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#### HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

FREDERICTON, TUESDAY, 5th JULY, 1808.

**T**HE GENERAL ASSEMBLY having been Prorogued to this Day, then to meet for the dispatch of Business. The House met accordingly.

A MESSAGE was delivered from His HONOR the PRESIDENT requiring the attendance of this House in the Council Chamber. The House attended accordingly and being returned, Read a first time, "A Bill for the better encouragement of Agriculture and Fishery." The *Speaker* then reported that the House had attended His HONOR the PRESIDENT in the Council Chamber, when His HONOR was pleased to make the following SPEECH to both Houses, and that to prevent mistakes he had procured a copy of the same, which he read in his place, and is as follows, to wit:

" *Gentlemen of the Council,*

" *and Gentlemen of the Assembly,*

" His MAJESTY having thought fit to direct the most active measures to be taken for strengthening the defences of the British possessions in North America, and having been graciously pleased at the same time to express his reliance upon the Legislatures of the respective Provinces for making every exertion consistent with their internal resources, with a view to the General Defence; it became my duty on being appointed to the Administration of this Government, to give you without delay an opportunity in General Assembly, to fulfil His MAJESTY's just expectations, on this momentous occasion, by such legal Provisions, as our situation may require, and by making such amendments as may be necessary in the present Law for regulating the Militia of this Province.

" These are the principal objects that I have at present to recommend to your consideration, such further particulars as I may have to suggest shall be communicated by Message.

" *Gentlemen of the Assembly,*

" I have ordered the Treasurer's Accounts, and such other documents as he may be able to furnish for your information to be laid before you, of such expences as it may now be necessary to provide for, in addition to  
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“ the ordinary services of the Province, you will be able to form a judgment when the steps to be taken for training the Militia, shall have been duly discussed and ascertained.

“ *Gentlemen of the Council,*  
“ *and Gentlemen of the Assembly,*

“ I have the fullest confidence in your dutiful attachment to His MAJESTY's person and Government, and in your zeal for the public welfare; “ I cannot therefore but anticipate such a result from your deliberations on “ the important subjects now before you, as will merit the gracious approbation of His MAJESTY, and the grateful acknowledgments of a brave “ and loyal people.”

On Motion, Resolved, that an Address be presented to His Honor the PRESIDENT in answer to the foregoing Speech.

Ordered, that Mr. *Agnew*, Mr. *Robinson*, Mr. *Johnston*, and Mr. *Miles*, be a Committee to prepare the same.

Mr. *William Anderson* having produced a Patent under the Great Seal appointing him Clerk of this House in the room of *Dugald Campbell*, Esquire, resigned, and it appearing by the indorsments on the same, that he had taken the necessary Oaths of Office. Ordered; that the same be entered on the Journals.

The House in Committee, Mr. *William Pagan* in the Chair, took into consideration, His Honor the PRESIDENT's Speech. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had gone into consideration of the Speech, but had come to no resolution. Ordered, that the further consideration be postponed till to-morrow.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'Clock.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 1808.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Agnew* from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in answer to His Honor the PRESIDENT's Speech, reported that the Committee had agreed to a Draught of the same, which he read in his place and then delivered in at the Clerk's table: where the same being again read, and agreed to, is as follows, to wit:

“ *To the Honorable MARTIN HUNTER, Esquire, President of His Majesty's Council, and Commander in Chief of the Province of New-Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.*

“ The Humble Address of the House of Assembly.

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOR!

“ The House of Assembly duly impressed with gratitude to His MAJESTY for the paternal care he has ever manifested for the safety and happiness of his faithful subjects in New-Brunswick, beg leave to express the high sense they entertain of the recent instance of his goodness in the appointment.

“pointment of your HONOR to the Administration of the Government of  
“the Province and the Command of the Troops appointed for its defence.

“His MAJESTY’S reliance on the Legislatures of his different Provinces  
“for making every exertion for the general defence, we confidently hope  
“will not be found misplaced when we give the strongest assurances that  
“our exertions will be fully equal to our internal resources.

“The thanks of this House are humbly offered to your HONOR for the  
“early opportunity you have been pleased to give the Legislature of ex-  
“pressing their gratitude and of fulfilling His MAJESTY’S just expectations  
“on the present momentous occasion, by such legal provisions as our situa-  
“tion may require, and by such amendments of the Militia Law, as will  
“render it more adequate to the purpose of real security and actual defence:

“Such communications as your HONOR may think proper to lay before  
“the House by Message will command every attention the different objects  
“may require.

“They thank your HONOR for having ordered the Treasurer’s Accounts,  
“and such other documents as may tend to their information to be laid be-  
“fore them; and they will take into serious consideration such expences as  
“it may be necessary to provide for in addition to the ordinary services of  
“the Province, of which they will be better able to form a judgment, when  
“the Militia arrangements shall have been ascertained.

“The confidence your HONOR reposes in the dutiful attachment of the  
“Province to His MAJESTY’S person and Government, is highly pleasing to  
“the House of Assembly, and they trust your HONOR will continue to en-  
“joy the same confidence in their zeal on every occasion to promote the  
“public welfare, and thereby meet the grateful acknowledgments of a brave  
“and loyal people, as well as merit the approbation of their most gracious  
“Sovereign.” Ordered, that the same be signed by the *Speaker*, and pre-  
sented by the whole House.

Mr. *Jarvis* presented a Petition of the Court of Sessions for the City and  
County of *Saint John*, praying that the Justices of the Sessions for the Coun-  
ty may be empowered to make an Assessment on the Inhabitants to enable  
them to discharge, certain debts, and unavoidable expences, arising from  
the public Administration of Justice. Thereupon Ordered, that leave be  
given to bring in a Bill for that purpose.

The House in Committee, Mr. *W. Pagan* in the Chair, went into further  
consideration of the PRESIDENT’S Speech. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair,  
the Chairman reported that it was the opinion of the Committee; that a  
Committee be appointed to bring in a Bill in amendment of the Acts regu-  
lating the Militia. Which report was agreed to, and Mr. *M. Kay*, Mr.  
*M. Lean*, Mr. *Robinson*, Mr. *Coffin*, Mr. *Peters*, and Mr. *Leonard* were ap-  
pointed accordingly.

The House Adjourned until to-morrow 11 o’Clock.

THURSDAY,

THURSDAY, JULY 7, 1808.

## PRAYERS.

A Message was received from His HONOR the PRESIDENT, to wit:

“ *New-Brunswick—Message to the House of Assembly, 7th July, 1808.* ”

(Signed) MARTIN HUNTER.

“ The PRESIDENT directs to be herewith laid before the House of Assembly an extract of a Letter from the Right Honorable Lord *Castlereagh* to Lieut. General Sir *James Craig*, K. B. respecting the steps necessary to be taken for training the Militia, and for providing for the defence of His MAJESTY’S North American Colonies, and recommends the same to the consideration of the House. ” M. H.”

The *Speaker* communicated to the House that he had received Letters from *R. Pagan*, Esqr. Member for *Charlotte County*, and *James Fraser*, Esqr. Member for *Northumberland*, giving reasons for their not being able to attend the present Session.

The House Adjourned till to-morrow 11 o’Clock.

FRIDAY, JULY 8, 1808.

## PRAYERS.

Ordered, that Mr. *Agnew* and Mr. *Porter* wait upon His HONOR the PRESIDENT to know when he will be pleased to receive this House with their Address in answer to His HONOR’S Speech.

Read the first time, “ A Bill to enable the Justices of the City and County of *Saint John*, to Assess the same, for the purpose of defraying certain contingent expences of the Court of Sessions.”

Mr. *Agnew* and Mr. *Porter* returned, and reported that they had waited upon His HONOR the PRESIDENT agreeable to the orders of the House, and that he was pleased to say he would receive the House with their Address at 2 o’Clock this day in the Council Chamber.

The House waited upon His HONOR the PRESIDENT with their Address in answer to His HONOR’S Speech at the opening of the Session; and being returned, the *Speaker* reported, that he had presented the same, to which His HONOR was pleased to make the following reply, to wit:

“ GENTLEMEN,

“ I thank you for the expressions of congratulation contained in this Address, and for the assurances you give me of your exertions to fulfil His MAJESTY’S just expectations on the present momentous occasion, which I confidently hope may be crowned with success.

The House then Adjourned till to-morrow 11 o’Clock.

SATURDAY,

SATURDAY, JULY 9, 1808.

PRAYERS.

Read the second time; "A Bill to enable the Justices of the City and County of *Saint John*, to Assess the same, for the purposes of defraying "certain contingent expences of the Court of Sessions." Ordered, that the said Bill be committed.

The House then Adjourned until Monday 11 o'Clock.

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MONDAY, JULY 11, 1808.

PRAYERS.

The *Treasurer's* Accounts by order of His Honor the PRESIDENT were laid before the House. Thereupon Ordered; that Mr. *Agnew*; Mr. *Gilbert*, and Mr. *Porter* be a Committee to examine and report upon the same.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'Clock.

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TUESDAY, JULY 12, 1808.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Miles* by leave presented a Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Sunbury*, praying that Seines may be prohibited from being drawn and Nets set at the Thoroughfares leading into the *Grand* and *Maquapit Lakes*. Thereupon Ordered, that he have leave to bring in a Bill for that purpose.

Read the first and second time, a Bill for the greater security of this Province by the better regulating the Militia thereof. Ordered, that the said Bill be committed.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'Clock.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 1808.

PRAYERS.

The House in Committee, Mr. *Robinson* in the Chair, took into consideration the "Bill for the greater security of the Province by the better regulating the Militia thereof." The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had made progress in the business to them referred and asked leave to sit again. Ordered, that the said report be accepted.

Mr. *Coffin* moved for leave to bring in a Bill in amendment of an Act for regulating Fisheries, which was granted accordingly.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'Clock.

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THURSDAY,



THURSDAY, JULY 14, 1808.

PRAYERS.

A Message was received from His Honor the PRESIDENT to the following purport, to wit:

“ NEW-BRUNSWICK.

“ *Message to the House of Assembly, 14th July, 1808.*

(Signed) MARTIN HUNTER.

“ The PRESIDENT directs to be herewith laid before the House of Assembly a Petition of the President and directors of the Public Grammar School in the City of *Saint John*: And a Petition of Messrs. *William Hazen, James Simonds and James White*, and recommends the same to the consideration of the House. “ M. H.”

Also, another Message to the following purport, to wit:

“ NEW-BRUNSWICK.

“ *Message to the House of Assembly, 14th July, 1808.*

(Signed) MARTIN HUNTER.

“ The PRESIDENT directs to be herewith laid before the House of Assembly, an Account of *Jacob S. Mott*, and an Account of Messrs. *Ryan and Durant* for Printing Laws and other public papers, and recommends to the House the making provision for payment of the same. “ M. H.”

Ordered, that the same be referred to the Committee on Private Accounts.

And also, another Message to the following purport, to wit:

“ NEW-BRUNSWICK.

“ *Message to the House of Assembly, 14th July, 1808.*

(Signed) MARTIN HUNTER.

“ The PRESIDENT directs to be herewith laid before the House of Assembly, a letter dated the 9th inst. which he has received from Lieut. Colonel *Wetmore*, representing the case of *Joseph Lutwidge* of the *St. John* Regiment of Militia, and recommends the same to the consideration of the House. “ M. H.”

The House in Committee, Mr. *Robinson* in the Chair, took into further consideration the Bill for the greater security of the Province by the better regulating the Militia thereof. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had made further progress in the Bill before them and asked leave to sit again. Which report was agreed to.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'Clock.

FRIDAY, JULY 15, 1808.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Miles* produced the Accounts of the Commissioners appointed to lay out the sum of 30*l.* in erecting a Bridge over *Swan Creek*. Ordered, that same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts. Mr.

Mr. *W. Pagan* brought in by leave a Bill to regulate the Packing and Inspecting of Salted Beef and Pork for exportation. Which was read a first time.

A Petition of *Phæbe M' Monagle*, widow of the late *Hugh M' Monagle*, was received and read, requesting pecuniary aid of this House. Ordered, that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

A Message was received from the Council that they had passed a "Bill for making process in Courts of Equity effectual against persons who reside out of this Province and cannot be served therewith," which was read a first time.—Also a Bill to alter and amend an "Act intituled an Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce and for preventing Incest, Adultery and Fornication," which was also read a first time.

A Message was received from his Honor the PRESIDENT to the following purport, to wit:

" NEW-BRUNSWICK.

" *Message to the House of Assembly, July 15, 1808.*

" The PRESIDENT directs to be herewith laid before the House of Assembly, an account of expences remaining due upon the importation of the Right Honorable Lord *Sheffield's* picture, and recommends the same to the consideration of the House. " M. H."

Ordered, that the same be referred to the Committee of supply.

The House in Committee, Mr. *Robinson* in the Chair, went into further consideration of the " Bill for the greater security of the Province by the better regulating the Militia thereof." The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the same with amendments. Ordered that the said Bill be engrossed.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'Clock.

SATURDAY, JULY 16, 1808.

PRAYERS.

Read the second time, a Bill for making process in Courts of Equity effectual against persons who reside out of this Province and cannot be served therewith. House in Committee, Mr. *M'Lean* in the Chair, went into consideration of the above-mentioned Bill. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill and had agreed to the same which report was agreed to. Ordered, that the said Bill be returned to the Council.

Mr. *Agnew* from the Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's Accounts, reported as follows, to wit:

The Committee appointed to examine the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Province, report that they have attended to that duty, and find the several Accounts of Mr. *Oliver* to be accurately stated and vouched.

No. 1, Contains a general Account current of the Province of *New-Brunswick*; whereby it appears that there was on the 30th June, 1808, Bonds and Cash in the Chest to the amount of *L.1795:14:7.* No. 2,

No. 2, Contains an Account of Duties collected in the Port of *Saint John* from the 27th January, 1807, to the 30th June, 1808, amounting to *L.4819:4:4*.

No. 3, Contains the Light-House Account balance credited in general Account current *L.60:0:1½*.

No. 4, Contains an Account of Warrants paid between the 27th January, 1807, and the 1st July, 1808, amounting to *L.3507:9:0½*.

No. 5 and 6, Contain the Gauger's Accounts against the Province, amounting to *L.50:19:6*, between the 27th January, 1807, and 1st July, 1808.

No. 7, Contains the Treasurer's Account of stationary and postage against the Province between the 27th January, 1807, and the 1st July, 1808, amounting to *L.7:12:7*.

The Committee report that the Treasurer produced to them a Certificate signed by the *Attorney-General*, the *Solicitor-General* and Mr. *William Pagan*, of the burning of the old Province Notes to the amount of *L.4972:10* there therefore appears missing the sum of *L.27:10*, making the whole amount of *L.5000* originally made.

The Committee report that the sum of *L.1500* new Notes have been since made of which the sum of *L.1489* are outstanding without reckoning the interest due thereon.

And the Committee further report that no return had been made to the Treasurer from his Deputy in *Westmorland* since the last meeting of the House, nor any return whatever from the Auctioneers of the Province.

Mr. *Coffin* by leave brought in "A Bill to ascertain the rights of Fishery," which was read a first time.

Read the second time, a Bill to alter and amend an Act intituled an Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce and for preventing and punishing Incest, Adultery and Fornication.

The House in Committee, Mr. *W. Pagan* in the Chair, went into consideration of a Bill to alter and amend an Act intituled an Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce and for preventing and punishing Incest, Adultery and Fornication. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill and had agreed to the same; which report was agreed to. Ordered, that the said Bill be returned to the Council.

The House then Adjourned until Monday next 11 o'Clock.



MONDAY, JULY 18, 1808.

PRAYERS.

Read as engrossed, the Bill for the greater security of the Province by the better regulating the Militia thereof.

On Motion made and seconded whether the words "fifteen days in each and every year" be struck out of the 18th Section of this Bill, and ten days be inserted in the room thereof. The House divided when there appeared,

YEAS.

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Mr. Peters,  
Mr. Agnew,  
Mr. Porter,  
Mr. Jarvis,  
Mr. Johnston,  
Mr. Gilbert,  
Mr. Price,  
Mr. Yeamans.

## NAYS.

Mr. M'Lean,  
Mr. Davidson,  
Mr. Miles,  
Mr. Robinson,  
Mr. M'Kay,  
Mr. Coffin,  
Mr. W. Pagan,  
Mr. Leonard,  
Mr. Easterbrooks.

Whereupon the Motion passed in the negative.

And on reading of the 19th Section, to wit:

“ *And be it further enacted*, That all persons of the age above-mentioned shall assemble by Regiments or detachments in each County, one day in every year (or three days if the Commander in Chief shall so order and direct) for the purpose of training and disciplining as aforesaid. Due notice of the time and place of such general trainings to be transmitted to the Commander in Chief, by such Commanding Officer, in order that an opportunity may be afforded the Inspecting Field Officer to attend the same, and whenever the PRESIDENT or Commander in Chief shall deem it necessary to exercise or review any Regiment or detachment as aforesaid, more than one day in any one year, the Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Drummers, Fifers and Privates of such Regiments or detachment so assembled shall be entitled to receive the like pay and allowances as is herein after provided for the Militia when on actual service.”

“ And all and every person neglecting to attend or refusing to perform their duty at such district or general training, or shall not appear with his arms, accoutrements and ammunition as herein before directed; shall be subject to the same fines and penalties as are imposed for neglect of duty on training days, regulated in the sixth Section of this Act: *Provided always*, that the Commander in Chief may whenever he may deem the Militia sufficiently trained and disciplined, be and is hereby authorised by Proclamation or order directed to the Commanding Officer of any Regiment, to dispense with or lessen so much and such parts of the duties required by this Act as to him may seem meet.”

It was moved and seconded that the following words be struck out, to wit:

“ Three days if the Commander in Chief shall so order and direct,” and also “ and whenever the PRESIDENT or Commander in Chief shall deem it necessary to exercise or review any Regiment or detachment as aforesaid, more than one day in any one year, the Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Drummers, Fifers and Privates of such Regiments or detachment so assembled, shall be entitled to receive the like pay and allowances as is herein after provided for the Militia when on actual service.”

Whereupon the House divided, when there appeared,

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Mr. Davidson,  
Mr. Jarvis,  
Mr. Porter,  
Mr. Agnew,

## NAYS.

Mr. M'Lean,  
Mr. Miles,  
Mr. Robinson,  
Mr. M'Kay,

Mr. Peters,  
Mr. Johnston,  
Mr. Gilbert,  
Mr. Price,  
Mr. Yeamans,  
Mr. Easterbrooks.

Mr. Coffin,  
Mr. W. Pagan,  
Mr. Leonard.

It therefore passed in the affirmative.

The House in Committee, Mr. *Peters* in the Chair, went into consideration of the Bill to enable the Justices of the City and County of *Saint John*, to assess the same for the purpose of defraying certain contingent expences of the Court of Sessions. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had made progress in the business to them referred and asked leave to sit again. The House agreed to the report.

Mr. *Coffin* by leave brought in a Bill to make more effectual provision for the repairing the Aboideau or Bridge across the Marsh Creek in the City and County of *Saint John*.

Read the second time, the Bill in amendment of an Act for regulating Fisheries. Ordered, that the said Bill be committed.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'Clock.



TUESDAY, JULY 19, 1808.

PRAYERS.

The *Speaker* informed the House that he had received a Letter from Mr. *Wilson*, Member for *Westmorland*, giving reasons for his not being able to attend the present Session.

Read the second time, a Bill to regulate the Packing of Salted Beef and Pork for exportation. Ordered, that the said Bill be committed.

The House in Committee, Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair, went into consideration of the Bill in amendment of an Act for regulating Fisheries. The Chairman reported that the Committee had gone into consideration of the Bill to them referred and had made progress therein, and requested leave to sit again. The House agreed to the report.

The House in Committee, Mr. *Agnew* in the Chair, went into consideration of the Bill to regulate the Packing of Salted Beef and Pork for exportation. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had gone into consideration of the Bill to them referred, and that it was the opinion of the Committee that the same be postponed until the next Session of the General Assembly. The House agreed to the report.

Mr. *Coffin* by leave presented a Petition from a number of Fishermen and Inhabitants of the City and County of *Saint John*, praying that the House would make certain regulations respecting the Fishery below the Falls.— Ordered, that the Petition lay on the table.

Ordered, that Mr. *M'Kay*, Mr. *Coffin* and Mr. *Leonard* be a Committee to report on what Laws have expired or are near expiring.

Resolved,

Resolved, that this House will on Thursday next go into consideration of the Supplies to be granted to His MAJESTY for the Public Service.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 9 o'Clock.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 1808.

PRAYERS.

The House in Committee, Mr. *M'Lean* in the Chair, went into consideration of the Bill to enable the Justices of the City and County of *Saint John* to assess the same for the purpose of defraying certain contingent expences of the Court of Sessions. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported, that it was the opinion of the Committee that the consideration of the above-mentioned Bill be postponed until the next Session of the General Assembly, and that it be Ordered, that a copy of the same Bill be transmitted to the *Common Council* of the City of *Saint John*, to the intent that they may make provision for the same out of the Licence money of said City, or shew cause why the said Bill should not pass into a Law. The House agreed to the report.

Read the second time, a Bill to make more effectual provision for repairing the Aboideau or Bridge across the Marsh Creek in the City and County of *Saint John*. Also a Bill to ascertain the rights of Fishery. And on the second reading of the last mentioned Bill—Ordered, that the same be postponed for three Months.

The House in Committee, Mr. *M'Kay* in the Chair, went into consideration of the Bill to make more effectual provision for repairing the Aboideau and Bridge across the Marsh Creek in the City and County of *Saint John*. The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into the business to them referred, and that it was the opinion of the Committee that the Aboideau, Sluices and Dike across the Creek to the eastward of the City of *Saint John* ought to be repaired as follows, to wit: One third part by the proprietors of the Marsh, thereby secured according to their interests; one third by the Proprietors of the Mills on the said Aboideau, and one third by the public statute labour of all such persons as reside within two miles of the same; and that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee to make provisions accordingly. The House agreed to the report; and Mr. *Coffin*, Mr. *Gilbert* and Mr. *M'Lean* were appointed a Select Committee accordingly.

A Message was received from the Council requesting a free conference with the House of Assembly on the subject of the Bill for the greater security of the Province by the better regulating the Militia thereof; and that Mr. *Chipman* communicate this resolution to the House of Assembly.

The House agreed to the conference, on the subject of the Bill for the greater security of the Province by the better regulating the Militia thereof; and ordered, that Mr. *Peters* and Mr. *M'Lean* acquaint the Council therewith.

A Message from the Council was communicated to the House by Mr. *Odell*; that Mr. *Robinson*, Mr. *Saunders*, and Mr. *Chipman* were ordered to attend immediately to manage the conference on the part of the Council.

Mr. *M'Kay*, Mr. *Robinson*, Mr. *M'Lean* and Mr. *Peters* were named as a Committee

Committee to attend and manage the said conference on the part of the House.

Mr. *M'Kay* from the Committee appointed to examine and report what Laws have expired or are near expiring, reported, that an Act passed in the forty-seventh year of His MAJESTY'S Reign intituled an Act for raising a Revenue in this Province, will expire on the fifth day of March, 1809.

Mr. *M'Kay* from the Committee appointed to confer with the Council on the Bill for the greater security of the Province by the better regulating the Militia thereof, reported, that the Council had proposed several amendments; which when read, the House approved of.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'Clock.

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THURSDAY, JULY 21, 1808.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *W. Pagan* presented a petition of the House of *W. Pagan, & Co.* praying a difference of drawback on certain articles imported, might be made good to them.

Mr. *Johnston* presented a petition from several inhabitants of the Parish of *Lancaster*, praying for some assistance towards making a Bridge. Ordered, that the said petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House in Committee Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair, went into consideration of the order of the day. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had come to several resolutions and asked leave to sit again. The House agreed to the report.

A Message was received from His Honor the PRESIDENT to the following purport, to wit:

“ NEW-BRUNSWICK.

“ *Message to the House of Assembly, 20th July, 1808.*

(Signed) MARTIN HUNTER.

“ The PRESIDENT directs to be herewith laid before the House of Assembly for their consideration, an Abstract of expences incurred on account of the Militia during the Administrations of Presidents *Ludlow* and *Winslow*, but not yet provided for, and of which Mr. *Hazen* late Paymaster will attend to give such explanations to the House as may be requisite.

“ M. H.”

The House in Committee Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair, went into further consideration of the order of the day. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had come to several resolutions and asked leave to sit again. The House agreed to the report. Resolved, that the House will go into a Committee on ways and means to-morrow.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'Clock.

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, JULY 22, 1808.

## PRAYERS.

House in Committee of supply, Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had made further progress in the business to them referred and asked leave to sit again.

Mr. *M'Lean* from the Committee on public accounts reported as follows, to wit:

That they have examined such accounts as have been laid before them and report as follows:


No. 1, Is *Ryan* and *Durant's* account for Printing from the 3d September 1806, to the 14th January 1808, amounting to L. 102:10:10, from which the Committee have deducted L. 6:3:0 in their opinion improperly charged the Provincial Legislature, and the further sum of L. 14:18:4 being a balance due by *John Ryan* as stated in the report of the standing Committee of 1805, which leaves a balance due *Ryan* and *Durant* of L. 81:9:6.

No. 2, Is *Jacob S. Mott's* account for Printing from the 12th October 1807, to the 27th June 1808, amounting to L. 21:2:0, from which the Committee have deducted for charges in their opinion improperly made L. 2:10:0 which leaves a balance due *Jacob S. Mott* of L. 18:12:0.

The order of the day for the House to go into a Committee of ways and means postponed till to-morrow.

A Message was received from the Council that they had concurred with the House in passing the Bill for the greater security of the Province by better regulating the Militia thereof, with amendments, and on the question being put, the House agreed to the same and ordered that the Bill be returned to the Council.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'Clock.



SATURDAY, JULY 23, 1808.

## PRAYERS.

Mr. *Price* brought in by leave and read a first time, a Bill intituled an Act in addition to an Act for the better ascertaining and confirming the bounds of the several Counties within this Province, and for subdividing them into Towns and Parishes.

House in Committee, Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair, went into consideration of further supplies to be granted to His MAJESTY—The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had come to the following resolutions, to wit:

Resolved, that there be allowed and paid out of the Treasury of this Province unto the several persons hereafter mentioned, to wit:

To the *Speaker* of the House of Assembly the sum of *fifty pounds*.

To the *Members* of the House of Assembly for defraying the expences of their



their attendance during the present Session, and for travelling charges (reckoning twenty miles for each days travel) to be certified by the *Speaker*, *ten shillings per diem*.

To the *Chaplain* of the Council in General Assembly the sum of *twenty pounds*.

To the *Chaplain* of the House of Assembly the sum of *twenty pounds*.

To the *Clerk* of the Council in General Assembly the sum of *fifty pounds*, and *ten shillings per diem* during the present Session.

To the *Clerk* of the House of Assembly the sum of *fifty pounds*, and *ten shillings per diem* during the present Session.

To the *Serjeant* at Arms attending the Council in general Assembly *ten shillings per diem* during the present Session.

To the *Serjeant* at Arms attending the House of Assembly *ten shillings per diem* during the present Session.

To the *Door-keepers* and *Messengers* attending the Council and Assembly *five shillings per diem* each, during the present Session.

To the *Clerk* of the House of Assembly for stationary and other expences of the present Session the sum of *thirty one pounds fifteen shillings and seven pence*.

To the *Treasurer* of the Province for his services, from the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seven, to the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eight, the sum of *one hundred and eighty pounds*, and the further sum of *twenty pounds* for extra services in issuing Promissary Notes since the last Session.

To the *Tide Surveyor* in the City of *Saint John*, from the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seven, to the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eight, for his services and expences in performing the same, the sum of *forty pounds*.

To *William* and *Thomas Knox*, Esquires, for their services as joint agents for the Province, for the year ending the first of March, one thousand eight hundred and eight, the sum of *one hundred pounds*.

To His Honor the *President* or Commander in Chief, for defraying the contingent expences of this Province a sum not exceeding *one hundred pounds* for the year one thousand eight hundred and nine. And a further sum of *one hundred and fifty pounds* for the purpose of defraying the expences of drilling the different Regiments of Militia, and also a further sum not exceeding *fifty pounds* to defray the expences of conveying arms to the different Regiments of Militia.

To the *President* and *Directors* of the Grammar School in the City of *Saint John*, for purchasing the lot on which the School house now stands, and for paying all the debts heretofore incurred in erecting the same, the sum of *one hundred and seventy pounds*, and the further sum of *one hundred pounds* for the salary of the Master of the same for the year one thousand eight hundred and nine.

To the *Governor* and *Trustees* of the College in *Fredericton* to be applied by them towards the tuition of the Pupils of said College, the sum of *one hundred pounds* for the year one thousand eight hundred and nine. To

To the *Justices* of the different Counties in the Province, the sum of *three hundred and seventy five pounds* for County Schools (agreeably to a Law of this Province) for the year one thousand eight hundred and nine.

To the *Justices* of the County of *King's*, the sum of *fifty pounds* towards defraying the expence of building a Court house and Gaol in *King's* County.

To the *Adjutants* of the Militia in the different Counties in the Province for the half year ending the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eight, the sum of *fifty-nine pounds*, and a further sum not exceeding *one hundred and eighteen pounds*; agreeably to a Law of the Province for the year one thousand eight hundred and nine.

To His Honor the *President* or Commander in Chief for the time being, the sum of *one hundred pounds*, for rewarding such persons as shall apprehend deserters from His MAJESTY'S service, according to a Law of this Province.

To *Samuel Duffy*, the sum of *ten pounds* per annum, commencing the twenty-fifth of June, one thousand eight hundred and seven, and continuing to the twenty-fifth of June, one thousand eight hundred and nine, as an additional salary for keeping the Light House on *Partridge Island*.

To such persons as His Honor the *President* or Commander in Chief for the time being may appoint, a sum not exceeding *seventy pounds*, for the purpose of aiding in establishing for the year one thousand eight hundred and nine by a sufficient Packet, the communication between *Saint John* and *Saint Andrews*; under such regulations as His Honor the *President* shall think fit to direct.

The sum of *twenty three pounds eight shillings and nine pence*; to defray the balance due for the Right Honorable Lord *Sheffield's* picture.

To the *Overseers* of the Poor of the Parish of *Saint John*, the sum of *twenty pounds* per annum, to be paid quarterly for the benefit of *Joseph Lutwidge*, on account of his disability to support himself in consequence of injury sustained in marching to join the embodied Militia the last winter.

To *William Pagan*, Esquire, and Company, the sum of *eighty nine pounds fourteen shillings and six pence*; being the drawback on a certain quantity of Rum, &c. laden on board the Schooner *Tight-Match* from on board the Ship *Mermaid*, and not landed within this Province.

To the *Commander in Chief* of this Province, a sum not exceeding *one hundred pounds*, for the purpose of facilitating a military communication by opening or repairing roads.

That there be paid to *Phabe Macmonagle*, widow of Hugh Macmonagle, the sum of *fifty pounds*.

To *Robert Carlisle*, the sum of *twenty pounds*, as an encouragement for settling on the Portage between the *Kennebeckacis* and *Peticodiac* rivers.

To the *Commissioners* for the Light House, to repair the same, the sum of *one hundred pounds*.

To *Jacob S. Mott*, the sum of *eighteen pounds twelve shillings*, being the balance of his account for sundry services performed since the last Session of the General Assembly.

To *Ryan and Durant*, the sum of *eighty one pounds nine shillings and six pence*, being the balance of their account for sundry services as printers since the last Session of the General Assembly.

To *Jacob S. Mott*, the sum of *six pounds seven shillings and six pence*, being the balance of his account for printing the Journals of this House, during the last Session of the General Assembly, and that the further sum of *thirty pounds* be granted for printing two hundred copies of the Journals of the present Session.

To *Ward Chipman*, Esquire, for his services as Judge Advocate on sundry Courts Martial, the sum of *eight pounds*.

To *William Hazen*, Esquire, as Paymaster, for extra services, the sum of *twenty pounds*.

To the *Adjutant General* for stationary, the sum of *two pounds*.

To *William Scovil*, Esquire, as Paymaster at *Saint John* for extra services, the sum of *twenty pounds*.

To *William Payerweather*, for horse hire, going express from *Saint John* to *Fredericton*, *two pounds*

To Lieutenant-Colonel *Wetmore*, for payment of two suits of clothes for Drummer and Fifer of the *Saint John Militia*, *eight pounds ten shillings and six pence*.

To *Jesse Tabor*, for nursing and conveying *Joseph Lutwidge* to *Saint John*, *five pounds fifteen shillings*.

To *Jacob S. Mott*, for printing blanks, the sum of *twenty eight pounds ten shillings*.

To Surgeon *Paddock* for Hospital nurses wages, *four pounds*.

For freight paid of *one thousand pounds specie* to *St. Andrews*, *two pounds ten shillings*.

To the *Commanding Officer* of the detachment of the *New-Brunswick Regiment* stationed at *Saint John* the last winter, for drilling the *Militia drums*, to be paid to the drum boys of that Regiment, the sum of *one pound ten shillings*.

To Sheriff *Berton*, for committment of *Militia men*, *six pounds five shillings*.

To Colonel *Hugh M<sup>c</sup>Kay* for extra services, the sum of *twenty pounds*.

To the *Adjutant* of *Charlotte County Militia* for extra services, the sum of *twenty pounds sixteen shillings and six pence*.

To Colonel *Hugh M<sup>c</sup>Kay* for building a *Military boat*, the sum of *sixty nine pounds twelve shillings and two pence*.

To Colonel *Hugh M<sup>c</sup>Kay* for sundry contingent charges, the sum of *fifty pounds eighteen shillings*.

Ordered, that the foregoing resolutions be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

The House went into consideration of the order of the day. Mr. *Agnew* in the Chair, the Chairman reported that it was the opinion that the present Revenue Law be continued until the year 1810, and that a Bill be brought in for the purpose.

Mr. *M'Lean* from the Committee on public accounts further reported that the Committee had examined several accounts of stationary and other expences amounting to L. 31:15:7, which they find correct.

The House then Adjourned until Monday next 10 o'Clock.

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MONDAY, JULY 25, 1808.

PRAYERS.

A Message was received from His Honor the PRESIDENT to the following purport, to wit:

“ NEW-BRUNSWICK.  
“ *Message to the House of Assembly, 23d July, 1808.*

(Signed) MARTIN HUNTER.

“ In pursuance of instructions contained in a letter of the 10th of October last, from Lord *Castlereagh* to the late President *Ludlow*, the PRESIDENT informs the House of Assembly that the Officer Commanding His MAJESTY'S troops in New-Brunswick, has been authorised to make an addition to the pay of the Soldiers of *one shilling* per day each when on march in pursuit of Deserters within this Province,” and recommends to the House “ to make provision for payment of this allowance in like manner as the same is done by the Legislature of the Province of Nova-Scotia.”

“ M. H.”

Read the second time, a Bill intituled an Act, in addition to an Act, intituled an Act for the better ascertaining the boundaries of the several Counties within this Province and for subdividing them into Towns and Parishes. Ordered, that the consideration of this Bill be deferred until the next Session of the General Assembly, so that the same may be notified in the County as usual, that all concerned may appear at the next meeting of the General Assembly to shew cause (if they have any) why the same should not pass into a Law.

The House in Committee, Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair; went into consideration of the Bill in amendment of an Act for regulating Fisheries. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill to them referred and asked leave to sit again. The House agreed to the report.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'Clock.

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TUESDAY, JULY 26, 1808.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, that the Bill for the greater security of the Province by the better regulating

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regulating the Militia thereof be sent up to the Council for their concurrence. Ordered, that the resolutions passed yesterday in the Committee of Supply be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

The House in Committee, Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair, went into further consideration of the Bill in amendment of an Act for regulating Fisheries. The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments. And on motion made and seconded that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed for three months. The House divided.

## YEAS.

Mr. Robinson,  
Mr. Porter,  
Mr. Peters,  
Mr. Johnston,  
Mr. Gilbert,  
Mr. Yeamans,  
Mr. W. Pagan,  
Mr. Leonard,  
Mr. Easterbrooks.

## NAYS.

Mr. M'Lean,  
Mr. Jarvis,  
Mr. Miles,  
Mr. Agnew,  
Mr. Davidson,  
Mr. Coffin,  
Mr. M'Kay,  
Mr. Price.

Whereupon it passed in the affirmative.

On motion, Ordered, that an humble address be presented to His Honor the PRESIDENT in answer to his Message of yesterday to the following purport, to wit:

“ NEW-BRUNSWICK.  
“ *House of Assembly, 26th July, 1808.*

“ To the Honorable MARTIN HUNTER, Esquire, President and Commander in Chief of the Province of New-Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

“ The House of Assembly thank your HONOR for the Message of yesterday communicating the Letter of Lord *Castlereagh*, one of His MAJESTY'S principal Secretaries of State, of the 10th October last, to the late President *Ludlow*, requesting the Assembly to make provision for the payment of *one shilling* per day to such Soldiers as may be sent in pursuit of deserters; on which they beg leave to observe that it must have escaped his Lordship's attention that the General Assembly of New-Brunswick, by an Act for the more effectual prevention of deserters from His MAJESTY'S Forces, passed the 5th March 1805, gave a reward of *ten pounds* for apprehending and delivering up each and every deserter, and that ever since that time the Assembly in the grant for the Public service, have granted *one hundred pounds* every year as rewards to Soldiers and others for apprehending deserters, which Act is in force during the present war.

“ We beg leave to observe that the provisions of that Act, have been found very effectual and highly beneficial, as we learn with great satisfaction, that since passing it, not a desertion has happened from the New-Brunswick Regiment where the deserter has not been retaken, except one single instance.

“ We have humbly to request your HONOR would be pleased to give the strongest assurances to His MAJESTY'S Ministers, that the House of Assembly will ever be ready to give every aid to carry into effect so important an object, and should the provision adopted in Nova-Scotia appear to His MAJESTY'S Ministers or to his Representative in this Province,  
“ more

“ more eligible than our own system, we will most cheerfully change our  
“ own and adopt that of our sister Province.”

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 10 o’Clock.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 1808.

PRAYERS.

The House in Committee, Mr. *Agnew* in the Chair, went into further consideration of ways and means for raising a revenue in this Province. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had gone into consideration of the business to them referred, and that on the question for encreasing the duty *one penny half-penny* on Rum. The Committee divided.

YEAS:

Mr. M’Lean,  
Mr. Davidson;  
Mr. M’Kay,  
Mr. Coffin,  
Mr. Leonard,  
Mr. Easterbrooks;  
Mr. Price.

NAYS.

The Speaker,  
Mr. Jarvis,  
Mr. Porter,  
Mr. Robinson;  
Mr. Peters,  
Mr. Johnston,  
Mr. Gilbert,  
Mr. Yeamans,  
Mr. Miles,  
Mr. W. Paganà

And it therefore passed in the negative.

The House agreed to the report.

Resolved that such persons as have been intrusted with the expenditure of the public money, and have not yet furnished accounts of the expenditure thereof, render in accounts of the same at the next meeting of the general Assembly for examination.

Read a first and second time a Bill to continue an Act, intituled an Act, for raising a Revenue in this Province, and ordered that the same be continued.

The House in Committée, Mr. *Peters* in the Chair, went into consideration of a Bill to make more effectual provision for repairing the Aboideau or Bridge across the Marsh Creek in the City and County of *Saint John*. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the same with amendments; the House agreed to the report; and ordered the Bill to be engrossed.

A Message was received from the Council acquainting the House that they had agreed to the resolutions sent up yesterday, and also requested the concurrence of the House to petition His MAJESTY on the subject of the order of His MAJESTY’S Order in Council for suspending the Bill to ascertain the rights of Fishery. And on the question being put whether the House do concur with the Council in the said Petition. The House divided.

YEAS.

Mr. M’Lean,  
Mr. Davidson,

NAYS.

Mr. Robinson,  
Mr. Porter,

Mr.

Mr. Jarvis,  
Mr. Miles,  
Mr. M'Kay,  
Mr. Agnew,  
Mr. Coffin,  
Mr. Price,  
Mr. Leonard.

Mr. Peters,  
Mr. Johnston,  
Mr. Gilbert,  
Mr. Yeamans,  
Mr. W. Pagan,  
Mr. Easterbrooks.

The question was therefore taken in the affirmative.

The House in Committee, Mr. *Robinson* in the Chair, went into consideration of the Bill to continue an Act, intituled an Act, for raising a Revenue in this Province. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the same. The House agreed to the report, and ordered the Bill to be engrossed.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'Clock.

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THURSDAY, JULY 28, 1808.

PRAYERS.

Read as engrossed, a Bill to make more effectual provision for repairing the Aboideau or Bridge across the Marsh Creek in the City and County of *Saint John*, and Ordered to be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

Read as engrossed, a Bill to continue an Act, intituled an Act, for raising a Revenue in this Province. Ordered, that the said Bill be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

At the request of Mr. *Johnston*, leave of absence from this House was granted him on his private affairs.

The House in Committee, Mr. *M'Lean* in the Chair, went into consideration of the Bill to appropriate the public Revenue. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported, that the Committee had agreed to the same. The House agreed to the report, and Ordered the same to be engrossed.

Resolved, that an address be presented to His Honor the PRESIDENT to request that he will be pleased to direct the Militia Act to be forthwith published in the Royal Gazette or otherwise, as he may deem most proper; for the expence of which this House will provide at the next Session.

Mr. *Coffin* by leave brought in a Bill to make more effectual provision for assessing, levying and collecting County rates. Read a first and second time, and Ordered to be committed.

The House in Committee, Mr. *M'Kay* in the Chair, went into consideration of the above-mentioned Bill. The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the same. The House agreed to the report, and ordered the Bill to be engrossed.

A Message was received from the Council, acquainting the House that the Council had appointed Mr. *Odell* to be a Committee to join such Committee as the House of Assembly shall appoint to wait upon the PRESIDENT with a request that His HONOR will transmit to His MAJESTY'S Ministers the





# Dr. The Province of New-Brunswick in General Account Current. Cr.

1807		£.	S.	D.	1807		£.	S.	D.
March 20	To T. Wetmore, Esq. for preparing Blanks, &c. - - - - -	3	10		January 27	By old Account Cash and Bonds the balance, - - - - -	2200	19	2½
September 20	To Printers Accounts for Notes and Blanks, &c. - - - - -	12	15		August 7	By Cash received from J. Codner, Esq. a fine for buying } Soldiers cloaths, - - - - -	2	10	
21	To Treasurer's Salary 2 years to 1st March, 1807, - - - - -	400			June 30	By Balance of Light House Account, - - - - -	60		1½
June 30	To Stationary and Postage from 27th January, 1807, - - - - -	7	12	7		By Duties at Northumberland, 1807, - - - - -	208	2	4½
	To Warrants paid since 27th of January, 1807, - - - - -	3507	9	½		By Duties at Westmorland, balance of 1806, - - - - -	39	9	9½
	To Drawback on Goods exported since 27th January, 1807, - - - - -	263	10	4		By Duties at Charlotte, 1807, - - - - -	70	17	
	To old Notes redeemed and Interest thereon, - - - - -	1483	8	3		By Duties at Saint John, - - - - -	4819	4	4
	To new Notes redeemed and Interest thereon, - - - - -	667		4½		By new Notes paid out and Interest received, - - - - -	655	16	10
	To J. Chaloner's Gauging Account, 1807, - - - - -	22	2				8156	19	8
	To J. Chaloner's Gauging Account to this day, - - - - -	28	17	6					
	To Cash and Bonds in the Chest, - - - - -	1759	14	7					
		8156	19	8					

*Errors Excepted.*

*Treasurer's Office, Saint John, New-Brunswick, 30th June, 1808.*

**WILLIAM S. OLIVER, PROVINCE TREASURER.**

DUTIABLE ARTICLES.		£.	S.	D.
RUM	9984 gallons at 7½d.	3121	7	6
RUM	20097 gallons at 9d.	753	12	9
WINE	3719 gallons at 5s.	188	19	9
WINE	2877 gallons at 9d.	107	17	9
BRANDY	3728 gallons at 9d.	139	16	9
COFFEE	12835 pounds at 1d.	53	9	7
MOLASSES	9117 gallons at 1d.	37	19	9
BROWN SUGAR	2209 cwt's at 2½d.	276	2	6
BROWN SUGAR	699 cwt's at 3½d. 14lb. at 4s.	139	19	4
		4819	4	4

the joint petition of the Council and Assembly on the subject of the Bill to ascertain the rights of Fishery. Ordered, that Mr. *M'Lean* and Mr. *Miles* be a Committee to join the Committee of Council to wait upon His Honor the PRESIDENT accordingly.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'Clock.

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FRIDAY, JULY 29, 1808.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *M'Lean* from the joint Committee appointed to wait upon His Honor the PRESIDENT, reported that the Committee had waited on His Honor the PRESIDENT to request him to transmit the joint Petition of the two Houses to His MAJESTY, upon which His HONOR after perusing the Petition was pleased to say that he would cheerfully comply with their request, and would recommend the prayer of the Petition to the attention of His MAJESTY'S Ministers.

Read as engrossed, the Bill to make more effectual provision for levying and collecting County rates. Ordered, that it be sent up to the Council for concurrence.

Read as engrossed, the Bill to appropriate the Public Revenue. Ordered, that the said Bill be sent up to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. *Davidson* with leave of the House went home on his private business.

A Message was received from the Council informing the House that the Council had agreed to the resolutions sent up yesterday.

Resolved, that the thanks of this House be given to *William Knox*, Esq. for his long and faithful services as the Agent of this Province in Great-Britain, and also to *Thomas Knox*, Esq. for his faithful services as joint Agent with the said *William Knox*, Esquire, and that the *Speaker* be requested to transmit a copy of this resolution to the said *William* and *Thomas Knox*, Esquires. And whereas it is thought to be necessary to the interests of the Province that the Provincial Agent in Great-Britain should reside in or near *London* for the purpose of more ready and speedy access to the Public Offices in attending to the business appertaining to such Agency.

Resolved, that *Edward Goldstone Lutwyche*, Esq. be appointed the Agent of this Province in Great-Britain, and that this resolution be sent to His MAJESTY'S Council for their concurrence.

A Message was received from the Council that they had passed the "Bill to make more effectual Provision for repairing the Aboideau or Bridge across the Marsh Creek in the City and County of *Saint John*," with amendments. Also, that the Council had passed the "Bill to continue an Act for raising a Revenue in this Province," and the "Bill to appropriate the Public Revenue." And also, that the Council do agree to the resolution appointing *Edward Goldstone Lutwyche*, Esq. the Agent of this Province in Great-Britain.

The House then Adjourned until to-morrow 11 o'Clock.

SATURDAY, JULY 30, 1808.

## PRAYERS:

On Motion, Resolved, that the *Speaker* be desired to request the Agents of this Province in *London* to procure and transmit for the information of this House, a copy of the Petition said to have been presented to His MAJESTY on behalf of the Corporation and Citizens of *Saint John*, praying for His MAJESTY's disallowance of an Act of the General Assembly, passed at their last Session, for ascertaining the rights of Fishery in this Province, and also to adopt all proper measures for the support of the joint Petition of the Council and House of Assembly to His MAJESTY, praying that the said Act may be finally ratified by His MAJESTY's Royal and Gracious Assent thereto. And on the question whether the resolution be adopted, the House divided.

## YEAS.

Mr. M'Lean,  
Mr. Jarvis,  
Mr. Miles,  
Mr. M'Kay,  
Mr. Agnew,  
Mr. Coffin,  
Mr. Price,  
Mr. Leonard.

## NAYS.

Mr. Robinson,  
Mr. Porter,  
Mr. Peters,  
Mr. Gilbert,  
Mr. Easterbrooks,  
Mr. W. Pagan.

Whereupon it passed in the affirmative.

A Message from His Honor the PRESIDENT, requesting the attendance of this House in the Council Chamber. The House attended accordingly and being returned, the *Speaker* reported, that he had addressed His Honor the PRESIDENT to the following effect, to wit:—

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOR,

“ While the British Nation stand almost alone in a very arduous contest for the Liberties of Europe, and are making the most vigorous exertions for the protection of her Colonies; We flatter ourselves that the Province of New-Brunswick have not been deficient in giving their aid to the general defence.

“ They have provided an efficient Law for regulating and training their Militia, to enable them to contribute to the common defence; the provisions of that Act have required unusual grants.

“ By the exertions of a Colony in its infancy, and as far as its ability would admit, they trust, they will meet the expectation of His MAJESTY's Ministers, merit the approbation of the Mother Country, and prove themselves worthy of the Royal protection.

“ These grants the House present, requesting His MAJESTY's acceptance, and have the fullest confidence that His Representative in this Province will make use of them for the general defence and to the honor of our most Gracious Sovereign.”

When His Honor was pleased to make the following REPLY.

“ Gentlemen of the Council,  
“ and Gentlemen of the Assembly,

“ The business before you being now finished, I am happy in closing the Session, to express the satisfaction afforded me by a review of your proceedings, and of the harmony with which they have been conducted.

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“ You have shown that you consider the support of His MAJESTY’S Government and the prosperity of the Province as inseparably connected; nor can any thing in your power be more conducive to either, than your perseverance in making this the great and leading principal of your public conduct.

“ To the Bills now enacted, and especially to that which provides for the better regulations of the Militia, I have with pleasure assented, under a full conviction that your zeal alike loyal and patriotic has in this instance omitted nothing within the extent of your ability. You have done what you could to strengthen the hands of the Executive Government, and it will be my ambition on any emergency that may ensue, to give the fullest effect to the means of defence which you have provided.”

And that His HONOR was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bills:

1. A “ Bill for the greater security of the Province by the better regulating the Militia thereof.”
2. A “ Bill for raising a Revenue in this Province.”
3. A “ Bill to appropriate the Public Revenue.”
4. A “ Bill for making Process in Courts of Equity effectual against persons who reside out of this Province and cannot be served therewith.”
5. A “ Bill to alter and amend an Act, intituled an Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce, and for preventing and punishing Incest, Adultery and Fornication.”
6. A “ Bill to make more effectual provision for repairing the Aboideau or Bridge across the Marsh Creek in the City and County of *Saint John.*”

And that His HONOR had then prorogued the General Assembly to the second TUESDAY in OCTOBER next.

