr. Purdy.

So it passed in the negative.

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

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

Ordered, That the several Bills, as reported from the committee without amendment, be engrossed.

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

Friday,

Friday, 15th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned, was read a second time.

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

An engrossed Bill in amendment of an Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation : was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of his present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation.

A Bill to regulate the transportation of Gunpowder, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to regulate the transportation of Gunpowder from place to place within this Province.

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province : was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province.

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly of this Province, now in force, relating to a Militia, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly of this Province now in force relating to a Militia.

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for raising a revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for raising a revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, by laying a Duty on Persons hereafter to be licensed to keep Public Houses and Shops for the retail of Spirituous Liquors.

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

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to continue an Act imposing a Duty on Articles to be imported from the United States of America, and for appropriating the same.

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, &c. for the support of His Majesty's Government, was read a third time.

Resolved,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to alter and continue an Act for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government : and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries, of this Province.

An engrossed Bill in aid of His Majesty's Inferior Courts of Common Pleas, was read a third time : and thereupon, Mr. Solicitor-General moved, that the word " Five," in the fifth clause of the said Bill, be struck out, and the word four inserted in the place thereof, so that the Salary of a presiding Justice of the said Court, should be 400l. per annum, instead of 500l. which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen ; against it, seventeen :

For the Motion :

<i>Mr. Pool,</i>	<i>Mr. Cunningham,</i>
<i>Mr. Harris,</i>	<i>Mr. Marsters,</i>
<i>Mr. Rudolf,</i>	<i>Mr. Wells,</i>
<i>Mr. Allison,</i>	<i>Mr. Roach,</i>
<i>Mr. Chipman,</i>	<i>Mr. Manning,</i>
<i>Mr. Solicitor-Genl.</i>	<i>Mr. Baker,</i>
<i>Mr. Pryor,</i>	<i>Mr. Flemming,</i>
<i>Mr. Dimock,</i>	

Against the motion :

<i>Mr. Barss,</i>	<i>Mr. Parker,</i>
<i>Mr. Wiswall,</i>	<i>Mr. Campbell,</i>
<i>Mr. Shaw,</i>	<i>Mr. Freeman,</i>
<i>Mr. Marshall,</i>	<i>Mr. Crane,</i>
<i>Mr. Creighton,</i>	<i>Mr. Bishop,</i>
<i>Mr. Kent,</i>	<i>Mr. Lawson,</i>
<i>Mr. Archibald,</i>	<i>Mr. Purdy,</i>
<i>Mr. Haliburton,</i>	<i>Mr. Ritchie,</i>
<i>Mr. Pyke,</i>	

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Pryor then moved that the Bill do not pass, which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen ; against it, seventeen :

For the Motion :

<i>Mr. Pool,</i>	<i>Mr. Wells,</i>
<i>Mr. Harris,</i>	<i>Mr. Roach,</i>
<i>Mr. Rudolf,</i>	<i>Mr. Manning,</i>
<i>Mr. Shaw,</i>	<i>Mr. Baker,</i>
<i>Mr. Allison,</i>	<i>Mr. Flemming,</i>
<i>Mr. Chipman,</i>	<i>Mr. Bishop,</i>
<i>Mr. Pryor,</i>	
<i>Mr. Dimock,</i>	
<i>Mr. Lawson,</i>	

Against the Motion :

<i>Mr. Barss,</i>	<i>Mr. Marsters,</i>
<i>Mr. Wiswall,</i>	<i>Mr. Pyke,</i>
<i>Mr. Solicitor-Genl.</i>	<i>Mr. Parker,</i>
<i>Mr. Cunningham,</i>	<i>Mr. Campbell,</i>
<i>Mr. Marshall,</i>	<i>Mr. Freeman,</i>
<i>Mr. Creighton,</i>	<i>Mr. Crane,</i>
<i>Mr. Kent,</i>	<i>Mr. Ritchie,</i>
<i>Mr. Archibald,</i>	<i>Mr. Purdy,</i>
<i>Mr. Haliburton,</i>	

So it passed in the negative :

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in aid of His Majesty's Inferior Courts of Common Pleas.

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Crane took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee that they had gone through the Bill to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned ; also, a Bill to alter the Sitting of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace in the District of Colchester ; and also, a Bill to alter the time of the Sitting of the

Inferior Court, and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Shelburne : and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills severally without any amendment ; and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed : which report the House agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills be engrossed.

Mr. Marshall reported from the Committee to whom the Petition of Raymond La Liberté was referred, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read : and thereupon,
Ordered, That the report do lie on the Table.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the the several Acts of the General Assembly of this Province now in force relating to a Militia ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for raising a revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, by laying a Duty on Persons hereafter to be licensed to keep Public Houses and Shops for the retail of Spirituous Liquors ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act imposing a Duty on Articles to be imported from the United States of America, and for appropriating the same ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and continue an Act for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries, of this Province ; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, entitled, An Act to revive and amend an Act for establishing the Standard Weight of Grain, and for appointing proper Officers for measuring Grain, Salt and Coals, and ascertaining the Standard Size of Bricks, and the quantity of Lime to be contained in a Hogshead : severally without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of his present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation, with an amendment, to which amendment they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred : and that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply ; which report the House agreed to.

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

Saturday, 16th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendment made by the Council to the Bill in amendment of the Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation, and the said amendment having been read throughout a first and second time, was, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the amendment made by them to the said Bill.

On motion, of Mr. Marshall, *resolved*, that a committee be appointed to wait on his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with a copy of the Resolution of this House, for granting to George Henry Monk, one of the Assistant Justices of His Majesty's Supreme Court, the sum of Four Hundred Pounds, per Annum ; during his natural life, and to state to His Excellency, that the House are willing, upon the said George Henry Monk signifying to His Excellency his intention to resign his present appointment of Judge, and accept the above sum, to pass a Law to carry the same into effect.

Ordered, That Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Crane and Mr. Purdy, be a committee for the above purpose.

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

Mr. Speaker,

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

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

And being returned,

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

An

An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly of this Province now in force relating to a Militia.

An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise on all Goods, Wares and Merchandise, imported into this Province.

An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly, for raising a revenue to repair the Roads throughout the Province, by laying a duty on Persons hereafter to be Licensed to keep Public Houses and Shops for the retail of Spirituous Liquors.

An Act to continue an Act imposing a Duty on articles to be imported from the United States of America, and for appropriating the same.

An Act to alter and continue an Act for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Brandy, Gin, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Acffee and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries, of this Province.

An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, entitled, An Act to revive and amend an Act for establishing the Standard Weight of Grain; and for appointing proper Officers for measuring Grain, Salt and Coals; and ascertaining the Standard Size of Bricks, and the quantity of Lime to be contained in a Hoghead.

An Act to enable certain persons therein named, to erect a Draw Bridge across the Liverpool River in the Town of Liverpool.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned, severally without any amendment.

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act in aid of His Majesty's Inferior Courts of Common Pleas.

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in the several Counties and Districts of this Province: to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The said Bill was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Marshall, *Resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon, and deliver to, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, a copy of the several Resolutions passed this House on the seventh instant, relative to William Smith, Supervisor of the Windsor Road.

Ordered, That Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Crane and Mr. Purdy, be a committee for the above purpose.

On

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them-referred, and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed: which report the House agreed to.

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

Monday, 18th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in the several Counties and Districts of this Province, was read a second time.

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

An engrossed Bill to alter the time of the Sitting of the Inferior Court, and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Shelburne, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to alter the time of the Sitting of the Inferior Court, and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Shelburne.

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee that they had gone through the Bill for the Paving of Water-Street, in the Town of Halifax, and had made several amendments thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he afterwards delivered the Bill, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed: which report the House agreed to.

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

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House: and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum of one thousand two hundred pounds, should be granted to aid the Inhabitants of Halifax in paving Water-street; to be expended by the Commissioners of Highways, under the provisions of an Act, to be passed this Session for paving Water-street.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one hundred pounds should be granted to assist the Inhabitants of Port Mutton, in Queen's County, to build a Bridge over a Creek in the centre of the said Settlement, and on a Public Road, granted by the Sessions at Liverpool.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of seven hundred and fifty pounds should be granted to enable his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor from time to time to remunerate the Honourable Charles Morris the Surveyor General, for any expence which he may at in running the lines of the Counties and Townships within the Province, together with the main Roads, and making a correct Plan of the same.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of four hundred pounds should be granted for rebuilding the Light House at the entrance of the Gut of Annapolis, in aid of one hundred pounds subscribed by the Inhabitants of the County for that purpose.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of two hundred pounds should be granted for the purpose of Erecting a Light-House at the entrance of the Harbour of Halifax.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee that a sum of six hundred and fifty pounds should be granted to keep up the communication by Post, as heretofore established; and also, to enable the Post-Master at Halifax to extend the communication to Liverpool, by the way of Lunenburg; and also, to Antigonishe, with the County of Sydney.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of four hundred pounds should be granted for the Road from M^r Alpin's, towards Sackville Bridge, to be expended under the direction of the commissioners of the Streets of Halifax.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of five hundred pounds should be granted and paid to such person or persons as shall be appointed to expend the same, by his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in aid of the Inhabitants of the County of Halifax, in building a County Jail; *provided*, a fit and proper part of such Jail be appropriated and applied for

for the reception of such persons as may be considered Provincial Prisoners, and not chargeable to any particular County in this Province. The Money not to be drawn from the Treasury until it shall be certified by the *Custos Rotularum*, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that the County of Halifax have provided a sum of Money which with the above sum will be sufficient to complete the aforesaid Building.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of one hundred and thirty-six pounds fourteen shillings and six pence, should be granted and paid to William Bruce Allmon, in full, for his attendance and Medicines administered to sundry Sick Refugee Blacks, in the Poor House, between the month of September, 1814, and the month of April, 1815, per account.

Resolved, That is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of two hundred and fifty pounds (in addition to 100l. already granted this Session) should be granted to open the Road from Hammond Plain, leading to Annapolis.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of three hundred pounds should be granted and paid to the commissioners of the Poor at Halifax, to make an addition to the Lunatic House, in Halifax.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of four hundred pounds should be granted and paid to the commissioner of the Island of Sable, for the support of that Establishment for the present year, and for paying the balance now due to the said commissioner, on account of that Establishment.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of forty pounds should be granted to the person who has the care of the Gunpowder, at Halifax, for the present year.

Resolved, That is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of four hundred pounds should be granted to provide an Iron Railing, for the East front of the Government-House Lot, and for making such other repairs as may be necessary.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of fifty pounds should be granted to Isaiah Shaw, for his attention, and expenses incurred by him, in taking an account of all the live Cattle and Sheep, brought to the Market of Halifax, between the 1st January, 1815, and the 1st January, 1816.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply : which report the House agreed to.

The said resolutions were read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

Mr. Dimock moved, that the Resolution for granting £1,200 for Paving Water-Street, in the Town of Halifax, be not received by the House : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, twenty :

For

For the Motion :

Mr. Wiswall, Mr. Holiburton,
 Mr. Crane, Mr. Marsters,
 Mr. Kitchie, Mr. Creighton,
 Mr. Warwick,
 Mr. Parker,
 Mr. Manning,
 Mr. Allison,
 Mr. Dimock,
 Mr. Freeman,
 Mr. Baker,

Against the motion :

Mr. Marshall, Mr. Archibald,
 Mr. Rudolf, Mr. Fleming,
 Mr. Harris, Mr. Roach,
 Mr. Pool, Mr. Chapman,
 Mr. Lawson, Mr. Mortimer,
 Mr. Bars, Mr. Wells,
 Mr. Solicitor-Genl. Mr. Pyke,
 Mr. Pryor, Mr. Kent,
 Mr. Shaw, Mr. Bishop,
 Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Campbell.

So it passed in the negative.

The said resolutions were then severally put to the House, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the resolutions to the Council, and desire their concurrence to the same.

Mr. Lawson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in addition to an Act to facilitate the passage across the Harbour of Halifax, and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred : and that the Committee had deferred the consideration of the Bill in amendment of the Attachment Act, to this day three months.

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

Mr. Mortimer reported from the committee appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the resolution of this House on the subject of Judge Monk ; and also the resolutions respecting William Smith, Supervisor of the Windsor Road : that the committee had accordingly waited upon, and delivered to, His Excellency, the said resolutions : and that His Excellency was pleased to say that he would take such steps as would carry the same into effect.

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

Tuesday, 19th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A Bill in addition to an Act to facilitate the passage across the Harbour of Halifax, was read a second time.

Resolved,

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to thirteen Resolutions of this House, for granting the following Sums.

- 40l. to the person in care of Gunpowder, at Halifax
- 400l. for the Island of Sable
- 300l. for an addition to the Lunatic House
- 200l. for a road from Hammond Plains, towards Annapolis
- 136l. 14s. 6d. to W. B. Allmon
- 400l. for the road from M'Alpin's, to Sackville
- 630l. for communication by Post
- 200l. for 2 Light-House at the entrance of Halifax Harbour
- 400l. for a Light-House at the Gut of Annapolis
- 750l. for running lines of the Counties, &c.
- 100l. for a Bridge at Port Mutton
- 50l. to John Graham and Henry Green
- 400l. for Iron Railing for the Government House.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to alter the time of the Sitting of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Shelburne ; and also, a Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the transportation of Gunpowder, from place to place within the Province, severally with amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Council request a conference by committee, on the resolution in favor of Isaiah Shaw, and also the resolution relative to the Paving of Water Street in the Town of Halifax.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Mortimer and Mr. Pryor, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference ;

And being returned,

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this House, for granting 500l. in aid for a County Jail at Halifax.

The Council have not agreed to the Resolution of this House, for granting 50l. to Isaiah Shaw.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

An engrossed Bill for Paving Water-Street, in the Town of Halifax, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to enable the inhabitants of the town of Halifax to Pave Water-Street in the same town.

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred : and that the Committee had gone through the Bill to regulate the Trade of this Province in Plaster of Paris or Gypsum ; and also the Bill in amendment of the Highway Acts, and had made several amendments to the said Bills respectively ; and he afterwards delivered the Bills, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's table.

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

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

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

Mr. Solicitor-General, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to revive and continue an Act respecting Aliens coming into this Province, or residing therein ; and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Haliburton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to extend the provisions of an Act to give power to the Firewards of the Town of Halifax, to prevent dangerous quantities of Gunpowder being kept within the said Town, to the Town of Windsor ; and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Mortimer reported further from the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the resolution of the House respecting Judge Monk's retirement from office, and delivered to the House a copy of a letter from Judge Monk to the Deputy Secretary of the Province, dated yesterday, stating that he was willing to resign his present appointment of Judge, and accept of the Pension voted by the House, as soon as a Law shall be passed, and assented to, for carrying the same into effect ; and thereupon,

Ordered, That Mr. Wifwall do prepare and bring in a Bill accordingly.

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

Wednesday,

Wednesday, 20th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

The House considering the unanimity and happiness of the various denominations of Christians in this Province, to depend in great measure upon the appointment of a Successor to the late Right Reverend and Pious Bishop of Nova-Scotia, deceased ; thereupon,

Resolved, unanimously. That an humble Address be presented to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, in the words following :—

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, your Royal Highness's loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Representatives of the People of Nova Scotia, deeply impressed with sentiments of gratitude, for the many blessings we have hitherto enjoyed under your Royal Highness's care and protection, and knowing that your Royal Ear will ever be open to the humble representations, and desires, of your loyal and affectionate people, of this his Majesty's Colony, beg leave to state to your Royal Highness, that the Death of our late Right Reverend and Pious Bishop of Nova-Scotia, has awakened our sorrow, and called our most serious attention to the situation of this Province, which we beg leave further to state to your Royal Highness, is inhabited by all descriptions of persons, and various denominations of Christians, who at present, under the protection of your Royal Highness, in the free and uncontrolled enjoyment of all their religious sentiments, are contented and happy.

We feel assured, that, on the appointment of a successor to our late Right Reverend and pious Bishop, depends in great measure the happiness and comfort of the good people of this, his Majesty's loyal Colony of Nova-Scotia ; we therefore most humbly approach your Royal Highness, on behalf of the Inhabitants of this Province, and still more humbly request, that should your Royal Highness be disposed to fill the vacant See of this Province from among the resident Clergy, your Royal Highness would be most graciously pleased to consider the worthy and pious Rector of St. Paul's, the Reverend Dr. STAN-
SER, who for many years has been, and yet is, the Chaplain of this House, and whose constant and faithful attention to the many arduous duties of his station, and exemplary piety, have gained him the universal love and affection of all the Inhabitants of this Colony.

Ordered, That the foregoing Address to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, be engrossed by the Clerk.

An engrossed Bill, to regulate the Trade of this Province in Plaster of Paris or Gypsum, was read a third time ; and thereupon,

Mr. Archibald moved that the Bill do not pass, which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, ten ; against it, sixteen.

For

For the Motion :

Mr. Purdy, Mr. Solicitor-Genl.
 Mr. Marsters, Mr. Kent,
 Mr. Dimock,
 Mr. Manning,
 Mr. Archibuld,
 Mr. Haliburton,
 Mr. Flemming,
 Mr. Baker.

Against the motion :

Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Pryor,
 Mr. Lawson, Mr. Cunningham,
 Mr. Roach, Mr. Chipman,
 Mr. Harris, Mr. Campbell,
 Mr. Pyke, Mr. Creighton,
 Mr. Rudolf,
 Mr. Barss,
 Mr. Pool, Mr. Wells,
 Mr. Freeman.

So it passed in the negative.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for the encouragement of the Trade of this Province in Plaister of Paris, otherwise called Gypsum.

An engrossed Bill, in amendment of the Acts for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, Bridges, &c. was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the first year of his Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, Bridges and Streets, and for appointing Surveyors of Highways, within the several Townships in this Province; and also of an Act, passed in the fifth year of his Majesty's Reign, in addition to, and amendment thereof.

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

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

A Bill to extend the provisions of an Act to give power to the Firewards of the Town of Halifax to prevent dangerous quantities of Gunpowder being kept within the said Town, to the Town of Windsor, were severally read a second time.

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

Mr. Wiswall, pursuant to order, presented a Bill providing a pension for Judge Monk, and the said Bill was read a first time.

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

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

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments made by the Council, to the Bill to regulate the transportation of Gunpowder; and also the amendments to the Bill to alter the time of the Sitting of the Interior Court, and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Shelburne: And the said amendments having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said Bills back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the several amendments made by them to the said Bills respectively.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for the encouragement of the Trade of this Province in Plaister of Paris, otherwise called Gypsum ; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to alter the time of the Sitting of the Interior Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Shelburne ; and to enable the Justices of the said County to hold Special Sessions—severally, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Lawson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the preservation of Snipes and Woodcocks : and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time, and the same was read a second time accordingly.

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

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved,* That a conference be desired with the Council, on the subject of the Bill to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in the several Counties and Districts of this Province, and that the Clerk do request the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Roach, Mr. Haliburton and Mr. Archibald, do manage the said conference.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker returned the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had gone through the Bill to revive and continue an Act respecting Aliens coming into this Province, or residing therein ; also, a Bill in amendment of an Act to facilitate the passage across the Harbour of Halifax ; also, a Bill for the better regulating the manner of holding the Inferior Court and Sessions of the Peace in the County of Sydney ; also a Bill for appointing Commissioners for Light-Houses ; also, a Bill providing an annual pension for Judge Monk ; also, a Bill for the Preservation of Snipes and Woodcocks ; and also, a Bill to extend the provisions of an Act to give power to the Firewards in the Town of Halifax to prevent dangerous quantities of Gunpowder being kept within the said Town, to the Town of Windsor, —and that he was directed by the committee to report the said Bills, severally, without any amendment ; and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's table.

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

Ordered, That the Bills be engrossed.

The Address to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent being engrossed by the Clerk pursuant to Order, and also read to the House, and signed by the Speaker in behalf of the House ; thereupon,

Resolved, That Mr. Speaker do wait upon his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with the said Address, and, in the name of the House, request that his Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to his Majesty's Ministers by the earliest conveyance.

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

Thursday, 21st March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker reported, that, pursuant to the resolution of the House yesterday, he had waited upon, and delivered to, his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the Address of the House to his Royal Highness the Prince Regent ; and that his Excellency was pleased to say that he would transmit the same to his Majesty's Minister by the Packet now about sailing for England.

An engrossed Bill for appointing Commissioners for Light-Houses was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to authorise the appointing Commissioners for Light-Houses.

An engrossed Bill, providing an annual pension for Judge Monk, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act providing an annual Pension for Judge Monk, on his retiring from Office.

An engrossed Bill for the better regulating the manner of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Sydney, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for the better regulating the manner of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Sydney.

An engrossed Bill for the preservation of Snipes and Woodcocks was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for the Preservation of Snipes and Woodcocks.

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An engrossed Bill to revive and continue an Act respecting Aliens coming into this Province, or residing therein, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to revive and continue an Act respecting Aliens coming into this Province, or residing therein.

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

On motion of Mr. Lawson, *resolved*, that a committee be appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to request that his Excellency would be pleased to direct that the late Collector of Impost and Excise for the District of Liverpool, do pay into the Treasury of the Province the balance in his hands due to the Province, and if not paid to direct the proper Officer to enforce the payment of the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. Pryor and Mr. Chipman, be a committee for the above purpose.

The Clerk reported that the Council had agreed to the conference on the subject of the Supreme Court Bill, as desired yesterday.

Ordered, That the Managers do attend at the conference accordingly.

And the Names of the Managers were called over.

And they went to the conference;

And being returned,

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

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

Mr. Speaker,

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

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

And being returned,

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

An Act for the encouragement of the Trade of this Province in Plaister of Paris, otherwise called Gypsum.

An Act to continue in force the several Acts therein mentioned.

An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the encouragement of Inland Navigation.

An Act to alter the time of the Sitting of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas,

Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of Shelburne ; and to enable the Justices of the said County to hold Special Sessions.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a conference by committee, on the subject of the Bill for Paving Water-Street in the Town of Halifax.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor-General, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Pryor and Mr. Mortimer, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference ;

And being returned,

Mr. Solicitor-General reported, that the Managers had been at the conference ; and he stated the substance of the conference to the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a further Conference by committee on the subject of the Supreme Court Bill.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Resolved, That this House doth agree to a further conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That the Managers who managed the last conference do manage this conference ;

And the names of the Managers were called over ;

And they went to the conference accordingly.

And being returned,

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the transportation of Gunpowder, from place to place within the Province ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act for the better regulating the manner of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Sydney ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to revive and continue an Act respecting Aliens coming into this Province, or residing therein ; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act providing an annual Pension for Judge Monk, on his retiring from Office ; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act for the preservation of Snipes and Woodcocks.
And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House: and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table where they were read, and are as follow:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of two hundred pounds should be paid to H. H. Cogswell, Esq. the Deputy Secretary of the Province, for his Services since the year 1811, and including the year 1816, in making out Road Commissions, Bonds, &c. and for making out Warrants for the above service.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of fifty pounds should be granted to enable the inhabitants of Blandford, to the Westward of Alhmatogan, to communicate with the main road leading from Halifax by the way of St. Margaret's Bay to Chester, in the County of Lunenburg.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of one thousand five hundred pounds, should be granted for the procuring and importing grain and seeds of various kinds, to be distributed amongst indigent persons in the several Counties and Districts in this Province, by Commissioners to be appointed by his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for that purpose.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of one hundred pounds should be granted to Isaiah Smith, to aid him in establishing the running of a Stage Coach from Halifax to Windsor. The Money not to be drawn from the Treasury until sufficient security shall be given in double the sum, that the said Stage shall continue to run regularly for twelve months from the time it commenced.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of one hundred pounds should be granted to such person or persons as shall Establish a Stage Coach, to run from Halifax to Pictou. The said Money not to be drawn from the Treasury until sufficient security shall be given to run the said Stage regularly once in a fortnight, at the least for the term of twelve months.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of five thousand pounds, should be granted towards erecting the Province House, to be drawn for, by warrant from the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief, on the Treasury, and expended under the direction of the Commissioners appointed for the said building.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of fifty pounds,

pounds, should be granted to the person or persons who shall be appointed by the Court of Sessions in the County of Lunenburg, to keep a Ferry at Lahave River, on the main road from Lunenburg to Liverpool, to enable him to provide a good and sufficient Boat or Scow, for the purpose of carrying over the said river, horses and carriages;—to be drawn by warrant from his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, upon the certificate of the Court of Sessions aforesaid that such Boat or Scow is provided for the purposes aforesaid.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of one hundred pounds should be granted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be distributed by him in Bounties, at the rate of twenty pounds to each of the first four Farmers or Carriers who shall set up, in any of the Townships in the County of Hants, and constantly use the same as may be required in carrying Loads from such Township or Townships on the main road from Halifax to Windsor, a Cart or Waggon, with the Felloes of the Wheels at least eight inches, with Iron Tires the same width; *Provided*, the same shall pass the said road from the County of Hants, with a Load, at least twelve times in the year to Halifax, or security given for that purpose; and twenty pounds to the first person who shall set up as aforesaid, a Cart or Waggon of the above description, and use the same as aforesaid, on the Road between Halifax and Truro, and will pass the same road from Truro to Halifax, with a load at least nine times in the year, or give security as aforesaid.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply: which report the House agreed to.

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

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

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

Friday, 22d March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the first year of his Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, Bridges and Streets, and for appointing Surveyors of Highways, within the several Townships in this Province; and also of an Act, passed in the fifth year of his Majesty's Reign, in addition to, and amendment thereof: without any amendment.

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

200l. to H. H. Cogswell;

50l.

30l. for a road from Blandford leading to Halifax ;
 1500l. for purchasing Grain and Seeds ;
 100l. to Isaiah Smith ;

5000l. for the Province House ;
 100l. for Bounties on Broad-Wheeled Carriages.

The Council have not agreed to two Resolutions of this House for granting the following sums, viz.

50l. for a Boat or Scow for Lahave Ferry ;
 100l. for a Stage Coach from Halifax to Pictou.

The Council request a conference by committee, on the Bill for appointing Commissioners for Light-Houses.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Lawton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in amendment of the Acts for regulating the exportation of Fish, &c. and for appointing proper Officers for measuring Grain, Salt, &c. and the same was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion, *resolved*, That this House doth agree to the conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Pryor and Mr. Mortimer, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference ;

And being returned,

Mr. Ritchie reported, that the Managers had been at the conference ; and he stated the substance of the conference to the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this House, for granting 1200l. for paving Water-street in the Town of Halifax.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to authorise the appointing Commissioners for Light-Houses ; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax to Pave Water-Street in the same Town : with several amendments to the said Bills respectively : to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the several amendments made by the Council, to the abovementioned Bills, and the same having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the several amendments made by them to the same respectively.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee that they had made further progress in the business to them referred : and that the committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply : which report the House agreed to.

Mr. Shaw, pursuant to leave given, presented a petition of Christopher Benson and others, and the same was read, praying an aid for deepening the Annapolis river, and removing obstructions to the navigation of the same as far up as the township of Aylesford, for the encouragement of ship building, and towards which a sum of money has been subscribed by a number of the Inhabitants.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until Tomorrow, at eleven of the clock.

Saturday, 23d March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to extend the provisions of an Act to give power to the Firewards of the Town of Halifax, to prevent dangerous quantities of Gunpowder being kept within the said Town, to the Town of Windsor, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act to extend the provisions of an Act to give power to the Firewards of the Town of Halifax, to prevent dangerous quantities of Gunpowder being kept within the said Town, and Harbour thereof, to the Town of Windsor.

An engrossed Bill in amendment of the Act to facilitate the passage across the Harbour, of Halifax, was read a third time.

Resolved That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the fifty-fifth year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to facilitate the passage across the Harbour of Halifax.

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

On motion, *resolved,* That this House entertains a high sense of the zeal and ability with which Nathaniel Atcheson, Esq. has solicited many important commercial privileges for this Province ; but at the same time it is the determination of this House not to acknowledge itself a party to any measure that shall be solicited otherwise than through the medium of the Speaker, or of a Joint Committee of this House and His Majesty's Council, or through the regular

gular channel of the Legislature, and signified by the King's Representative.

Ordered, That the petition of Lewis M'Donald and others; the petition of the Trustees of the School on the Manchester road; the petition of John Marshall; the petition of Raymond La Liberte; the petition of Robert Bolman; the petition of James Noble Shannon & Co. be referred to the committee of Supply.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House: and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table where they were read, and are as follow:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of one hundred and eleven pounds two shillings and two pence half penny, should be granted to Nathaniel Atcheson, Esq. for his services for the present year, in soliciting and obtaining on the part of the Province, many important commercial privileges.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of fifty pounds should be granted to Captain Kenah, for his exertions in bringing to the House certain Despatches and Communications from the Legislature of New-Brunswick.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of four hundred pounds should be granted towards the completion of the Pier at Point Arisag on the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of twenty-five pounds should be allowed and paid to the Trustees of a School on the Manchester Road, so called, in the County of Sydney, to enable them to pay their Schoolmaster one year's pay, as allowed by an Act of the Legislature, which they could not obtain for want of the proper form of certificate.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of fifty pounds should be granted and paid to Lewis M'Donald, John Grant, Donald M'Leod, John Gillis, and John M'Donald, Trustees of a School at Arisag, in the County of Sydney, to enable them to pay their Schoolmaster two years' arrears of pay, agreeable to an Act of the Legislature, which allowance has not been obtained for want of the proper form of certificate.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply: which report the House agreed to.

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

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

A Bill in amendment of the Acts for regulating the exportation of Fish, &c. and for appointing proper Officers for measuring Grain, Salt, &c. was read a second time.

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act to extend the provisions of an Act to give power to the Firewards of the Town of Halifax, to prevent dangerous quantities of Gunpowder being kept within the said Town, and Harbour thereof, to the Town of Windsor; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the fifty-fifth year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to facilitate the passage across the Harbour of Halifax; also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorise the appointing Commissioners for Light-Houses; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax to Pave Water-Street in the same Town: severally without any amendment.

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

111l. 2s. 2d. to Nathaniel Atcheson.

400l. for the Pier at Point Arisag.

50l. to Capt. Kenah.

50l. to Lewis McDonald and others.

25l. to the Trustees of the School on the Manchester Road.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, *resolved*, That a further conference be desired with the Council, on the subject of the Supreme Court Bill, and that the Clerk do request the same.

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

Ordered, That the Managers who managed the last conference do manage this conference;

And the Names of the Managers were called over.

And they went to the conference;

And being returned,

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

Mr. Wiswall, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for altering the time of holding the Court of Common Pleas at Digby; and the same was read a first time.

Resolved,

Resolved, That the Bill be now read a second time, and the same was read a second time accordingly.

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

On motion, *resolved*, that the amendments made by the Council to the Pictou Academy Bill, be committed to a Committee of the whole House and thereupon,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the said amendments, and also of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Wells took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill for altering the time of the Sitting of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas at Digby; also, the Bill in amendment of the Acts for regulating the exportation of Fish, &c. and for appointing proper Officers for measuring Grain, Salt, &c. : and that the committee had directed him to report the said Bills, severally, without any amendment. That the Committee had gone through the engrossed Bill from the Council to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in the several Counties and Districts of this Province : and had made several amendments thereunto, which they had directed him to report to the House. And that the Committee had also gone through the amendments made by the Council to the Pictou Academy Bill, part of which amendments the Committee had agreed to, and part rejected ; and further, that the Committee recommended that a Conference should be held with the Council on the subject matter of the said amendments : and he afterwards delivered the said Bills, and the respective amendments to the same, in at the Clerk's table.

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

The amendments to the Supreme Court Bill were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bills, as passed in Committee without amendment, be engrossed.

Resolved, That a conference be desired with the Council, by committee, on the subject matter of certain amendments made by the Council to the Pictou Academy Bill, and that the Clerk do request the same.

The Clerk reported that the Council had agreed to the Conference as desired by the House : and thereupon,

Ordered, That Mr. Mortimer, Mr. Archibald and Mr. Solicitor-General, do manage the said conference.

And they went to the conference accordingly.

And being returned,

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

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Pyke took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred: and that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply: which report the House agreed to.

Mr Lawson reported from the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Resolution of the House, passed on the 21st instant, respecting the late Collector of Impost and Excise, at Liverpool, that the committee had waited upon and delivered to his Excellency a copy of the said Resolution; and that his Excellency had been pleased to say that he would give the necessary directions for carrying the wishes of the House into effect.

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

Monday, 25th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in the several Counties and Districts of this Province; and also the engrossed amendments to the said Bill, were severally read a third time.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same with several amendments.

An engrossed Bill for altering the time of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas at Digby, was read a third time.

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

An engrossed Bill in amendment of the Acts for regulating the exportation of Fish, &c. and for appointing proper Officers for measuring Grain, Salt, &c. was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act in addition to and amendment of an Act, passed in the second year of his Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for regulating the exportation of Fish, and the affize of Barrels, Staves, Hoops, Boards, and all other kinds of Lumber, and

for appointing officers to Survey the same; and also of an Act, passed in the thirty-second year of his Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for Establishing the standard weight of Grain, and for appointing proper Officers for measuring Grain, Salt and Coals, and ascertaining the standard size of Bricks, and the quantity of Lime to be contained in a Hoghead.

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

On Motion, *ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Picou Academy Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that the House had agreed to the amendments made by the Council to the said Bill.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Collectors of Impost and Excise at the several Ports and Places in this Province, be authorized to deduct a Commission of five per Cent. only, on all sums collected and paid, or hereafter to be collected from the duty on the Exportation of Plaister of Paris, and by them paid into the Treasury.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and that the committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House: and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read, and are as follow:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the sum of nine pounds nineteen shillings and one penny, should be granted and paid to John Merrick, in full, for sundry glazing performed for the use of the Building occupied by the Legislature, per account.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of twenty three pounds six shillings and eight pence, should be granted and paid to John Marshall, Esq. for his services in prosecuting two Criminals for Capital Offences, at the Court in Sydney, when the late Judge Hutchinson presided.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of five pounds sixteen shillings and eight pence should be granted to John Boyd, Clerk to the Commissioners of the Poor for sundry Returns of the transient Poor and Refugee Blacks, furnished to the House of Assembly in the last Session pursuant to their order.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of five hundred pounds should be granted and placed under the direction of his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief, to defray the expense of Browning the Arms now in the possession of the Militia, composing the different Battalions throughout the Province.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of seven pounds two shillings and seven pence half penny should be granted to John Howe and David Howe for sundry articles of Stationary supplied for the use of the Commissioners appointed to negotiate a Loan for the Province in the year 1812, per account.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of nineteen pounds two shillings should be granted to Raymond Lé Liberte, for a Draw-back of the Excise Duty on certain articles of Merchandize exported by him from Halifax to Baltimore, in the Schooner Alicia, in May last, and there landed.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of ten pounds should be granted to the Clerk of the Council, to defray the expense of Fuel furnished for the Council during the present Session.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of thirty pounds should be granted to the person or persons who shall be appointed by the Court of Sessions in the County of Lunenburg to keep a Ferry at Lahave River, on the main Road from Lunenburg to Liverpool, to enable such person to provide a good and sufficient Boat or Scow for the purpose of carrying over the said River Horses and Carriages; to be drawn by warrant of his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, upon the certificate of the Court of Sessions aforesaid, that such Boat or Scow is provided for the purpose aforesaid.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of ten pounds ten shillings should be granted to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, to defray the expense of Fuel for the use of the House of Assembly, during the present Session.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of sixteen pounds five shillings and nine pence, should be granted to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, to defray the expense of Stationary supplied for the use of His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly, during the present Session.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of one hundred pounds should be granted to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, to defray the expense of extra Clerks, Servants, and other incidental expenses during the present Sessions, and also for discharging sundry accounts for articles furnished, and services performed for the House of Assembly.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of eleven pounds thirteen shillings and four pence should be granted to Robert Bolman, for his services in prosecuting a criminal indicted for Murder at the Court of Sessions at Liverpool, in the month of November last.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of ninety-three pounds two shillings and three pence should be granted to Thomas Davison and William Corbet, in full, for a bounty on a cargo of Salt imported from Liverpool in Great-Britain, to the Port of Picou, and there sold on the twelfth day of June last, under the Act of the Province.

Resolved,

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the Collector of Impost and Excise for the District of Colchester should be authorized to remit the Duty secured by William Polluck on a certain cargo of Plaister of Paris, shipped by him in the Schooner Sukey, at the River Shubenaccadie, for Passamaquoddie, and which Plaister was totally lost, together with the said Vessel, in the Bay of Passamaquoddie about the first day of December last.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that a sum of eleven pounds thirteen shillings and four pence should be granted to James N. Shannon & Co. for a Drawback of the Duties on 350 gallons of Rum, part of their stock remaining on hand the 11th day of April last, per certificate.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this committee, that his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor should be authorized to pay out of the Monies granted for the repairs of the great Road leading to Truro, the sum of thirty-five pounds to John M'Keen, as a compensation for the land occupied by the alteration of the great Road through his improvements, which alteration was made under the direction of Robert Berry, when Supervisor for the road; provided the said M'Keen shall release to the Public his right to the said road.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply: which report the House agreed to.

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

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the amendments made by the House to the Bill, entitled, An Act to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in the several Counties and Districts of this Province.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for altering the time of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace at Digby, in the County of Annapolis; and also,

A Bill, entitled, An Act in addition to and in amendment of an Act, passed in the second year of his Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for regulating the exportation of Fish, and the affize of Barrels, Staves, Hoops, Boards, and all other kinds of Lumber, and for appointing Officers to survey the same; and also of an Act, passed in the thirty-second year of his Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to revive and amend an Act for Establishing the standard weight of Grain, and for appointing proper officers for measuring Grain, Salt and Coals, and ascertaining the standard size of Bricks, and the quantity of Lime to be contained in a Hogshead: severally, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

It appearing to the House, by the inspection of the Public Accounts, that his Majesty's Attorney-General has retained in his hands the sum of four hundred and fifteen pounds thirteen shillings, as Commissions upon Money collected by him upon Bonds placed in his hands to collect on account of the Province, which is not authorised by Law ; thereupon,

Resolved, unanimously, That His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be requested to direct the Attorney-General to pay the above sum into the Public Treasury.

Ordered, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Chipman, Mr. Mortimer, and Mr. Archibald, be a committee to wait upon His Excellency with the foregoing Resolution.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

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

- 9l. 19s. 1d. to John Merrick ;
- 23l. 6s. 8d. to John Marshall ;
- 5l. 16s. 8d. to John Boyd ;
- 500l. for Browning Militia Arms ;
- 7l. 2s. 7½d. to John and David Howe ;
- 19l. 2s. to Raymond La Liberte ;
- 10l. to the Clerk of the Council, for Fuel ;
- 30l. for the Ferry at Lahave ;
- 10l. 10s. to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, for Fuel ;
- 16l. 5s. 9d. to Ditto for Stationary ;
- 100l. to Ditto for extra Clerks, &c. ;
- 11l. 13s. 4d. to Robert Bolman ;
- 95l. 2s. 3d. to Thomas Davison and William Corbett ;
- 11l. 13s. 4d. to James N. Shannon and Co ;

The Council have agreed to the Resolution in favour of William Polluck, and also the Resolution in favour of John M'Keen.

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for founding, establishing and maintaining, an Academy at Pictou, in this Province, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Pyke took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The chairman reported from the committee that they had gone through the business to them referred, and had come to several Resolutions thereupon : upon which they had framed a Bill for applying certain monies therein mentioned for the service of the present year : and he read the report in his place,

place, and afterwards delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table, where the several clauses therein contained, were severally read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

On motion the said Bill was read a first time.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

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

Tuesday, 26th March, 1816.

PRAYERS.

An Engrossed Bill for applying certain Monies therein mentioned, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.

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

Mr. Lawson reported from the committee appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with the Resolution of the House passed yesterday on the subject of the commission taken by the Attorney-General, on money collected by him for the Province; that the committee had waited upon, and delivered to, his Excellency a copy of the said Resolution, and that his Excellency had been pleased to inform the committee that he would communicate the contents of the same to the Attorney-General whenever he should return to town, being at present absent in the Country.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Cogswell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to a Bill, entitled, An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by Mr. Deputy Secretary Cogswell :

Mr. Speaker,

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

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker with the House went up to attend His Excellency in the Council Chamber : where His Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the several Bills following, viz.—

An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act, passed in the second year of his Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for regulating the exportation of Fish, and the assize of Barrels, Staves, Hoops, Boards, and all other kinds of Lumber, and for appointing Officers to survey the same ; and also of an Act, passed in the thirty-second year of his Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to revive and amend an Act for Establishing the standard weight of Grain, and for appointing proper officers for measuring Grain, Salt and Coals, and ascertaining the standard size of Bricks, and the quantity of Lime to be contained in a Hogshead.

An Act in amendment of an Act, passed in the first year of his present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for repairing and mending Highways, Roads, Bridges and Streets, and for appointing Surveyors of Highways, within the several Townships in this Province ; and also of an Act, passed in the fifth year of his said Majesty's reign, in addition to and amendment thereof.

An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, to Pave Water-Street in the same Town.

An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the fifty-fifth year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to facilitate the passage across the Harbour of Halifax.

An Act to revive and continue an Act respecting Aliens coming into this Province, or residing therein.

An Act to extend the provisions of an Act to give power to the Firewards of the Town of Halifax to prevent dangerous quantities of Gunpowder being kept within the said Town, and Harbour thereof, to the Town of Windsor.

An Act for founding, establishing and maintaining, an Academy at Pictou, in this Province.

An Act for the better regulating the manner of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, in the County of Sydney.

An Act to alter and extend the times of holding the Supreme Court in the several Counties and Districts of this Province.

An Act for altering the time of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, at Digby, in the County of Annapolis.

An Act to authorise the appointing Commissioners for Light-Houses.

An Act to regulate the transportation of Gunpowder, from place to place, within this Province.

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An Act providing an annual Pension for Judge Monk, on his retiring from Office.

An Act for the Preservation of Snipes and Woodcocks.

After which Mr. Speaker spake as follows:

May it please your Excellency,

I BEG leave to present to your Excellency, on the behalf of the Commons of Nova Scotia, a Bill for appropriating the Supplies granted in the present Session for the support of his Majesty's Government for the present year; and to request your Excellency's Assent to the same.

His Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the Bill following. Viz. —

An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.

His Excellency was then pleased to make the following **SPEECH**:—

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council;
Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:*

THE diligence and attention you have so judiciously manifested in expediting the business of this Session, enables me to close it at an earlier period than usual.

I have, therefore, great pleasure in releasing you from further attendance; and at the same time in offering you my acknowledgments for the liberal Supplies you have granted for the Public Services of the current year.

J. C. SHERBROOKE.

Afterwards the President of His Majesty's Council, by His Excellency's Command, said:

Gentlemen,

IT is His Excellency's Will and Pleasure, that this General Assembly be prorogued to Thursday the twentieth day of June next, to be then here held; and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the twentieth day of June next.