

The General Assembly

Places	Represented by
St. George Parish	Walter Carew---Mich Coker
St Mary's	Harry Fisher—alex Lyons
St. David's	Thos Simpson Spt- Chw. Irvine
St. Andrew's	Jon Hamilton—Hugh Rupel
St. Patrick	Wm. Gardiner—Wm Sloane
St. Paul's	Duncan Campbell
St John's	Wm Keats
Plymouth Town on Courland Bay	James Orr

The Acts passed in this section were as follows:

- 1st An Act to settle the rate of Interest, and damages on protested Bills
- 2nd An Act declaring slaves to be real property
- 3rd An Act- 'for the establishing a Register Offices
- 4th-An Act- 'for the good order, and Government of slaves
- 5th - An Act for the Regulating of Tipping Houses

The three first laws were most necessary to an infant colony declaring and instituting the validity of security to be tendered for the advance of money, for carrying on the plantations: the fourth laws was a measure of safety; the fifth an appendix to it of police. The laws had the residents' assent- but were not conferred by the King in Council-from circumstances, which will be explained.

1769, on May the 9th -the Commission held their fifth cendrie and disposal of lots to the amount of 5183 acres of which 3,800 were in the parish of St. John. It has been observed that early as 1766-7, the lands of the parish of St. Andrews and of St. Patrick had been fully appropriated. The inconvenience from want of water as represented by Mr. Gipps might have determined advocators from bidding at the first tender of allotments in this district for sale;- but discoveries had since been made of springs of water, to appearance perennial for the supplying ponds and streams; and the objective of drought being removed, The facilities of tillage and conveyance attracted the regard of some gentlemen, of the best intelligence and most opulent connections, who had come from Scotland and arrived in time for the sales in 1766. The settlement in this division of the island, undertaken by such men, possessing such means of progress, was conducted, with unobstructed exertion and with proportional success.

Sandy plain exhibited the earliest view of a cleared and cultivated country:- increases supplies for a plantation were encouraged required and ordered- and as they