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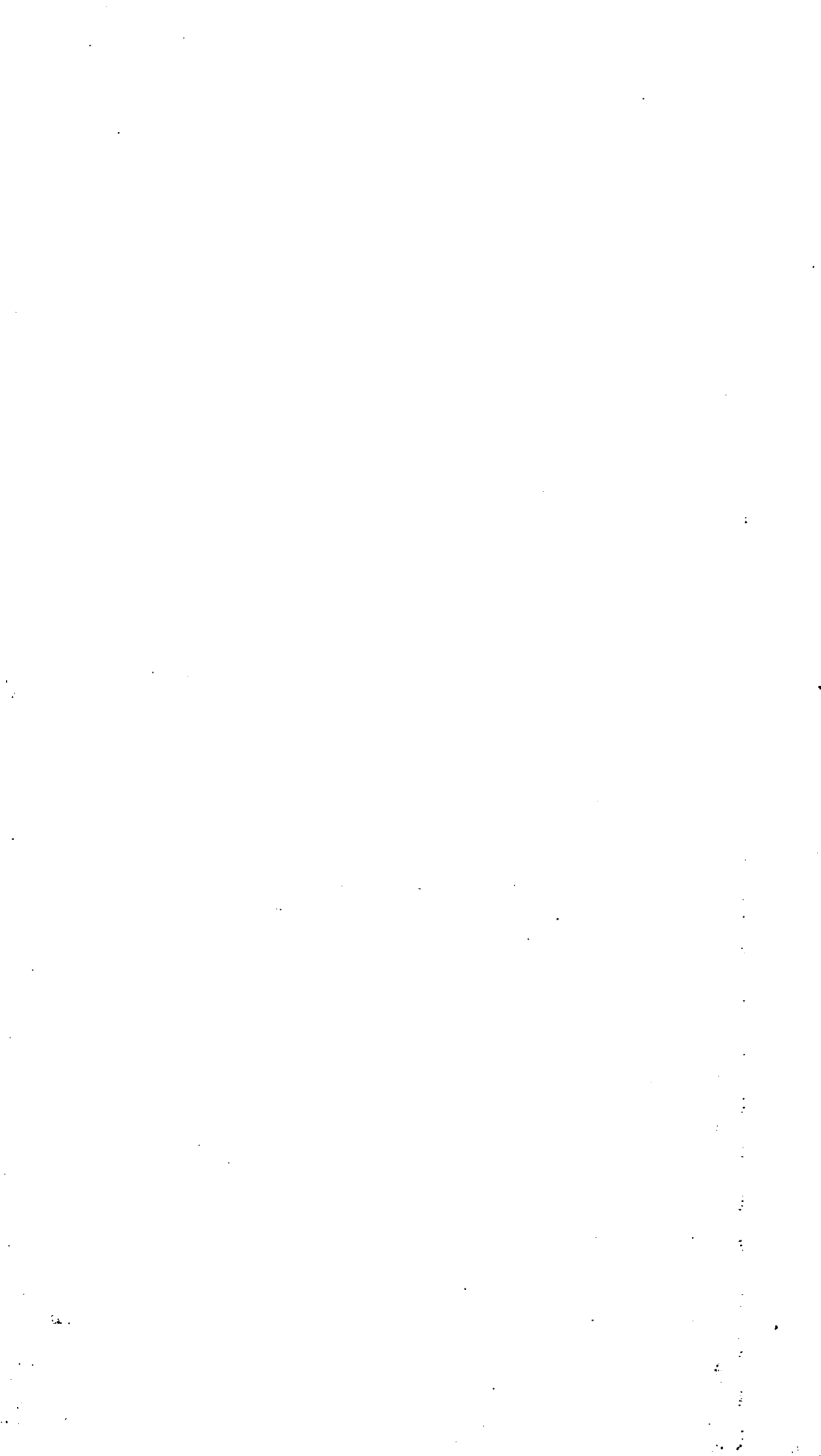
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HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

FREDERICTON, TUESDAY, 29th JANUARY, 1805.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY having been Prorogued to this Day, then to meet for the dispatch of Business, when, a sufficient number of Members not attending the House, was further Prorogued to MONDAY next, the 4th Day of FEBRUARY:



MONDAY, 4th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

THE HOUSE having this Day met according to the Prorogation, the Clerk of the Crown returned the Writ for the Election of a Member for the County of *Saint John*, when it appeared that *Munson Jarvis*, Esquire, was duly Elected—And also the return of the Writ for the Election of a Member for the County of *Westmorland*, when it appeared that *Titus Knapp*, Esquire, was duly Elected.

ORDERED, That *Mr. Gilbert* and *Mr. Wilson* attend to see the said Members qualified before the Commissioner appointed for that purpose, and having attended accordingly, Reported, that *Munson Jarvis* and *Titus Knapp*, Esquires, had taken the usual Oaths—**THEREUPON ORDERED**, that they take their Seats.

MESSAGE was received from His Honor the **PRESIDENT**, requiring the attendance of this House in the Council Chamber.—The House attended accordingly, and being returned—**READ** the first time “A Bill for incorporating a Public Grammar School in the City of *Saint John*.”

Mr. Speaker then Reported, that “The House had attended His Honor the **PRESIDENT** in the Council Chamber, when he was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses, and that to prevent mistakes he had procured a Copy of the same, which he read to the House,” and is as follows, to wit:
“Gentlemen

“ *Gentlemen of the Council, and*

“ *Gentlemen of the Assembly,*

“ THE Administration of this Government in the absence of His Ex-
“ CELLENCY the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR having devolved upon me,
“ it becomes my duty now to call your attention to the exigencies of the
“ Public Service; this being the time beyond which, from the arrangements
“ made at your last Session, it appears to have been intended not to defer
“ a meeting of the General Assembly.

“ His MAJESTY'S Dominions are again involved in a War, which, like
“ the last, has been made inevitable by the unbridled ambition of France,
“ and which threatens again to spread far and wide amongst her European
“ Powers, and to their distant dependencies.

“ At this time, therefore, the framing of a Law for the more effectual
“ regulation of our Militia, together with such other provisional measures
“ as may appear to be requisite for the defence of the Province, will claim
“ your attentive consideration.

“ Among the local provisions which in this view, have been thought ex-
“ pedient, a Law has been lately enacted in the neighbouring Province of
“ *Lower Canada* “ for the encouragement of persons who shall apprehend
“ Deserters from His MAJESTY'S regular Forces,” and I recommend to
“ your consideration the making of a similar provision here, where experi-
“ ence has taught us it is no less requisite.

“ The revisal or continuance of such temporary Laws as have been found
“ beneficial, will, of course, be also an object of your attention.

“ *Gentlemen of the Assembly,*

“ By the accounts which will be laid before you, it appears that the
“ Duties imposed in the last Session have fallen short of expectation. Many
“ of the Public Creditors are still unpaid, and the improvements of the
“ Roads have, for the most part, been unavoidably deferred. This subject
“ will therefore require your particular attention, and the experience of the
“ evils flowing from a want of punctuality in the payments of the Treasury,
“ will, I hope, induce you to prevent their recurrence, by making effectual
“ provision for these cases, and for all future appropriations.

“ *Gentlemen of the Council, and*

“ *Gentlemen of the Assembly,*

“ I feel greatly relieved from the anxieties naturally arising from the
“ trust committed to my care, when I reflect on your Loyalty and patriotic
“ Zeal; being well assured, that we are all actuated by the same hope, and
“ ready to devote our lives to secure the same objects, the welfare of
“ Great-Britain and her Colonies.”

On Motion,

RESOLVED, That an Humble Address be presented to His Honor
the PRESIDENT, in answer to the foregoing Speech.—ORDERED, that
Mr. Agnew, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Robert Pagan, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Jarvis
be a Committee to prepare the said Address.

THE HOUSE in Committee (Mr. M'Lean in the Chair) went into the con-
sideration of the PRESIDENT'S Speech. The *Speaker* having resumed the
Chair, the Chairman Reported, that it is the opinion of the Committee that
a Bill be brought in to regulate the Militia of this Province; and a Bill to
apprehend Deserters from His MAJESTY'S regular Forces; and a Bill to re-
vive what Laws have, or are near expiring, which, Report is agreed to, and
THEREUPON ORDERED, that Mr. M'Kay, Mr. M'Lean, Mr. Peters, Mr.
Miles,

Miles, and Mr. *Davidson* be a Committee to bring in a "Bill to regulate the Militia of this Province," and that Mr. *Agnew*, Mr. *Robert Pagan*, and Mr. *Knapp* be a Committee to bring in a "Bill to secure Deserters from His MAJESTY's regular Forces;" and that Mr. *Leonard*, Mr. *W. Pagan*, and Mr. *Price* be a Committee to examine and Report what Laws have, or are near expiring.

ORDERED, That the further consideration of the PRESIDENT's Speech be postponed until Tuesday the 12th instant.

Mr. *Agnew* moved for leave to bring in a "Bill to regulate Winter Roads in the County of York."

THE HOUSE then Adjourned until to To-Morrow at 11 of the Clock.

TUESDAY, 5th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

The Treasurer's Accounts were laid before the HOUSE by order of the PRESIDENT.—Thereupon it is ORDERED, That Mr. *Leonard*, Mr. *W. Pagan*, and Mr. *Jarvis* be a Committee to examine and Report on the same.

Mr. *Agnew* of the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in answer to the PRESIDENT's Speech—Reported a draught thereof, which he read in his place. The same was delivered in, and afterwards read at the Clerk's Table and agreed to as follows, to wit:

"To His Honor GABRIEL G. LUDLOW, Esquire, *President and Commander in Chief of the Province of New-Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOR!

"THE House of Assembly are happy on this occasion, to assure your Honor of their fullest confidence in the Administration of the Government devolved on you by the absence of the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

"The present War, being inevitable, and its final termination, pregnant with the most important events to the British Empire, as well as the other Powers of Europe. The House of Assembly, therefore feel the firmest resolution to concur with your Honor in every provisional measure necessary to the preservation of this Country as a British dependency; in pursuit of this object, they will, with all dispatch pass a Militia Law more adequate to the purposes of real security and actual defence than that now in force; and they will further attend without delay to the recommendation of your Honor relative to the prevention of Desertion from His MAJESTY's regular Forces, sensible from experience that such a Law has become necessary in this Province.

"The attention of the House will be immediately given to a due revision of the Laws which have expired, or are near expiring, in order to a continuance of those which still may be found beneficial, and with such amendments as experience may have suggested.

"In consequence of the War which took place, soon after the late Session, the commerce of the Province suffered severely by captures, which occasioned the Revenue falling much short of what it would otherwise have done.

"We

“ We lament that any of the Public Creditors still remain unpaid, and
 “ that any part of the contemplated improvements on the Roads have been
 “ unavoidably deferred; it shall be the subject of our particular attention
 “ to devise means for preventing as far as may be practicable in future
 “ want of punctuality at the Treasury, that the objects of future appropri-
 “ ations may be carried into immediate effect.

“ The House are much pleased with your Honor’s approbation of the
 “ Loyalty and patriotic Zeal of the Country, and will always be made
 “ happy whenever their conduct can either relieve the anxieties naturally
 “ arising from the trust committed to your care, or convince you how much
 “ they are actuated by the same hope, and ready to devote their lives to
 “ the same objects—The welfare of Great-Britain and her Colonies.”

RESOLVED, That the foregoing Address be signed by the *Speaker*, and presented to His Honor the PRESIDENT, by the whole House.

Mr. *Agnew* brought in by leave “ A Bill to alter one of the Terms of hold-
 “ ing the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for the County of *York*.”

RESOLVED, on Motion, that the House will on Friday next, go into a Committee of the whole on the consideration of the Circulating Medium in this Province.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow morning at 11 of the Clock.

WEDNESDAY, 6th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. *R. Pagan*, and Mr. *Agnew* wait upon the PRESIDENT to know when His Honor will be pleased to receive this House with their Address.

Mr. *Leonard* brought in by leave “ A Bill to enable the Justices of the
 “ Peace in their General Sessions in the County of *Saint John*, to make
 “ assessment upon the Inhabitants of the said County, for the purposes
 “ therein mentioned.”

Mr. *Price* brought in by leave “ A Bill to alter and amend an Act for re-
 “ gulating, laying out, and repairing Highways and Roads, and for appoint-
 “ ing Commissioners and Surveyors of Highways, within the several Towns
 “ and Parishes in this Province, and for suspending for a limited time all
 “ the Laws now in force relating to the same.”

Mr. *Agnew* brought in by leave “ A Bill for the encouragement of persons
 “ who shall apprehend Deserters from His MAJESTY’S Forces in this
 “ Province.”

Mr. *Robert Pagan* brought in by leave “ A Bill to prevent the importation
 “ or sale of goods by persons not His MAJESTY’S subjects.”

READ a second time “ A Bill to enable the Justices of the Peace in their
 “ General Sessions in the County of *Saint John*, to make assessment upon
 “ the

“ the Inhabitants of the said County, for the purposes therein mentioned.” And also “ A Bill for the encouragement of persons who shall apprehend “ Deserters from His MAJESTY’S Forces in this Province.” And also “ A “ Bill to prevent the Importation or Sale of Goods by persons not His “ MAJESTY’S Subjects.” ORDERED, That the said Bills be Committed.

Mr. *Robert Pagan* from the Committee appointed to wait on the PRESIDENT. Reported that His Honor was pleased to say, he would receive the House with their Address To-Morrow at Twelve of the Clock.

THE HOUSE then Adjourned until To-Morrow at 11 of the Clock.

THURSDAY, 7th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

READ the second time “ A Bill to alter one of the Terms for holding the “ Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the County of *York*.” And also “ A “ Bill to regulate Winter Roads in the Counties of *York* and *Sunbury*.”— ORDERED, That the said Bills be Committed.

THE HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *McKay* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “ A Bill for apprehending Deserters from His MAJESTY’S “ Forces in this Province.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the said Bill with amendments. ORDERED, That the said Report be accepted, and that the Bill be engrossed.

THE HOUSE then waited upon the PRESIDENT with their Address in answer to His Speech; and being returned, Mr. *Speaker* Reported that the House had presented the same, to which His Honor was pleased to reply as follows, to wit:

“ *Gentlemen,*

“ I return you my most sincere thanks for your cordial Address, and anticipate the best effects from your zeal and unanimity in the public service.

“ It will be amongst my greatest gratifications while I execute the duties “ of my station, to experience your hearty co-operation.”

READ the first time “ A Bill for the better regulating the weights and rates “ at which Gold Coin shall pass current in this Province.” The House in Committee (Mr. *Agnew* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “ A “ Bill to prevent the Importation and Sale of Goods by persons not His “ MAJESTY’S Subjects.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported, that the Committee had made some progress in the business to them referred, and asked leave to sit again, which Report is accepted.

Mr. *Leonard* from the Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer’s Accounts. REPORTED as followeth, to wit:

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer’s Accounts have proceeded on that duty and beg leave to Report, that “ they have found the “ several Accounts accurately stated and vouched.

“ No. 1, Contains an Account of Dutiable Goods imported into the Province between the 8th day of February 1803, and the 28th January 1805.

“ No. 2, Is the Light House Account to the 28th January 1805, by which it appears that there is a credit in favor of the Province of $L.6\ 6\ 6\frac{1}{2}$ carried to the General Account current.

“ No. 3, Is an Account of the Warrants paid by the Treasurer to the 28th January 1805.

“ No. 4, Is the General Account current between the Province and the Treasurer, by which it appears that there is a balance in the Chest in Bonds, Bills and Cash of $L.1776\ 14\ 4$, to which may be added $L.128\ 7\ 0$ to be received by the Treasurer from *Charlotte and Northumberland Counties* for duties, and from the Auctioneers of the Province, which came too late to be inserted in the General Account making in the whole $L.1905\ 9\ 8$.

“ No. 5, Is a General Abstract of Province Duties for the Years 1803 and 1804.

“ No. 6, Is a full statement of all appropriations yet unpaid, which were granted by the House of Assembly in 1803, amounting to $L.1900\ 11\ 8$, by which statement it appears that all the Public Creditors without exception are paid, and that the remaining Grants are for Roads principally. And it is with pleasure the Committee inform the House, that from recent arrivals of Vessels with Dutiable Articles on board, the amount in the Public Chest is equal to all the demands upon it, and leaving a balance of $L.14\ 9\ 8$, all which together with the several Accounts herein before mentioned, are respectfully submitted to the House by the Committee.

(Signed)

GEO. LEONARD, junr.
WILLIAM PAGAN,
MUNSON JARVIS.”

THE HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *R. Pagan* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “ A Bill to enable the Justices of the Peace of the County of *Saint John*, to make assessment on the Inhabitants of the said County, for the purposes therein mentioned.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported it as the opinion of the Committee that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed *three months*.

THE HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “ A Bill to alter one of the Terms for holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the County of *York*.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the said Bill with amendments; which Report is accepted, and it is Ordered that the said Bill be engrossed.

THE HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Agnew* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of “ A Bill for preventing the Importation and Sale of Goods by persons not His MAJESTY'S Subjects.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the said Bill. ORDERED; That the said Report be accepted, and that the Bill be engrossed.

READ

READ the first time "A Bill for the better regulating the Militia in this Province."—READ the second time "A Bill for the better regulating the Militia in this Province." ORDERED, That the said Bill be Committed.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.

FRIDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

PETITION from the Inhabitants of the Parish of *Wakefield*, in the County of *York*, was received and read, and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *M'Lean* moved that a standing Committee be appointed for the Examination of all Public Accounts. ORDERED, That Mr. *M'Lean*, Mr. *R. Pagan*, and Mr. *Gilbert* be appointed accordingly.

On the third reading as engrossed of "A Bill to prevent the Importation and Sale of Goods by persons not His MAJESTY'S Subjects." And also of "A Bill for the encouragement of persons who shall apprehend Deserters from His MAJESTY'S Forces in this Province." And also of "A Bill to alter one of the Terms of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for the County of *York*." It is ORDERED, That the said Bills pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

According to the Order of the Day—The HOUSE in Committee of the whole (Mr. *Jarvis* in the Chair) went into the consideration of a "Circulating Medium." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported, that "the Committee had made progress in the business referred to them, and asked leave to sit again," which Report is accepted.

READ a second time "A Bill for the better regulating the Weights and Rates at which Gold Coins shall pass current in this Province." ORDERED, That the said Bill be Committed.

Mr. *Leonard* from the Committee appointed to Examine what Laws have or are near expiring, Reported as followeth; to wit:

"An Act for regulating the Fisheries in the County of *Northumberland*."

"An Act for the better securing the Navigation of *Passamaquoddy-Bay*, within *Deer-Island*."

"An Act for the support and relief of confined Debtors."

"An Act to continue an Act made and passed in the Thirty-Sixth Year of His MAJESTY'S Reign, intituled an Act for regulating, laying out and repairing Highways and Roads, and for appointing Commissioners and Surveyors of Highways within the several Towns and Parishes in this Province, and for suspending for a limited time all the Laws now in force relating to the same."

"An Act for the further and better support of the Poor in the City of *Saint John*."

"An

“ An Act for the preserving the Bank of the River *Saint John*, in front of the Parish of *Lincoln*, in the County of *Sunbury*.”

“ An Act to continue an Act, intituled an Act, for preserving the Bank of the River *Saint John*, in the front of the Parishes of *Maugerville*, *Sheffield*, and *Waterborough*.”

“ An Act to empower the Justices of the Peace for the County of *York*, to make such regulations respecting the Winter Roads in that County, as may be found necessary.”

“ An Act for regulating the Militia.”

“ An Act for the easy and speedy recovery of small Debts, and for regulating the proceedings thereon,”

“ An Act for raising a Revenue in this Province, and for appropriating the same with the Monies now in the Treasury.”

THE HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “ A Bill for regulating the Militia.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported, that progress had been made in the business referred to the Committee, and asked leave to sit again; which Report is accepted.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.

SATURDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Price* moved for leave to withdraw his motion for bringing in “ A Bill to alter and amend an Act, intituled an Act, for regulating, laying out, and repairing Highways and Roads, &c.” and that instead thereof, a Committee composed of a Member from each County in the Province be appointed for that purpose. ORDERED thereupon, that Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Porter*, Mr. *Easterbrooks*, Mr. *Gilbert*, Mr. *Peters*, Mr. *Leonard*, and Mr. *Miles* be appointed accordingly.

THE HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of “ A Bill for regulating the Militia.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported, that a further progress had been made in the business referred to the Committee, and asked leave to sit again; which Report is accepted.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until Monday Morning at 11 of the Clock.

MONDAY, 11th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *Jarvis* from the Committee appointed for the introduction of Settlers into this Province, presented Accounts of the expenditure of Monies voted in

in former Sessions of the General Assembly for that purpose. ORDERED, That the said Accounts be referred to the Standing Committee of Public Accounts.

Mr. *Agnew* brought in by leave "A Bill in addition to an Act, intituled "an Act, for regulating Juries and declaring the qualifications of Jurors," which was Read the first time.

THE HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *M'Kay* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill for regulating Winter Roads in the Counties of *York* "and *Sunbury*." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported, that the Committee had made progress therein, and requested leave to sit again; which Report is accepted.

MESSAGE, was received from His Honor the PRESIDENT; as followeth; to wit:

"G. G. LUDLOW.

"The PRESIDENT directs to be herewith communicated to the House of Assembly a Letter from *William Knox*, Esquire, on the subject of the intercourse between the British West-India Colonies and the United States of America. G. G. L."

THE HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *R. Pagan* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill for regulating the Weights and Rates at which "Gold Coins shall pass current in this Province." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported, that the Committee had agreed to the same with an amendment; which Report is accepted, and it is ORDERED, That the said Bill be Engrossed.

"A Bill" brought in by leave "to alter and amend an Act, intituled an "Act for securing the Navigation of the River *Magagaudavic*," was Read the first time. On Motion, ORDERED, That the said Bill be Read a second time, and thereupon ORDERED, That it be Committed.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow morning at 11 of the Clock:

TUESDAY, 12th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS:

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

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Wilson* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill to alter and amend an Act, intituled an Act for securing the Navigation of the River *Magagaudavic*." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same—which Report is accepted. ORDERED, That the Bill be Engrossed.

On the second Reading of "A Bill for establishing a Public Grammar "School in the City of *Saint John*." It is ORDERED, That it be Committed.

Mr. *Jarvis* moved that a Committee be appointed to bring in "A Bill to provide for the support of the Poor." ORDERED, That Mr. *Jarvis*, Mr. *R. Pagan*, and Mr. *M'Lean*, be appointed for that purpose.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of "A Bill for regulating the Militia." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill, which Report is accepted. ORDERED, That the said Bill be Engrossed. ORDERED, That the further consideration of the PRESIDENT'S Speech be postponed until Monday next.

MESSAGE was received from His Honor the PRESIDENT as followeth, to wit:

"G. G. LUDLOW.

"The PRESIDENT directs to be herewith laid before the House of Assembly
"a Report of the Attorney and Solicitor General, pursuant to the Address
"of the House of Assembly to the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of the 16th
"March, 1803. G. G. L."

The HOUSE Resolved itself into a Committee of the whole (Mr. *Jarvis* in the Chair) on the further consideration of a "Circulating Medium." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had directed him to Report it as their opinion, that there be brought in "A Bill for the issue of Treasury Notes in this Province,"—That a Committee be appointed to bring in "A Bill to establish a Loan-Office in the same," and that the Committee ask leave to sit again, which Report is accepted. It is thereupon ORDERED, That Mr. *Peters*, Mr. *M'Lean*, Mr. *Agnew*, Mr. *Knapp*, and Mr. *M'Kay*, be appointed accordingly.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.

WEDNESDAY, 13th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *W. Pagan* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill for establishing a Public Grammar School in the City of Saint John." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that on the Question, whether the consideration of the Bill be postponed *three Months*, the Committee had divided as follows, to wit:

YEAS.

Mr. *Davidson*,
Mr. *M'Lean*,
Mr. *M'Kay*,
Mr. *Porter*,
Mr. *Knapp*,
Mr. *Easterbrooks*,
Mr. *Peters*,
Mr. *Agnew*,
Mr. *Price*.

NAYS.

Mr. *Jarvis*,
Mr. *Gilbert*,
Mr. *Wilson*,
Mr. *Leonard*,
Mr. *R. Pagan*,
Mr. *Speaker*.

And that it was carried in the Affirmative—which Report is accepted.

The

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *R. Pagan* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill in addition to an Act, intituled an Act for regulating Juries and declaring the qualification of Jurors." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill; which Report is accepted. ORDERED, That the said Bill be Engrossed.

Mr. *W. Pagan* brought in by leave "A Bill to provide for punctuality of payment at the Treasurer's Office." ORDERED, That the Bill be Read a second time: It is thereupon ORDERED, That the said Bill be Committed.

Mr. *M'Lean* brought in by leave "A Bill in addition to an Act, intituled "an Act, to explain and amend an Act, intituled an Act for regulating "Fisheries in the different Rivers, Coves and Creeks in this Province"—which was Read the first time:

Mr. *W. Pagan* brought in by leave "A Bill in addition to and amendment "of an Act for apprehending Deserters from His MAJESTY'S service,"—which was Read the first time. ORDERED, That the Bill be Read a second time. It is thereupon ORDERED, That the said Bill be Committed:

Mr. *R. Pagan* brought in by leave "A Bill to provide for securing Logs, "Timber, Masts, &c. and for regulating such Booms as have been erected "or which may hereafter be erected in the different Rivers, Streams and "Creeks of this Province;" which was Read the first time.

READ the second time "A Bill to continue for a limited time, an Act intituled an Act for the better securing the Navigation of *Passamaquoddy Bay*, within *Deer Island*." ORDERED, That the said Bill be Committed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill in addition to and amendment of an Act for apprehending Deserters from His MAJESTY'S Service, and for punishing unlawful dealings with Soldiers and Deserters." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had made progress in the business to them referred, and asked leave to sit again; which Report is accepted.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *M'Kay* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill to continue for a limited time an Act intituled an Act "for the better securing the Navigation of *Passamaquoddy Bay*, within *Deer "Island*." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same with an amendment; which Report is accepted. ORDERED, That the said Bill be Engrossed.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.



THURSDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

READ the second time "A Bill to provide for securing Logs, Timber, "Masts, &c. and for regulating such Booms as have been erected, or which may

“ may hereafter be erected in the different Rivers, Streams and Creeks of this Province”—And also “ A Bill to provide for the support of the Poor.”
ORDERED, That the said Bills be Committed.

READ a third time as Engrossed “ A Bill for regulating the Militia”—And also “ A Bill to continue for a limited time an Act intituled an Act for the better securing the Navigation of *Passamaquoddy Bay*, within *Deer Island*”—And also “ A Bill in addition to an Act intituled an Act for regulating Juries and declaring the qualification of Jurors;” which Bills are agreed to; and it is **ORDERED**, That the said Bills pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

The **HOUSE** in Committee (Mr. *M'Kay* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of “ A Bill to regulate Winter Roads in the Counties of *York* and *Sunbury*.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same with amendments. It is **ORDERED**, That the said Bill be Engrossed.

The **HOUSE** in Committee (Mr. *M'Lean* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “ A Bill to provide for the support of the Poor.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had made progress therein and asked leave to sit again; which Report is accepted.

The **HOUSE** in Committee (Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair) took into further consideration “ A Bill in addition to and amendment of an Act for apprehending Deserters from His MAJESTY'S Forces, and for punishing unlawful dealings with Soldiers and Deserters.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same under the title of “ A Bill for the more effectual prevention of Desertion from His MAJESTY'S Service;” which Report is accepted. **ORDERED**, That the said Bill be Engrossed.

The **HOUSE** in Committee (Mr. *W. Pagan* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “ A Bill for securing Logs, Timber, Masts, &c. and for regulating such Booms as have been erected, or which may hereafter be erected in the different Rivers, Streams and Creeks of this Province.” The *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same; which Report is accepted. **ORDERED**, That the said Bill be Engrossed.

On Motion of Mr. *M'Lean*,

RESOLVED,

That an Humble Address be presented to His Honor the **PRESIDENT**, requesting he will be pleased to give directions for communicating to this House, what progress has been made in Revising and Reprinting the Laws of this Province.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.

FRIDAY, 15th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

READ the third time as Engrossed “ A Bill for securing Logs, Timber, Masts, &c. and for regulating such Booms as have been erected, or which
 “ may

“ may hereafter be erected in the different Rivers, Streams, and Creeks of
 “ this Province.” And also, “ A Bill for the more effectual prevention of
 “ Desertion from His MAJESTY’s Forces, and for punishing unlawful deal-
 “ ings with Soldiers and Deserters.” And also, “ A Bill to regulate Winter
 “ Roads in the Counties of *York* and *Sunbury.*” ORDERED, That the
 said Bills pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence:

READ the second time, “ A Bill to amend an Act intituled an Act, made
 “ and passed in the Forty-First Year of His MAJESTY’s Reign, intituled
 “ an Act, made and passed in the Thirty-Sixth Year of His MAJESTY’s
 “ Reign, intituled an Act for regulating, laying out, and repairing High-
 “ ways and Roads, &c.” ORDERED, That the said Bill be Committed.

PETITION is received from the Inhabitants of *Maugerville*, praying for
 permission to use narrow Sleds on Winter Roads, which is referred to the
 Committee for regulating Roads as aforesaid.

READ the second time “ A Bill for the support of the Poor.” ORDERED,
 That the said Bill be Committed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *M’Lean* in the Chair) went into the con-
 sideration of the Bill last abovementioned. The *Speaker* having resumed
 the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had made progress
 therein and asked leave to sit again; which Report is agreed to.

Mr. *M’Kay* moved that a Committee composed of a Member from each
 County be appointed to bring in “ A Bill for encouraging and extending
 “ Literature in this Province.” ORDERED, That Mr. *M’Kay*, Mr. *W.*
Pagan, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Agnew*, Mr. *Leonard*, Mr. *Peters*, and Mr. *Miles* be
 appointed for that purpose.

Mr. *Miles* brought in by leave, and which was Read the first time, “ A Bill
 “ to alter one of the Terms of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas
 “ in the County of *Sunbury.*”

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *R. Pagan* in the Chair) went into the
 consideration of “ A Bill to amend an Act intituled an Act, made and
 “ passed in the Forty-First Year of His MAJESTY’s Reign, intituled an Act
 “ to continue an Act, made and passed in the Thirty-Sixth Year of His
 “ MAJESTY’s Reign, intituled an Act for regulating, laying out, and repair-
 “ ing Highways and Roads, &c.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair,
 the Chairman Reported that the Committee had made progress therein,
 and that on the Question, whether the Sixth Clause of the said Bill be
 adopted, the division stood thus :

YEAS.

Mr. *Agnew*,
 Mr. *M’Lean*,
 Mr. *Price*,
 Mr. *Lindsay*,
 Mr. *M’Kay*,
 Mr. *Peters*,
 Mr. *Porter*,
 Mr. *Miles*.

NAYS.

Mr. *Speaker*,
 Mr. *Wilson*,
 Mr. *Easterbrooks*,
 Mr. *Knapp*,
 Mr. *W. Pagan*,
 Mr. *Leonard*,
 Mr. *Yeomans*,
 Mr. *Gilbert*,
 Mr. *Davidson*,
 Mr. *Jarvis*.

And that it was thereupon carried in the Negative: which Report is agreed to.

The ORDER of the Day for going into a Committee of Supply is postponed until Monday next.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.

SATURDAY, 16th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

READ the third time as Engrossed, "A Bill to regulate Winter Roads in the Counties of *York* and *Sunbury*." ORDERED, That this Bill pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *R. Pagan* in the Chair) again went into the consideration of "A Bill to amend an Act intituled an Act, made and passed in the Forty-First Year of His MAJESTY's Reign, intituled an Act to continue an Act, made and passed in the Thirty-Sixth Year of His MAJESTY's Reign, intituled an Act for regulating Highways and Roads; &c." The *Speaker* having 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, which is agreed to.

Mr. *W. Pagan* brought in by leave "A Bill to regulate Seamen," which was Read the first time.

THE HOUSE then Adjourned until Monday at Noon.

MONDAY, 18th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *M'Lean* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of "A Bill to provide for the support of the Poor." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same; which Report is accepted. ORDERED, That the said Bill be Engrossed.

MESSAGE was received from the Council that they had concurred with this House in passing the following Bills, to wit:

"A Bill to alter one of the Terms of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for the County of *York*."

And also "A Bill to prevent the importation and sale of Goods by persons not His MAJESTY's subjects."

And also "A Bill for the better regulating the Militia in this Province."

And also "A Bill for the better regulating the weight and rates at which Gold Coin shall pass current in this Province."

And

And also "A Bill to continue an Act intituled an Act for the better securing the Navigation of *Passamaquoddy Bay* within *Deer Island*."

On the Order of the Day, The HOUSE in Committee of the whole (Mr. *Agnew* in the Chair) went into the consideration of the Supplies to be granted to His MAJESTY for the Public Service. The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had come to sundry Resolutions therein, and asked leave to sit again, which is agreed to.

The further consideration of the PRESIDENT'S Speech is postponed until Thursday next.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.

TUESDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

READ a third time as Engrossed "A Bill to provide for the support of the "Poor." ORDERED, That this Bill pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

Mr. *Price* brought in by leave, "A Bill to facilitate the communication from "the City of *Saint John*," which was Read the first time. ORDERED; That it be Read a second time—And thereupon ORDERED, That the said Bill be Committed.

READ the second time "A Bill for altering one of the Terms for holding "the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Sunbury*."—ORDERED, That the said Bill be Committed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *R. Pagan* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of "A Bill to regulate Highways, &c." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same—And further that he was directed to Report it as the opinion of the Committee that the amendments for regulating the Road and securing the Bank of the River *Saint John* in the Parishes of *Maugerville*, *Sheffield* and *Waterborough*, be brought up in a separate Bill; which Report is agreed to. ORDERED, That the Bill aforesaid be Engrossed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *W. Pagan* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of "A Bill to provide for the punctuality of payment at "the Treasurer's Office." The *Speaker* having 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; which is agreed to.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.

WEDNESDAY, 20th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS:

The HOUSE went into Committee (Mr. *Agnew* in the Chair) on the consideration of "A Bill for altering one of the Terms of holding the Inferior "Court

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *M^cKay* in the Chair) took into consideration "A Bill to facilitate communication to the City of *Saint John.*" The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported it to be the opinion of the Committee that the further consideration of this Bill be postponed until next Session of the General Assembly; which Report is accepted.

Mr. *M^cLean* from the Select Committee to whom was referred "A Bill to provide for the punctuality of payment at the Treasurer's Office"—Reported a Draught thereof, and Read the same in his place to the House, which then went into a Committee of the whole (Mr. *W. Pagan* in the Chair) on the consideration of the said Bill, and after very full discussion and examination thereof, the *Speaker* resumed the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee Reported that they had agreed to the Bill. The House accepted the Report, and ORDERED the said Bill to be Engrossed.

MESSAGE was received from the Council, that they had concurred with this House in passing "A Bill to alter and amend an Act for securing the "Navigation of the River *Magagawdavic.*" And also the "Bill for the more "effectual prevention of Desertion from His MAJESTY'S Forces."

READ the third time as Engrossed "A Bill to amend an Act, intituled "an Act made and passed in the Forty-First Year of His MAJESTY'S "Reign, intituled an Act made and passed in the Thirty-Sixth Year of His "MAJESTY'S Reign, intituled an Act for regulating, laying out, and repairing Highways and Roads, and for appointing Commissioners and Surveyors of Highways within the several Towns or Parishes in this Province, "and for suspending for a limited time all the Laws now in force relating "to the same." On the Question whether this Bill pass, the House divided as follows, to wit:

YEAS.

Mr. *Price,*
 Mr. *W. Pagan,*
 Mr. *Gilbert,*
 Mr. *R. Pagan,*
 Mr. *M^cKay,*
 Mr. *Lindsay,*
 Mr. *Yeomans,*
 Mr. *Peters,*
 Mr. *Porter,*
 Mr. *Miles,*
 Mr. *Leonard.*

NAYS.

Mr. *Agnew,*
 Mr. *M^cLean,*
 Mr. *Davidson,*
 Mr. *Knapp,*
 Mr. *Easterbrooks,*
 Mr. *Jarvis,*
 Mr. *Wilson.*

And it was carried in the Affirmative. It is ORDERED, That the said Bill pass, and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

MESSAGE was received from the Council, that they had concurred with this House in passing "A Bill to regulate the Winter Roads in the Counties of *York* and *Sunbury.*"

Mr. *R. Pagan* brought in by leave "A Bill more effectually to prevent the "destruction of Sheep by Dogs;" which was Read the first time.

The further consideration of the PRESIDENT'S Speech is postponed until to-morrow.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.
 E FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, 22d FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Price has leave of Absence from the House on his private affairs.

On the third reading of "A Bill to provide for punctuality of payment at the Treasury by issuing of Notes to the amount of the Public Appropriations." It is ORDERED, That the said Bill pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

Mr. M'Kay from the Committee appointed to bring in "A Bill for encouraging and extending Literature in this Province." Reported a Draught thereof, which he Read in his place. It was then ORDERED to be Read a second time, and thereupon ORDERED, That it be committed.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a Letter with the Communications accompanying it, that he had received from *William Knox*, Esquire, during the recess, which were Read to the House.

READ the third time as Engrossed "A Bill to empower the Justices of the Peace for the County of *King's*, to make such regulations respecting the "Winter Roads in that County as may be found necessary." ORDERED, That the Bill pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

MESSAGE was received from His Honor the PRESIDENT, as follows, to wit:

"G. G. LUDLOW.

"The PRESIDENT directs to be herewith laid before the House of Assembly an Account of expences incurred for Printing the Laws of the last Session, and other incidental services of Mr. *John Ryan* the Printer, amounting to *thirty-seven pounds nine shillings and six-pence*, for payment of which, the PRESIDENT recommends it to the House to make provision."

"The PRESIDENT also directs to be laid before the House a Report of Mr. *Chipman*, one of the Commissioners appointed to superintend the Re-printing of the Laws of the Province. G. G. L."

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of the PRESIDENT's Speech. The Speaker having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported it as the opinion of the Committee, that this House on Monday next, be Resolved into a Committee of the whole on the consideration of Ways and Means.

Mr. *Miles* brought in by leave "A Bill for securing the Bank of the River *Saint John*, in the Parishes of *Maugerville*, *Sheffield*, and *Waterborough*;" which was Read the first time. ORDERED, That it be Read a second time, and thereupon ORDERED, That it be committed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. M'Kay in the Chair) went into the consideration of the Bill aforesaid, and on the Speaker's resuming the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the said Bill under the title of "A Bill to enable the Commissioners of Highways in the Parishes of *Maugerville*, *Sheffield* and *Waterborough*, to lay out Highways, and to appropriate part of the statute labor for securing the Bank of the River in front of those Parishes;" which Report is agreed to by the House, and it is ORDERED, That the Bill be Engrossed.

READ

READ a third time as Engrossed "A Bill for regulating Seamen." ORDERED, That this Bill pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Peters* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill for encouraging and extending Literature in this Province." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had made progress in the business to them referred, and asked leave to sit again; which is agreed to.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.

SATURDAY, 23d FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS:

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Peters* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of "A Bill for encouraging and extending Literature." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill, which is accepted by the House as Reported. And it is ORDERED, That the said Bill be Engrossed.

MESSAGE was received from His Honor the PRESIDENT, as follows, to wit:

"G. G. LUDLOW.

"The PRESIDENT directs to be herewith laid before the House of Assembly a Schedule of particulars proposed, with an Estimate of the requisite expence for compleating the Province Hall, with some necessary repairs and accommodations, and a suitable enclosure of the Ground, and he recommends to the consideration of the House the making of such Provision for this service as may at present be found conveniently practicable.
G. G. L."

The *Speaker* communicated a Letter he had received from Mr. *Fraser*, giving reasons for his absence from this House the present Session.

READ the second time "A Bill to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs." ORDERED, That the said Bill be committed.

THE HOUSE then Adjourned until Monday at Noon.

MONDAY, 25th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

READ the third time as Engrossed "A Bill to enable the Commissioners of Highways in the Parishes of *Maugerville*, *Sheffield*, and *Waterborough*, to lay out Highways, and to appropriate part of the Statute Labor for securing the Bank of the River in front of those Parishes." ORDERED, That this Bill pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

READ the third time as Engrossed "A Bill for encouraging and extending Literature in this Province." On the Question whether the said Bill pass, the House divided as follows, to wit:

YEAS.

YEAS.

Mr. *Jarvis*,
 Mr. *W. Pagan*,
 Mr. *Gilbert*,
 Mr. *Easterbrooks*,
 Mr. *Knapp*,
 Mr. *R. Pagan*,
 Mr. *M'Kay*,
 Mr. *Lindsay*,
 Mr. *Porter*,
 Mr. *Leonard*,
 Mr. *Peters*,
 Mr. *Yeomans*,
 Mr. *Miles*.

NAYS.

Mr. *M'Lean*,
 Mr. *Agnew*,
 Mr. *Davidson*,
 Mr. *Price*.

And it was carried in the Affirmative.—Thereupon ORDERED; That the Bill pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

PETITION of Adjutant *John Campbell* of the County of *Charlotte*, was received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

On the Order of the Day,

The HOUSE went into a Committee (Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair) on the consideration of Ways and Means. The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had thereupon come to the following Resolutions, to wit: That a Duty of *six-pence* be laid on every gallon of *Rum*; *nine-pence* on every gallon of *Wine*; *eight-pence* on every gallon of *Brandy*, *Gin*, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors; *one-penny* on every gallon of *Molasses*; and *two shillings* and *six-pence* on every hundred weight of *Brown Sugar*, to be imported into this Province; which Report is agreed to by the House; and it is ORDERED, That Mr. *Leonard*, Mr. *M'Lean*, and Mr. *R. Pagan*, be a Committee to bring in a Bill on the foregoing Resolutions.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Agnew* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of the Supplies to be granted to His MAJESTY for the Public Service. The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had come to sundry Resolutions on the business referred to them, and asked leave to sit again, which is agreed to by the House.

MESSAGE was received from the Council that they had concurred with this House in passing the “ Bill in addition to an Act intituled an Act for “ regulating Juries.” And a “ Bill to alter one of the Terms of holding the “ Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the County of *Sunbury*.”

Mr. *R. Pagan* brought in by leave “ A Bill for the regulation of Booms “ for securing Masts, Logs, and other Lumber in the County of *Charlotte* ;” which was Read the first time. ORDERED, That it be Read a second time, and thereupon it is ORDERED, That it be committed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “ A Bill for more effectually preventing the destruction of “ Sheep by Dogs.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that progress had been made in the business referred to the Committee, and asked leave to sit again; which is agreed to by the House—And which then Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at Eleven of the Clock.

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *McKay* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill for the regulation of Booms for securing Masts, Logs, and other Lumber in the County of *Charlotte*." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same, which Report is accepted by the House—ORDERED, That the Bill be Engrossed.

Mr. *Price* brought in by leave, and which was Read the first time, "A Bill 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 it be Read a second time, and thereupon ORDERED, That it be Committed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of "A Bill for more effectually preventing the destruction of Sheep by Dogs." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported, that the Committee had agreed to the same, which Report is accepted by the House—ORDERED, That the Bill be Engrossed.

MESSAGE was received from the Council, that they had concurred with this House in passing the "Bill to provide for punctuality of payment at the Treasury."

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Jarvis* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill in addition to an Act, intituled an Act for the better ascertaining and confirming the boundaries of the several Counties within this Province, and for subdividing them into Towns and Parishes." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported it as the opinion of the Committee that the consideration of that part of the Bill regarding the County of *York* be postponed until the next Session of the General Assembly, and in the mean time that it be published at three of the most Public Places in the said County, and that it be also Read in the General Sessions of the Peace of the same. The Chairman further Reported that the Committee had made progress in such part of the Bill as related to the County of *Westmorland*, and asked leave to sit again; which Report is agreed to by the House.

Mr. *Leonard* from the Committee appointed to bring in A Bill for raising a Revenue in this Province, Reported a Draught thereof, which was Read the first time. ORDERED, That it be Read a second time, and thereupon ORDERED, That it be Committed.

"A Bill to amend an Act for regulating the Exportation of Butter," was Read the first time. The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning at Eleven of the Clock.



WEDNESDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

READ the third time as Engrossed, "A Bill more effectually to prevent the destruction of Sheep by Dogs," And also "A Bill for securing Masts, Logs,

“ Logs, and other Lumber in the County of *Charlotte*.” ORDERED, That the said Bills pass, and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

Mr. *Leonard* brought in by leave “ A Bill to continue sundry Acts of the “ General Assembly that are near expiring,” which was read the first time. ORDERED, That it be Read a second time, and it is thereupon ORDERED, That the Bill be Committed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Leonard* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “ A Bill for raising a Revenue in this Province.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported it as the opinion of the Committee that the Act for raising a Revenue which was passed in the last Session of the General Assembly of this Province, be continued two Years from the First Day of *April* next, which Report is accepted, and it is ORDERED, That the Select Committee appointed to bring in a Revenue Bill be accordingly directed to prepare A Bill for that purpose.

READ the second time “ A Bill to preserve the Banks of the River *Nash-waack* in the County of *York*, from the lower boundary of the land granted to *Philip Weade* upwards.” ORDERED, That a copy thereof be Read in the General Sessions of the Peace for the County of *York*, and another copy set up in the most Public convenient place in the settlements on the River aforesaid, where the inhabitants will be affected, to the intent that any person may shew cause at the next Session of the General Assembly why the same should not pass into a Law.

READ the first time “ A Bill to continue an Act for raising a Revenue in “ this Province.” ORDERED, That it be Read a second time, and thereupon ORDERED, That the Bill be Committed.

Mr. *M'Lean* from the Standing Committee for the Examination of Public Accounts, Reported as follows, to wit:

“ The Standing Committee have Examined such Accounts as have been laid “ before them, and beg leave to report as follows, to wit: Account No. 1, is “ *Jacob S. Mott's* for Printing the Journals, &c. and they find a balance due “ him of *L.11 : 1 : 3*—Account No. 2, is *John Ryan's* for sundry services of “ Printing, amounting to *L.51 : 11 : 6*, no part of which in our opinion ought “ to be chargeable to the Provincial Legislature. By perusing the Report “ of the Committee of Accounts in 1803, we find they expressed the same “ opinion with referrence to that Account. No. 3, is *John Ryan's* General “ Account commencing the 3d of *March* 1801, and ending 28th *November* “ 1804, amounting to *L.123 : 2 : 10*, from which the Committee have deduc- “ ted for Advertisements in their opinion improperly charged to the Pro- “ vince *L.1 : 2 : 0*, which leaves the amount of his Account *L.122 : 0 : 10*, on “ account of which it appears he has received the sum of *L.80*, leaving a “ balance due him of *L.42 : 0 : 10*. The Committee think it necessary to “ remark, that the charges for Printing the Laws and inserting different Acts “ in the News-Papers are extravagantly high, and by the Report of the “ Committee of Accounts in 1803, we find they were of the same opinion. “ No. 4, is the Account of the Sheriff of the County of *Saint John*, for return- “ ing a Member to the General Assembly, amounting to *L.20 : 15 : 0*, in “ which we find several unusual charges, and it is our opinion that the sum “ of *L.16 : 5 : 0* is only justly due to the said Sheriff. In establishing this “ sum, we have adopted the system concluded upon in 1803, by allowing “ him

“ him *ten shillings* per day, and *five shillings* for his Clerk, for each day the
 “ Poll was held, also *three pounds* for notifying the different Parishes and
 “ *forty shillings* for the Poll Book, Indenture, and return. No. 5, is the
 “ Account of the Sheriff of *Westmorland*, for returning a Member from that
 “ County to serve in the General Assembly, amounting to *L.3:13:4*, but
 “ by adopting the system above alluded to, we make the amount justly
 “ due him *L.5:15:0*. On examination of the Report of the Commission-
 “ ers for encouraging settlers, we find the following statement, that the
 “ sum of *L.164:15:7½* has been paid to *John Black*, Esq. for the passage
 “ of seven families, forty in number, who they Report to have settled at
 “ *Sussex-Vale* and *Saint John*, and that the further sum of *L.134:13:11½*
 “ has been appropriated to assist sundry emigrant Scotch families, in num-
 “ ber one hundred and sixteen who have arrived in the County of *Charlotte*,
 “ and expect allotments of land in that County, which with a charge of
 “ 10s. 5d. for postage, makes in all the sum of *L.300*; and that the Com-
 “ mittee requested the Report might stand open for any further application
 “ that may be made to this House.

(Signed)

“ ARCHIBALD M'LEAN,
 “ ROBERT PAGAN.”

On Motion of Mr. *Leonard*, that such parts of the Journals of the House of Assembly in the Year 1802 as were not sanctioned, or directed by the *Speaker*, be expunged. ORDERED, That the further consideration thereof be postponed until to-morrow.

MESSAGE was received from the Council, that they had concurred with this House in passing “ the Bill to enable the Commissioners of Highways
 “ in the Parishes of *Maugerville*, *Sheffield*, and *Waterborough*, to lay out High-
 “ ways, &c.” And “ the Bill for encouraging Literature in this Province.”

Mr. *Peters* moved for leave to bring in “ A Bill for granting aid in support
 “ of the College of *New-Brunswick* incorporated by Charter, and established
 “ at *Fredericton*,” which was Read the first time. ORDERED, That it be
 Read a second time, and thereupon it is ORDERED, That it be Committed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Agnew* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of the supplies to be granted to His MAJESTY for the Public Service. The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that further progress had been made in the business referred to the Committee, and asked leave to sit again.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *R. Pagan* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “ A Bill to continue an Act for raising a Revenue in this Pro-
 “ vince.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same; which Report is accepted by the House, and it is ORDERED, that the said Bill be Engrossed.

Mr. *R. Pagan* brought in by leave “ A Bill to continue and amend an Act
 “ made and passed in the Thirty-Sixth Year of His MAJESTY Reign, inti-
 “ tuled an Act for regulating, laying out, and repairing Highways and Roads,
 “ and for appointing Commissioners and Surveyors of Highways within the
 “ several Towns or Parishes in this Province, and for suspending for a limited
 “ time all the Laws now in force relating to the same;” which was Read the
 first time.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.
 THURSDAY,

THURSDAY, 28th FEBRUARY, 1805.

PRAYERS.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Jarvis* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill in addition to an Act, intituled an Act for the better ascertaining and confirming the boundaries of the several Counties within this Province, and for subdividing them into Towns and Parishes." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same under the title of "A Bill for erecting the Eastern part of the County of *Westmorland* into a distinct Town or Parish," which Report is accepted, and it is ORDERED, That the Bill be Engrossed.

On the second Reading of "A Bill for regulating Highways and so forth." ORDERED, That it be Committed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *M'Kay* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill for granting aid in support of the College of *New-Brunswick*, incorporated by Charter, and established at *Fredericton*." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same; which Report is accepted by the House, and it is ORDERED, That the Bill be Engrossed.

READ the third time as Engrossed "A Bill to continue an Act for raising a Revenue in this Province." ORDERED, That this Bill pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *R. Pagan* in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill to continue and amend an Act made and passed in the Thirty-Sixth Year of His MAJESTY'S Reign, intituled an Act for regulating, laying out, and repairing Highways and Roads, and for appointing Commissioners and Surveyors of Highways within the several Towns or Parishes in this Province and for suspending for a limited time all the Laws now in force relating to the same." The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that on the Question whether this Bill be adopted? The Committee had divided, and it was carried in the Negative, and that the Question was then put whether the Act now in force, regulating Highways and so forth, be continued four Years longer, which was likewise carried in the Negative—The Report is accepted. ORDERED, That the Bill be recommitted—The House accordingly again went into Committee (Mr. *W. Pagan* in the Chair) on the further consideration of the Bill aforesaid. The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman then Reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill under the title of "A Bill to continue an Act made and passed in the Thirty-Sixth Year of His MAJESTY'S Reign, intituled an Act for regulating, laying out, and repairing Highways and Roads, and for appointing Commissioners and Surveyors of Highways within the several Towns or Parishes in this Province, and for suspending for a limited time all the Laws now in force relating to the same," which Report is accepted. The Question was then put whether the House agree to the Report, whereupon the House divided as followeth, to wit :

YEAS.

Mr. *Leonard*,
Mr. *Davidson*,
Mr. *Knapp*,
Mr. *M'Lean*,

NAYS.

Mr. *Lindsay*,
Mr. *Peters*,
Mr. *Miles*,
Mr. *Price*,

Mr. *Gilbert*,

YEAS.

Mr. *Gilbert*,
 Mr. *Agnew*,
 Mr. *Yeomans*,
 Mr. *Easterbrooks*,
 Mr. *Jarvis*.

NAYS.

Mr. *Porter*,
 Mr. *W. Pagan*,
 Mr. *R. Pagan*,
 Mr. *M'Kay*,
 Mr. *Wilson*.

And Mr. *Speaker* decided in the Affirmative. It was then ORDERED, That the Bill be Engrossed.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.

FRIDAY, 1st MARCH, 1805.

PRAYERS.

READ the third time as Engrossed "A Bill for erecting the Eastern part of the County of *Westmorland* into a distinct Town or Parish." Also "A Bill to continue an Act made and passed in the Thirty-Sixth Year of His MAJESTY'S Reign, intituled an Act for regulating Highways and Roads and so forth." And also "A Bill for granting aid in support of the College of *New-Brunswick*, incorporated by Charter and established at *Fredrickton*." It is ORDERED, That the said Bills pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

MESSAGE was received from His Honor the PRESIDENT as follows, to wit:

" G. G. L U D L O W.

" The PRESIDENT directs to be herewith laid before the House of Assembly a Report made by *Robert Pagan* and *Hugh M'Kay*, Esquires, Commissioners appointed to contract for and superintend the opening of the communication from *Saint Andrews* through the settlements in the County of *Charlotte* in the main communication to the City of *Saint John*, by the way of the settlements on *Musquash River*."

" And a Report of *Joseph Porter*, Esq. Commissioner appointed to superintend the expenditure of the sum of *fifty pounds* granted for the purpose of building a Bridge across a Branch of *Dennis's Stream* in the County of *Charlotte*..
 G. G. L."

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Agnew* in the Chair) went into the consideration of the supplies to be granted to His MAJESTY for the Public Service. The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had come to the following Resolutions thereon, to wit:

RESOLVED—There be granted to His MAJESTY for defraying the expences of the Public Service of this Province as followeth, 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 attendance during the present Session, and for travelling charges (reckoning twenty miles to 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, and the further sum of *twenty-five pounds* for services during the Year 1804.

To the *Clerk* of the House of Assembly, the sum of *fifty pounds*, and *ten shillings* per diem during the present Session, and the further sum of *twenty-five pounds* for services during the Year 1804.

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

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

To the *Door-keeper* of the Council in General Assembly, *five shillings* per diem during the Session.

To the *Door-keeper* of the House of Assembly, *five shillings* per diem during the Session.

To the *Messenger* of the Council in General Assembly, *five shillings* per diem during the Session.

To the *Messenger* of the House of Assembly, *five shillings* per diem during the Session.

To the *Clerk* of the House of Assembly for Fuel, Stationary, and other expences of the present Session, the sum of *forty-two pounds fifteen shillings and six-pence*.

To the *Treasurer* of this Province for his services from the 10th day of *March* 1803, to the 10th day of *March* 1804, the sum of *one hundred and eighty pounds*, and the like sum of *one hundred and eighty pounds* for his services ending the 10th day of *March* 1805.

To the *Tide-Surveyor* in the City of *Saint John*, from the 1st day of *March* 1803, to the 1st day of *March* 1804, for his services and for expences incurred in performing the same, the sum of *forty pounds*, and the like sum of *forty pounds* for the like services and expences incurred for the Year ending the 1st of *March* 1805.

To *William Knox*, Esquire, for his services previous to the Year 1803, the sum of *one hundred pounds* sterling.

To *William* and *Thomas Knox*, Esquires, for their services as joint Agents for the Province in the Year 1804, the sum of *one hundred pounds*, and the like sum of *one hundred pounds* for the services for the Year 1805.

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 1805, and the like sum of *one hundred pounds* for the Year 1806.

To

To his Honor the *President*, or Commander in Chief for the purpose of Painting the outside and repairing the Roof of the Province Hall, the sum of *one hundred and twenty-five pounds*, and a further sum not exceeding *seventy-five pounds* to complete a seating for the Members of the House of Assembly according to a Plan exhibited; and a further sum not exceeding *seventeen pounds* for completing a Book Case for the use of the House of Assembly.

That a sum not exceeding *one hundred pounds* for the purpose of repairing and altering the Light-House on *Partridge-Island*, to be laid out under the care and management of *William Pagan, Munson Jarvis, Hugh Johnston, and William Donald*, Esquires.

RESOLVED that the sum of *eighteen pounds five shillings* in addition to *eighty-one pounds fourteen shillings* and *four-pence*, be granted for building a Bridge over *Salmon River* in the County of *King's*, below *Mr. Hallett's*, being a former pledge of this House.

RESOLVED that the sum of *thirty pounds* be granted for Printing Two Hundred Copies of the Journals of the present Session.

That a sum not exceeding *five pounds* be granted to enable the *Clerk* of this House to collect and have bound in one or more volumes, three sets of the Journals for the use of the House of Assembly.

To *Jacob S. Mott* the sum of *eleven pounds one shilling* and *three pence*, being the balance of his account for Printing the Journals of this House during the last Session of the General Assembly.

To *John Ryan* the sum of *forty-two pounds* and *ten-pence*, in full of all accounts exhibited by him to this time, being the balance due to him for Printing.

To the *Sheriff* of the County of *Westmorland*, for returning a Member from that County to serve in General Assembly, the sum of *five pounds fifteen shillings*.

To the *Sheriff* of the County of *Saint John*, for returning a Member to the General Assembly, the sum of *sixteen pounds five shillings*. And the Committee asked leave to sit again; which is agreed to, and it is ORDERED, That the said foregoing Resolutions be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

MESSAGE was received from the Council, that they had concurred with this House in passing the "Bill for the regulation of Booms for securing "Masts, Logs, and Lumber in the County of *Charlotte*."

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.

SATURDAY, 2d MARCH, 1805.

PRAYERS.....

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. R. Pagan in the Chair) went into the consideration of "A Bill to continue sundry Acts of the General Assembly that " are

“are near expiring.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same, which Report is accepted. It is ORDERED, That the Bill be Engrossed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Agnew* in the Chair) went into the further consideration of the Supplies to be granted to His MAJESTY for the Public Service. The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had come to the following Resolutions thereon, to wit: That a sum not exceeding *one hundred pounds* be granted to such persons as the PRESIDENT or Commander in Chief, for the time being, may appoint for the purpose of aiding in the establishing for the term of Two Years by a Packet, the communication between *Saint John* and *Saint Andrews*. And that the sum of *fourteen pounds seventeen shillings and nine-pence* be granted for completing certain works commenced, and Ropes to be purchased for crossing the River *Magaguadavic* at the Public Ferry thereof; which Report is agreed to by the House, and it is ORDERED, that the foregoing Resolutions be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

On the second Reading of “A Bill to amend an Act for regulating the exportation of Butter.” It is ORDERED, That it be Committed.

The HOUSE in Committee (Mr. *Peters* in the Chair) went into the consideration of “A Bill to amend an Act for regulating the exportation of “Butter.” The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same. ORDERED, That the Bill be Engrossed.

RESOLVED that *William Pagan, John Robinson, Munson Jarvis, George Leonard, and Hugh Jonhston*, Esquires, be appointed as a Committee to correspond with the Provincial Agent in *Great-Britain* during the recess of the General Assembly.

MESSAGE was received from the Council, that they had concurred with this House in passing the “Bill for granting aid in support of the College.” And the “Bill to continue the Act for raising a Revenue.” And that they had agreed to sundry Resolutions of appropriation sent up for concurrence. And also a “Resolution for establishing a Packet between *Saint John* and *Saint Andrews*.”

Mr. *Peters* and Mr. *Leonard* have leave of absence from this House on their private affairs during the remainder of this Session of the General Assembly.

MESSAGE was received from the Council, that “They had agreed to a “Resolution for completing certain works commenced and Ropes to be “purchased for crossing the River *Magagaudavic*.”

Mr. *Price* has leave of absence from this House on urgent business.

THE HOUSE then Adjourned until Monday at Noon.

MONDAY, 4th MARCH, 1805.

PRAYERS.

Mr. *M'Lean* brought in by leave “A Bill to appropriate the Public Revenue “of this Province,” which was Read the first time. ORDERED, That it be Read a second time, and thereupon ORDERED, That it be Committed.

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

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Date.		Amount.			Date.		Amount.		
1803		£.	s.	d.	1803		£.	s.	d.
December 27	To Cash paid John Ryan for Printed Blanks, - - - - -	10	15		February 9	By Old Account of Bonds in the Chest, - - - - -	1171	11	½
27	To Cash paid John Chaloner, Esq. Gauging to this day, - - - - -	16	4		10	By Duties at Northumberland in 1802, - - - - -	57	11	7½
1804 August 4	To Cash paid John Chaloner, Esq. Gauging to this day, - - - - -	14	4	6	April 6	By Duties at Westmoreland, Balance of 1802, - - - - -	22		2
September 22	To Cash paid John Ryan for Printed Manifests, - - - - -	3	15		1804 February 27	By Duties at Northumberland in 1803, - - - - -	111	16	6
1805 January 22	To Cash paid Express Postage and Stationary as per Accounts, - - - - -	5	11	8	November 16	By Duties at Westmoreland to 6th inst. - - - - -	53	8	5
22	To Cash paid Treasurer's Salary to 1st March, 1803, - - - - -	180			16	By Duties at Charlotte 1802 and 1803, - - - - -	206	11	8
28	To Cash paid John Chaloner, Esq. for Gauging, - - - - -	8	1	6	1805 January 28	By Balance of Light-House Account - - - - -	6	6	6½
28	To Warrants paid since 9th February, 1803, - - - - -	3345	10	6	28	By Auction Account - - - - -	29	16	4
28	To Bonds in the Chest, - - - - -	1776	14	4	28	By Duties at Saint John in 1803 and 1804, - - - - -	3701	14	3
		5360	16	6			5360	16	6

Errors Excepted.

Treasurer's Office, Saint John, 28th January, 1805.

(Signed)

WILLIAM S. OLIVER, Province Treasurer.

N. B. The difference between the Account and Abstract is occasioned by the small calculations in Sugars being only 7d. during the Two Years.

DUTIABLE ARTICLES.		£.	s.	d.
RUM,	123,230 gallons at 6d.	3080	15	6
WINE,	7,870 gallons at 9d.	295	8	8
BRANDY & GENEVA,	1,212 gallons at 8d.	40	16	12
MOLASSES,	3,988 gallons at 1d.	16	12	4
BROWN SUGAR,	2150 cwts. 3qr. 6lbs at 2s. 6d.	268	17	
		3701	14	10

ABSTRACT OF DUTIES AT SAINT JOHN, NEW-BRUNSWICK, 28th JANUARY, 1805.

The HOUSE then Resolved itself into a Committee (Mr. *M'Lean* in the Chair) on the Bill aforesaid. The *Speaker* having resumed the Chair, the Chairman Reported that on the Question whether that part of the clause of the Bill respecting the Clerk of the Council, granting to the said Clerk the sum of *twenty-five pounds* for services in the Year 1804 be adopted, the Committee had divided as follows, to wit:

YEAS.

Mr. *M'Kay*,
 Mr. *Jarvis*,
 Mr. *Price*,
 Mr. *W. Pagan*,
 Mr. *R. Pagan*,
 Mr. *Agnew*,
 Mr. *Porter*,
 Mr. *Davidson*.

NAYS.

Mr. *Speaker*,
 Mr. *Easterbrooks*,
 Mr. *Miles*,
 Mr. *Lindsay*,
 Mr. *Wilson*,
 Mr. *Knapp*.

And that it was carried in the Affirmative—That the Committee had thereupon come to the following Resolutions, to wit: “ That the sums voted to the Clerk of the Council and Clerk of the Assembly for services during the Year 1804, shall not in future be held as a precedent, the same having gone up among the votes sent to the Council for their concurrence without these sums being supposed by a number of the Members of the House to be included in the list of votes then sent up.” The Chairman further Reported that the Committee had agreed to the same, which Report is accepted by the House. It is ORDERED, That the said Bill be Engrossed.

PETITION from the Inhabitants of *Frederickton*, complaining of the conduct of the Rev. *Walter Price*, a Member of this House, for marrying a woman under a feigned name, knowing it to be such, to a married man, which Petition was received and Read. ORDERED, That on account of the lateness of the season, the consideration thereof be postponed until the next sitting of the House of Assembly.

RESOLVED that a Bounty of *two shillings and six-pence* be allowed during the term of Two Years from the first day of *August* next, on every hundred weight of Merchantable Wheat Flour, made of the growth and manufacture of this Province, actually sold at the City of *Saint John*, or the Town of *Frederickton*, or any other County Town or Market in the said Province, to be ascertained on the Oath of the Seller before any two of His MAJESTY'S Justices of the Peace to their satisfaction, that such Flour is the production of Lands owned or occupied by him, who brought or sent the same to Market, and that the Flour so sold is over and above the quantity necessary for himself and his family, and that no Bounty had hitherto been paid or allowed on any part thereof, to any person or persons whatever. *Provided*, that whenever the current price of such Flour shall exceed *twenty-five shillings* per hundred weight at the Market of the City of *Saint John*, reference being had to the customary regulations made from time to time by the Mayor of the said City, for establishing the Assize of Bread made of such Flour as is above described, then and in such case such Flour be not entitled to the Bounty aforesaid, the quality of the Flour above described to be at all times ascertained by an Inspector to be appointed as other Town or Parish Officers are, and sworn to the faithful discharge of his Office—And that the Assembly will hereafter provide for the payment of such Bounties, *Provided*, the same does not in any one Year exceed the sum of *two hundred*

hundred and fifty pounds. ORDERED, That the above Resolution be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

THE HOUSE Adjourned until To-Morrow Morning at 11 of the Clock.

TUESDAY, 5th MARCH, 1805.

PRAYERS.

READ the third time as Engrossed "A Bill to appropriate the Public Revenue of this Province." ORDERED, That the said Bill pass and be sent up to the Council for their concurrence.

ORDERED, That the Clerk furnish the Committee appointed to correspond with the Provincial Agency in *Great-Britain* the Letters on the files of this House received from *William Knox*, Esquire.

MESSAGE was received from the Council, that they had concurred with this House in passing the following Bills, to wit: "The Bill for erecting the Eastern part of the County of *Westmorland* into a distinct Town or Parish," and "The Bill to continue the Act for regulating, laying out, and repairing Highways and Roads," and "the Bill to amend an Act for regulating the exportation of Butter," and "A Bill to continue sundry Acts of the General Assembly that are near expiring," and "A Bill to appropriate the Public Revenue." And also that they had agreed to a Resolution of this House for granting a Bounty on Flour.

MESSAGE was received from his Honor the PRESIDENT, requiring the attendance of this House in the Council Chamber. The House attended accordingly, and being returned, Mr. *Speaker* Reported that he had addressed his Honor the PRESIDENT as follows, to wit:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOR!

"The House of Assembly in discharging their public duty have been particularly attentive to the important objects recommended in your Speech at the opening of the Session.

"They have passed a Bill for the better regulating the Militia of the Province, and for preventing Desertion from His Majesty's Forces."

"They have continued such temporary Laws as have been found beneficial, have provided for punctuality of payments at the Treasury."

"They have provided for the encouragement and extending Literature, in giving aid to public institutions as well as private Schools."

"They have also continued the Revenue, and made provision for the public service."

"The House have the fullest confidence that these grants, as ample as the state of the Province will admit, will be frugally expended and conduce to the public benefit."

"They request your Honor's assent and acceptance thereof as the King's Representative in this Province."

"And that his Honor was then pleased to give his assent to the following Bills, to wit:

- A " Bill for the better regulating the Militia in this Province."
- A " Bill to continue an Act made and passed in the Thirty-Sixth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled an Act for regulating, laying out, and repairing Highways and Roads."
- A " Bill for the more effectual prevention of Desertion from His Majesty's Forces."
- A " Bill to provide for punctuality of payment at the Treasury by issuing Notes to the amount of the public appropriations."
- A " Bill to alter one of the Terms of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for the County of York."
- A " Bill to alter and amend an Act, intituled an Act for securing the Navigation of the River *Magagaudaic*."
- A " Bill to prevent the importation and sale of Goods by persons not His Majesty's subjects."
- A " Bill to enable the Commissioners of Highways in the Parishes of *Maugerville, Sheffield, and Waterborough*, to lay out Highways and to appropriate part of the statute labor for securing the Bank of the River in front of those Parishes."
- A " Bill for altering one of the Terms of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the County of *Sunbury*."
- A " Bill to continue an Act, intituled an Act, for the better securing the Navigation of *Passamaquoddy Bay* within *Deer-Island*."
- A " Bill in addition to an Act, intituled an Act, for regulating Juries, and declaring the qualifications of Jurors."
- A " Bill for erecting the Eastern part of the County of *Westmorland* into a distinct Town or Parish."
- A " Bill for the regulation of Booms for securing Masts, Logs, and Lumber in the County of *Charlotte*."
- A " Bill to continue an Act made and passed in the Forty-Third Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled an Act for raising a Revenue in this Province."
- A " Bill to regulate the Winter Roads in the Counties of *York* and *Sunbury*."
- A " Bill for granting aid in support of the College of *New-Brunswick*, incorporated by Charter and established at *Frédéricton*."
- A " Bill for encouraging and extending Literature in this Province."
- A " Bill for the better regulating the Value and Rates at which Gold Coin shall pass current in this Province."
- A " Bill to continue sundry Acts of the General Assembly that are near expiring."

A " Bill to amend an Act for regulating the exportation of Butter."

A " Bill to appropriate the Public Revenue."

And after which that His Honor had been pleased to make the following Speech to both Houses.

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

" The Business of the present Session is now finished, but I cannot dismiss you without a public acknowledgement of the attention, unanimity, and perseverance with which your deliberations have been conducted.

" Gentlemen of the Assembly,

" The provisions made for enabling the Treasurer to make immediate payment to the public creditors will prevent a repetition of the evils complained of, while the liberal supplies which you have granted, must in a short time satisfy all demands that can be made on the Treasury.

" The establishment for the encouragement and support of Literature will, I hope, be productive of the happiest effects in preparing the rising generation to tread in the footsteps of their parents, and enabling them to contend with the foremost in the cause of loyalty, and in a steady attachment to the British Constitution.

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

" The call on the Country by the regulations of the Militia is of essential importance, and when those regulations shall be carried into execution by a zealous people, they will, I doubt not, contribute effectually to our future peace and safety.

" I now dismiss you, Gentlemen, from further attendance at present in General Assembly; and recommend it to you to cultivate among your neighbours that harmony and public spirit without which no Country can be, nor indeed deserves to be prosperous."

And then that the Clerk of the Crown by His Honor's command had declared the General Assembly to be prorogued to the first TUESDAY in JUNE next.

