

LONDON, DECEMBER 23.

We are happy to hear that Wheat experienced at the Corn Market yesterday a further decline. It is five shillings a quarter lower than on Monday last.

Despatches from Lisbon to the 13th inst. are received at the Foreign Office. The government had expressed a readiness to meet the views of the British government, and to attend to the remonstrances made by the latter upon the subject of British persons arrested and in prison.—Don Pedro the Fourth, which was supposed to have been lost, had arrived outside the Bar. The bulletins relative to Don Miguel's health, from the 6th to the 12th, are drawn up in the same words.—"His Majesty continues without any change." This is rather extraordinary; he can hardly remain stationary. Either he must be worse or better.

The Journals des debats, in an article from Kalarash, of the 15th ult. insists upon it, that the fine and brave Russian army, half famished, and in the most miserable condition, is quitting Bulgaria in all directions. Part of the cannon have been buried—part carried off by oxen, for all the horses have perished. So great was the misery in the camp before the raising of the siege, that nearly 500 men died in the entrenchments on the 3d and 4th, without reckoning those who were killed in the continual sorties of the Turks.

With respect to the General Geismar, the accounts are contradictory, some say that he has been reinforced at Crajova by 4000 fresh troops, others, that he has been attacked in his camp at Kalafat, and compelled to abandon it.

GRECE.—The Ambassadors of the Allied Powers were at Poros on the 17th of November. Their last conferences are said to have related to the boundaries of the old Grecian states, which have not yet been settled. But the Morea having been released from all dependence upon Turkey, it is supposed that the French troops will return to France, leaving only a sufficient number to garrison the forts until the Greeks have been able to raise and discipline a force capable of defending them. The accounts from Toulon state that orders have been received for the return of the troops, which have been followed by other orders directing the embarkation of fresh troops.

Bulletin from the Russian Army. The St. Petersburg Gazette contains the following news from the army in the field, from Oct. 17 to Nov. 10:

"According to the general plan of the military operations, the third corps of infantry began on the 15th its march from Shumla. Up to the 19th it was not in the least disturbed by the enemy, inconsiderable marauding parties, which showed themselves from time to time in the rear, did not venture to attempt to impede the movement of the troops. But on the 19th, when the Corps was to pass a Woody Defile near the village of Adochela, the rear-guard was attacked by the enemy, who had come from Shumla with 8,000 chosen cavalry, and a detachment of infantry and artillery.

"Notwithstanding all his attempts, he was defeated, with great loss on his side; and the march of the third corps to the place of its destination was continued without any further interruption from the enemy, though the badness of the roads, in consequence of the cold & rainy weather, which set in remarkably early for that country, rendered the march every day more difficult. The weather also checked very much the progress of the siege of Silistria, yet they were proceeding as quickly as possible; but from the incessant torrents of rain, the ground in which the trenches were to be made was entirely under water, and the arrival of materials rendered not merely difficult but impossible, the Commander-in-chief, General Wittgenstein, resolved on the 2d November to change the siege into a bombardment, which was kept up with success two days and nights. Meantime the cold increased to 8 deg. Reaumur, or 13 deg. Fahrenheit below freezing, a heavy snow covered all our batteries and the clay luts of the soldiers, and large flakes of ice appeared in the Danube. In this manner nature itself, by the commencement of a winter of extraordinary severity, even in the northern countries, interrupted the progress of our operations before Silistria, and threatened to cut off the communication between the left and right banks of the Danube, and to stop the supplies of provisions and ammunition from the besieging corps. The blockade of Silistria was, therefore, discontinued, and on the 10th of November the troops of the second and third corps began their march to the winter quarters assigned them in Moldavia and Wallachia in two columns, one of which passed the Danube in vessels belonging to the flotilla on that river, near the village of Kalarash; and the others at Harshova, which covered this movement.

"To observe the garrison of Silistria, a strong division of the fleet remains opposite that fortress. The village of Kalarash, on the left bank, is being fortified, and redoubts erecting at suitable places opposite the fortress still in hands of the enemy. According to reports from Varna and its neighbourhood, nothing particular had occurred there, and the enemy had no where shown himself.

"In little Wallachia, the fortress of Kalafat has fallen into our hands. Barron Geismar took advantage of the terror caused by the fall of Varna, and by the defeat of the Pacha of Widdin at Bajalisch, and resolved to attempt an attack upon Kalafat. After a march of 50 wersts (nearly 34 miles) in one night, he appeared before the fortress, and the terrified garrison abandoned it with the greatest precipitation, flying in heaps to Widdin, in which retreat many were drowned in the Danube. As soon as our troops had got possession of this fort, they immediately began to erect additional works on the side next the Turks, by which Kalafat was put in a state of complete defence against any hostile attack. The possession of this fortress is so far important to us, as Little Wallachia is thereby protected against incursions from the right bank of the Danube.

"Accounts from Teflis, of the 4th November, relate various successes obtained over the Kurds in their attempts to intercept some hundred waggons with provisions, &c.—RUSSIAN STATE GAZ. Dec. 10.

[Extracts from the Journals of the House.]

FRIDAY, 30th January.

On motion of Mr. Weldon.—The House, according to the order of the day, went into committee of the whole, on the report from the Committee of Privilege upon the subject of a Resolution of His Majesty's Council, communicated to this House by Message, the 27th instant, protesting against the mode of including articles of taxation in Revenue Bills, without being previously submitted to their consideration.—Mr. Palmer in the Chair of the Committee.—The Chairman reported, "That the Committee having taken into their consideration the Resolution of His Majesty's Council of the 27th inst. are unanimously of opinion that such resolution is not warranted by Parliamentary usage, or any prior practice of the General Assembly of this Province, and that the same is an improper interference with the rights and Privileges of this House, and calculated to destroy the harmony which has for many years existed between the Council and House of Assembly."—Ordered, that the Report be accepted, and the Resolution agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Crane.—The House went into committee of the whole, on the Reports from the select committee on the Treasurer's accounts. Mr. Barlow in the Chair of the Committee.

The Chairman reported, that having gone into consideration of the Reports referred to them, they had passed the following resolutions, which he read:—Resolved, that the Treasurer of the Province be directed to call upon the Executors of the late Treasurer, for the balance of Six Thousand Pounds, reported by the Committee on the Treasurer's Accounts, as due from the Estate. One third of such sum to be paid in four months; one third in eight months; and the remainder in twelve months with interest.

Resolved, that the Deputy Treasurers in the different Parts of this Province, do in future furnish a statement of the manner in which they regulated payments from the Officers of His Majesty's Customs, and when such payments are made in British Money, that they dispose of the same to the best advantage, and account to the Province for such Premium as they may receive on such money.

Resolved, that the Deputy Treasurer at West Isles do forthwith pay over to the Deputy Treasurer at St. Andrews, the balance of £143 13 2, so long due from him, together with any further sum that may be in his hands; and if such gross neglect should again appear in this Officer's conduct, or if a similar case occur in any part of this Province, it is the opinion of this Committee, that it be the duty of the House of Assembly to make application to the proper quarter for the removal of such Officer.

Resolved, that the Treasurer, as well as the Deputy Treasurers, be directed to call on all the Auctioneers in their respective districts, and to require them forthwith to furnish a statement of the amount of Duties on Goods sold by them at Auction respectively, and not previously accounted for, and that they also report such Accounts to pay over to the said Treasurer, or Deputy Treasurer, as the House of Assembly shall direct.

Resolved, that in the opinion of this Committee, the Bonds, No. 32, and No. 102, included in the list of Bonds furnished by the Treasurer, as now in his hands, should be forthwith collected.

The Resolutions being handed in, were again read at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, that the report be accepted.

Mr. Allen, from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with an Address, praying His Excellency would be pleased to direct the Commissioners for superintending the erection of Government Houses, to accompany a Committee to be appointed by this House, to inspect the Building and Report thereon, having attended to that duty, Reported, His Excellency was pleased to say he would comply with the wishes of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. Allen, Mr. Scott, Mr. Barlow, Mr. Weyer, Mr. Freeze, Mr. Chandler, Mr. Treasurers, any duties that may be due by them. Weldon, Mr. Cunard, and Mr. Hayward, be a Committee to attend with the Commissioners for the inspection of said Building.

A Message from His Majesty's Council. Mr. Putnam, Master in Chancery, informed the House, that the Council had agreed to a Bill to authorize the extension of the Gaol limits in Fredericton.

And a Bill providing for the publication of the County Accounts.

And he further informed the House, that the Council had agreed to the resolutions of Appropriation sent up by the Assembly, dated 30th and 31st December, 1825, and 12th 15th, 16th, and 20th January, 1829, except the following:—

15th January. To James P. Quinn, £20, for Medicine and medical attendance, supplied by him for Emigrants from Rio de Janeiro.—To the Reverend John Carroll, Pastor of the Roman Catholic Chapel at St. John, £75, in aid of individual subscription, to enable him to continue a Free School for the education of the poor children belonging to that Communion, and to pay the debts due on account of such School.—To the Trustees of the Schools for the Parish of Portland, £10, to pay Lawrence O'Flanagan for teaching a School at Loch Lomond.—To Thomas Hanford and Thomas Raymond, £15 15s, amount of tonnage on wine imported by them, but exported to Trinidad without being landed in the Province.

16th January. To the Justices of St. John, £279 19 6, to defray the expense incurred by the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Portland, in support of sick and indigent Black Refugees.—£222 15 10, to defray the expense incurred by the Overseers of the Poor of the City of St. John, in the support and relief of sick and indigent Emigrants, in the year 1828.—£275 17 1 to defray the expense incurred by the Overseers of the poor of the Parish of Portland, in support of sick and distressed Emigrants.—To Sylvanus Haviland, £10, for damage in consequence of an alteration made in the Nerepis Road leading through his premises.—To the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Chatham, £16 7 1, for expenses incurred in the support of transient poor, to the 3d December, 1828.

20th January. To Wm. H. Lyon, £20, for services rendered to poor travellers and distressed Emigrants.

26th January. To the Adjutants of Militia, £240, for the year 1829.

And that they had directed him to communicate the following resolution:—Resolved, that the Council will not in future concur in a grant for the Vaccine Institution, unless it shall appear that the Inoculating Surgeon of the Institution has been at all times provided with fresh Vaccine matter.

Mr. Chandler from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Honourable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had on a Bill for the regulating, laying out, and repairing Highways. Also, a Bill further to amend the Acts relative to Streets and Highways in the City and County of St. John.—Reported, that he had attended to that duty, and that he found the following entries:—

"Council Chamber, January 28, 1829. "PRESENT.—Chief Justice, Justice Bliss, Mr. Black, Mr. Shore, Justice Botsford, Mr. Bailie, Mr. Wurd. "Went again into the second reading of the Bill for regulating, laying out, and repairing Highways.

"On motion, Resolved, that the further consideration of this Bill be put off for three months. And therefore further Resolved, that by the provisions of this Bill, the Commissioners of Highways are required to do the duty of Assessors, by estimating the amount of property of persons liable to work on the Highways.

"That at present there is no Legislative direction as to the object or mode of making assessments. But in executing that public and important duty, Assessors are wholly left to their own discretion, thereby subjecting the Property of the subject to their uncontrolled and arbitrary discretion.

"That the amount of the taxes must necessarily increase with the increase of the population and wealth of the Community; it therefore becomes the imperative duty of the Legislature to interfere, and to regulate the same, before any additional burdens are imposed upon the people.

That the Council are, and always have been, (as communicated to the House of Assembly in a conference in 1810.) ready to give their assent to a Law by which all labour of the Highways, beyond a proper number of days work, to be performed by every male inhabitant of a proper age and description, may be apportioned; whenever a law shall be passed for ascertaining, taxable property, with proper and adequate provisions.

"Read a second time, the Bill further to amend the Acts relative to the Streets and Highways in the City and County of Saint John.

"On motion, Resolved, that the further consideration of this Bill be put off for three months."

SATURDAY, 31st January. On motion of Mr. Dow.—Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Honourable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had upon a Bill to authorize Ministers of Dissenting Congregations to solemnize Marriage in this Province.

Ordered, that Mr. Dow be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. Hayward.—The House went into Committee of the whole, in further consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. Partelow in the Chair of the Committee.—Resolved, that there be granted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, the sum of £200, to be applied towards improving the Great Road from St. John to the River Misegash. To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, the sum of £50, towards improving the Great Road from Saint John to St. Andrews, 50l. part of the said sum of £50, to be laid out from Maguagadivic St. Andrews through the Wilderness, provided that such sum should remain unexpended after the British Maguagadivic.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, the sum of £275 12 5, to enable the Commissioner-in-Chief, to reimburse the Overseers of the poor for the City of Saint John, and Parish of Portland in the County of St. John, for sums advanced by them to Distressed Emigrants and Black Refugees, on satisfactory proof being laid before His Excellency of such expenditure.

To Benjamin C. Chaloner, the sum of £117 10, being the amount of his accounts for gauging and weighing for the Province, for the year 1828. To Benjamin C. Chaloner, Tide Surveyor at the City of Saint John, the sum of £30, for his services from the 1st of May, 1828, to the 1st of May, 1829. To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, to pay Thomas Heavside, the sum of £100, on account of his services, in auditing the public Accounts.

And the Chairman further reported, he was directed to ask leave to sit again.

A Message from His Majesty's Council. Mr. Putnam, Master in Chancery, acquainted the House, that the Council had passed the following resolution:—

"Resolved, that the Council do agree to join the House of Assembly, in a dutiful and humble address to His Majesty, praying, that His Majesty will be pleased to take into His most gracious consideration, the orders by which the granting of Lands on the terms stated in the Royal Instructions have been suspended, and that he would be pleased to annul the same."

Ordered, that Messrs. Chandler, Partelow, Cunard, and Crane, be a committee to join such committee as may be appointed by the Council to prepare the address.

And further Ordered, that Mr. Chandler acquaint the Council with such appointment.

MONDAY, 2d February. On motion of Mr. Partelow.—Ordered, that the House do to-morrow go into Committee of the whole, in consideration of the Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, received the 28th inst. upon the subject of the Customs Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Weldon.—The House went into committee of the whole, in further consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.—Mr. Partelow in the Chair of the Committee. The Chairman reported, that the Committee had passed several other Resolutions, which he read, and they being handed in at the Clerk's table, were again read, and are as follow:—Resolved, that there be granted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander-in-Chief for the time being, the sum of £100, to pay the Quarter Master General, for his services from the date of his appointment until the end of the year 1829; and a further sum not exceeding £100, to enable the Quarter Master General to take care of the Arms sent out for the use of the Militia Forces.—To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander-in-Chief, a sum not exceeding £500, for defraying the expenses which may be incurred for the protection of the Revenue for the ensuing year.—To Thomas P. Marter, Tide Surveyor at the Port of St. John, for his service from the 1st February, 1828, to the 1st February, 1829, the sum of £75, and this allowance to be discontinued thereafter.—And the Chairman further reported, that he was directed to ask leave to sit again.—Ordered, that the Report be accepted and leave granted.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—Mr. Secretary Odell delivered the following Message:—

"NEW-BRUNSWICK. "MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY. "HOWARD DOUGLAS. 30th Jan. 1829.

"The Lieutenant-Governor acquaints the House of Assembly, that in consequence of the want of money in the Treasury to meet several urgent demands upon it, he was under the necessity of applying to the President, Directors and Company of the Bank of New-Brunswick, in whose hands the Casual Revenue was deposited, to make advances out of the same, for the payment of the several Warrants drawn for Grants of 1826 and 1827, with an understanding that the same should be replaced out of the first monies coming into the Treasury.

"The Bank consented to make the requisite advances, but having made a close deposit of the Crown Money, applied their own funds to the payment of Warrants, amounting to £7,557 10, a list of which is herewith transmitted; which Warrants were lodged in the Bank, there to remain until the same were taken up by the Treasury.

"The Lieutenant-Governor further informs the House, that the amount of the said Warrants still remains due to the Bank, the directors of that Institution having, in compliance with the Lieutenant-Governor's request, agreed to extend the time for payment, in full confidence that the Legislature would make provision for the interest upon the sums to be advanced for the Public Service.

"The Lieutenant-Governor considering that the Public have derived much benefit from these advances, and that many necessary appropriations must have remained unpaid to this day, had the Bank required payment as was at first stipulated, recommends to the House of Assembly, that inter-

est should be paid on the amount of the said Warrants, from such time as the House may consider proper under all the circumstances of the case.

"The Lieutenant-Governor takes this opportunity of communicating to the House of Assembly, certain regulations which were made by His Excellency and His Majesty's Council, during the last summer, to enforce a more strict observance of the provisions of the Revenue Laws.

"1. In cases where it can be done without inconvenience, the Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer to send a notice to the principal of any instalment becoming due on a Bond, a week or ten days before the time of payment; and if not paid, to notify the surety immediately.

"2. A strict attention to the Revenue Law in future to be enforced; and that it be incumbent on the Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer, to send to the Attorney-General all Bonds, any part of which has been one month over due and remaining unpaid.

"3. That care be taken to have sufficient sureties, and particular reference be had to the sum for which persons proposed as sureties may already stand bound to the Treasury.

"4. That it shall be the duty of the Attorney-General, within twenty days after the end of each year, to render, in duplicate, the following accounts brought up to the close of the year, one copy to remain in the Secretary's Office, and the other to be laid before the Assembly.

"First.—A List of Bonds received from the Treasurer and Deputy Treasurers, specifying the dates when the same were received, and particularly noting, in a distinct column, such Bonds as were not received by him within two months after any instalment thereon being in arrear, (which allows a month for the transmission), accompanied by a statement of the proceedings had on such Bonds.

"Second.—An account of the monies by him collected, specifying distinctly the particular Bonds upon which payments have been made, with the time of such payments, and an account of the monies by him paid into the Treasury.

"5. That the Attorney-General be directed to write a Circular Letter to the several Sheriffs in those counties where Bonds are taken, requiring them to execute the several Writs sent to them for the collection of Crown Debts without delay; and to make returns according to the exigency thereof, and to pay over monies by them received, to the Attorney-General, or his order.

"That it shall be the duty of the Attorney-General, from time to time, to report to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander-in-Chief, any repeated neglect or default of any Sheriff in the discharge of that part of his duty, in order that the Public interest may not suffer from a continuance of the same. "H. D."

List of Warrants referred to in the Message to the House of Assembly, 30th Jan. 1829.

To Commissioners for Government-House, 5th June, 1827, £1100—paid 9th June, 1827.

To Sufferers by fire, 6th Oct. 1826, £4687 10 0, paid 10th July, 1827.

To Agricultural Society, 9th June, 1827, £700—paid 10th July, 1827.

To Commissioners for Government-House, 31st July, 1827, £1000—paid 4th Aug. 1827—Total, £7,357 10.

A Message from His Majesty's Council.—Mr. Bliss, Master in Chancery, informed the House that the Council had agreed to the Bill to prevent Pedlars travelling and selling within this Province, and that he was directed to communicate to the House, that the Council had appointed Mr. Justice Botsford, and Mr. Shore, a Committee, to join with the Committee of the House in preparing an Address to His Majesty, on the subject of the present system of disposing of the Crown Lands.

Mr. Dow, from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Honourable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings were had on a Bill to authorize Ministers of Dissenting Congregations to solemnize Marriage in this Province.—Reported, that they found the following Entry:—

"Monday, January 26, 1829. "PRESENT.—Mr. Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Bliss, Mr. Black, Mr. Shore, Mr. Justice Botsford, Mr. Bailie, Mr. Hurd, Mr. Robinson.

"Read a second time, the Bill to authorize dissenters to solemnize Marriage.

"On motion, Resolved, that the further consideration of this Bill be put off for three months."

On motion of Mr. Crane.—The House went into Committee of the whole, on the Message received from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, upon the subject of Monies advanced by the Bank of New-Brunswick, towards the payment of Treasury Warrants, as certain Regulations made in the Council for enforcing payment to the Treasury.—Mr. Ketchum in the Chair of the Committee.—The Chairman reported, that having gone into consideration of the said Message, they had passed a Resolution, which he read as follows:—

Resolved, that this Committee are of opinion, that the Bank of New-Brunswick is entitled to receive interest from the 1st January, 1829, on the sum of £7,357 10, due to the said Bank, as communicated by His Excellency's Message, dated 30th ult. received this day, and that provision should be made in the Committee of Supply.

The Resolution being handed in at the Clerk's table, was again read, and agreed to by the House.—Ordered, that the Report be accepted.

TUESDAY, 3d February. On motion of Mr. Allen.—Resolved unanimously, that this House are desirous to present an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to express the high respect which they entertain for His Excellency, and their regret that he is about to depart from this Province for Great-Britain; and that the Speaker do communicate the desire of this House to His Excellency.

On motion of Mr. Chandler.—The House, according to the order of the day, went into Committee of the whole, on the Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, received 28th January, upon the subject of the Custom Salaries.

Read a third time as engrossed—A Bill further to amend the several Acts, providing for the more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in the City and County of St. John. Resolved that the Bill do pass.

Ordered, that Mr. Partelow take the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence thereto.

On motion of Mr. Hayward.—The House went into Committee of the whole, in further consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. Partelow in the Chair of the Committee. Resolved, that there be granted to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty, of the City of Saint John, the sum of £300, to enable them to erect a Pier, on the shoal, where the Beacon now stands, and to place a Harbour Light thereon, in order to facilitate the navigation into the Harbour of St. John. The said sum to be taken out of the surplusage of the money collected for the Light House.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had agreed to a Resolution of this day, upon the subject of an Address, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, upon his taking his departure from this Province, communicated to His Excellency the wishes of the House, in the following Letter:—

"SIR.— "I am directed by the House of Assembly, to inform your Excellency, that it is their wish to present an Address to you, that they may have an opportunity to express to you, the high respect they entertain for your Excellency, and their regret that you are about to depart from this Province for Great-Britain.

"And I beg leave to say, that I shall feel much obliged by the expression of your Excellency's sentiments, as regards the wishes of the House of Assembly.

I have the honor to be, with great respect, Your Excellency's Most Obedient Servant, CHARLES SIMONS, Speaker of the House of Assembly.

To His Excellency Major General, Sir HOWARD DOUGLAS, Bart, Lieut-Governor, &c. &c. &c. And that he had received from His Excellency the following Reply:—

"SIR, "I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication, of this day's date, acquainting me, that it is the wish of the House of Assembly to present an Address to me, on my approaching departure from this Province. Placing great value in the sentiments and opinions which you state to be entertained by the House of Assembly, I shall receive with great satisfaction the Address which it is the wish of the House to present. I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient Humble Servant, HOWARD DOUGLAS."

Ordered, that Mr. Allen, Mr. M'Kay, Mr. Munro, Mr. Partelow, and Mr. Campbell be a Committee to prepare the Address.

WEDNESDAY, 4th February. Mr. Allen, from the Committee to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, previous to His Excellency taking his departure from this Province, for Great-Britain, submitted a draft thereof, which he read, and it being handed in, was again read before the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Allen.—The House went into consideration of the said Address.

The Address, as prepared, being unanimously agreed to by the House, was ordered to be engrossed, signed by the Speaker, and presented to His Excellency by the whole House.

On motion of Mr. Partelow.—Whereas in pursuance of a Resolution of the House at the last Session, His Excellency was pleased to appoint Thomas Heavside, Esq. to audit the Provincial Accounts; and whereas this House are of opinion that the examining and auditing of Public Accounts can be much better performed by a Committee of this House, than in any other way:—Therefore Resolved, that Mr. Heavside do confine his examination to such Accounts as are connected with the monies paid by the Treasurer, prior to the 1st January, 1829. And whereas, of the large amount of Monies granted for the Public Services, during the last Session, for various purposes, and received by Commissioners and others, for the expenditure thereof, considerable sums in the different Counties are yet unaccounted for, and in some cases acknowledged balances, where accounts have been furnished, remain due to the Province; and whereas it is necessary that some measure should be adopted by the House in order that persons who have been so grossly negligent, should be compelled to answer for such delinquency; therefore resolved, that a Committee be appointed to consist of one or more Members for each County, who are required to correspond with all such persons in the several Counties, who have hitherto not accounted for balances due on monies received for any Public Services; and that Mr. Heavside do without delay furnish a list to the said Committee of the names of the persons so having Public Money, in order that the Committee may respectively, in the several Counties where they reside, direct such defaulters to account for the same to the Treasurer or his Deputies, in the several Counties.

The House went into Committee of the whole, in further consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. Partelow in the Chair of the Committee. The Chairman reported, that they had passed several other Resolutions, and they being handed in at the Clerk's Table, were there read, and are as follow:—

Resolved, that there be granted to George K. Lugin, the sum of £103 16 10, being the amount allowed by the Committee of this House, as the balance due him for printing. To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander-in-Chief, the sum of £59 3 7, to pay the Commissioners for repairs on the old Government-House for the year 1827, and the sum of £14 3 3, for the year 1828. Also, the sum of £47 8 2, to pay Richard Dunn, for repairs on the Port of St. John. To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, a sum not exceeding £400, for the purpose of defraying the expense of building a Light House, on the Northern Head of Campo Bello Island, one half of the sum to be paid in the present year, and the other half in 1830. To T. P. Marter, Tide Surveyor of the Port of Saint John, for his services, the sum of £25, in addition to the sum of £75, already granted. To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander-in-Chief, a sum not exceeding £450, to enable him to pay any interest on Treasury Warrants in the Bank of New-Brunswick, such interest to continue to be paid quarterly, until it be paid quarterly on whatever sum may be in the Bank at the respective periods. To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander-in-Chief, the sum of £50, towards defraying the expense of printing the Journals of the House of Assembly, of the present Session.

To William F. Odell, Esq. the sum of £75, as compensation for his services for issuing Warrants from 28th February, until the 16th December, 1828. To the Clerk of the House of Assembly, the sum of £238 17 8, to enable him to pay the contingent expenses of the present Session.

That the following was then moved:—Resolved, that there be granted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander-in-Chief, the sum of £770, to be applied towards the support of the several Grammar Schools in this Province, hereinafter named, for the year 1829, in the following proportions, to wit:—

To the Grammar School in St. John, £150. To the Grammar School in the Parish of St. John, £120. To the Grammar School in Westmorland, 100. To the Grammar School in Northumberland, 100. To the Grammar School in Sunbury, 100. To the Grammar School in Kings County, 100. To the Grammar School in Queen's County, 100.

And upon the question for sustaining the same, the Committee divided. YEAS 21. NAYS 2.

It was carried in the affirmative. Read the engrossed Address of the House to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, upon his departure from the Province.

Ordered, that Mr. M'Kay, Mr. Ketchum, and Mr. Miles, be a Committee to wait on His Excellency to know when he will be pleased to receive the Address.

THURSDAY, 5th February. Mr. Partelow, the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Honourable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had on a Bill to alter and amend the Militia Laws.—Reported, that they found the following entry:—

"Council Chamber, 30th January 1829. "Read a second time, the Bill to alter and amend the Militia Laws.

"On motion, Resolved, that the further consideration of this Bill be put off for three months."

Mr. Chandler, the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Honourable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had on a Bill relative to Grammar Schools in this Province.—Reported that they found the following entries:—

"Council Chamber, February, 1829. "Read a second time, a Bill relative to the Grammar Schools.

"On motion resolved, that the further consideration of this Bill be put off for three months.

"And further resolved, that the Council concur in opinion with the House of Assembly, that the provisions made by the Legislature for the support of Grammar Schools are larger than the present circumstances of the Country will admit; and being also further of opinion that the Inhabitants of the respective Counties, who are desirous of having Grammar Schools established, should contribute towards the support of the same, they

will at all times be ready to concur in a Bill to introduce retrenchment in the present system, provided such Bill is perpetual."

Mr. Scott, the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Honourable the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had on a Bill to enable Defendants to enter Pleas by themselves.—Reported, that they found the following entry:—

"Read a third time, a Bill to enable Defendants to enter Pleas by themselves."

"On motion resolved, that the further consideration of this Bill be put off for three months."