

*Votes and
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ture and Degree of this Mischief, and put an effectual Stop to it by prudent Provisions.

The State and Condition of our publick Roads, the Defects of the present Laws for keeping them in Repair, and the general Advantage which will result from opening a Communication between our Merchants and distant Settlers, deserve your Attention: And I have experienced so much Inconvenience, from the Want of a precise Rule, by which the Extent and proper Application of the penal Statutes of *England* may be sufficiently ascertained, that I must again earnestly recommend this Topick to your Consideration.

It will give me great Pleasure to co-operate with you in ordaining such Laws as may be conducive to the Welfare of this Province, as well in respect of the Subjects I have taken the Liberty to mention, as of any other that may occur.

Mr. Speaker, attended by the Members of the Lower House, returned. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDERED, That the Governor's Speech, a Copy of which was delivered to Mr. Speaker, be read; and the same was read accordingly.

The House adjourns till 3 o'Clock.

POST MERIDIEM.

The House met.

RESOLVED, That the Hours for sitting for Dispatch of the publick Business, during this Session, be from Nine o'Clock in the Morning, until One in the Afternoon: and from Three till Five.

ORDERED, That a Message be prepared to the Upper House, acquainting them therewith.

The following Message, *viz.*

By the LOWER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, October 13, 1773.

May it please your HONOURS,

THIS House hath appointed from Nine o'Clock in the Morning until One in the Afternoon, and from Three till Five, for it's sitting every Day during this Session, for the Dispatch of the publick Business.

Signed by Order, JOHN DUCKETT, Cl. Lo. Ho.

Was sent to the Upper House by Mr. *Thomas* and Mr. *Hammond*.

They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered their Message.

ORDERED, That the Rules of last Session, be observed this Session.

The following Resolve.

RESOLVED *by the House,* That the Members who shall be appointed as Members of the Committee of Aggrievances, have likewise the Character of a Committee for Courts of Justice; and that