

The Acts passed in this session were.

- 1--- an Act--- For the establishment of a Court of C. Pleas
- 2--- an Act--- For appointing and regularity of Office of Treasures
- 3--- an Act--- For raising money for public service
- 4--- an Act--- For the making public roads
- 5--- an Act--- An Act for the raising a militia

At this, first sitting of a representative assembly under immediate authority from the Crown, summons to perform its trusts and duties, according to usage of its great prototype all was conducted in proper form.

The speaker was chosen presented, and approved of by the President acting as Governor- the claims of access found privileges of debate and freedom from arrest and for the members was preferred and granted: and before the Legislature was procured, the House of Assembly, discussed and settled its rules of order and proceeding in debate.

1770, June the 5th The Commissioners arrived and held their sixth **undue**, when 9362 acres were sold in the Parishes of St. David, ST. Mary's, ST. Paul and ST. John:- and the appropriations in ST. Mary's were completed.

The settlement of Queens Bay division, forming the Parish of St. Paul had commenced only in 1767;- The slaves newly imported from Africa, and destined to work in this rugged district had the laborious task of cutting down woods hanging on steep declivities, and if the smoothing paths for intercourse and conveyance over or thro' hard and pointed rocks. Scanty food or food they were unaccustomed to, accompanied with the severities attending first coercion, aggravated the grievances of this toil. Hence a sullen and repertory spirit had shown itself in the deportment of the Negroes;- but it proceeded not alone from feelings of oppression by overlabour or plain hunger: Two Creole overseers hired from Barbados, who, in the Planters absence ruled the large estate in Queens vale, wandered in the exercise of every opportunity and insult to the poor slaves;- and having ordered a Negro to bring his wife to him under the penalty of the whip;- Resentment struck the spark and predisposition from general sufferance to revolt, caught and communicated the flame and the entire mass of Africans in that