

FRIDAY, 6th FEBRUARY, 1829.

you will discern, in the communication I am instructed to make to you, a fresh proof of that liberal policy towards the Colonies, which prevails in His Majesty's Councils.

The usual Accounts and Estimates shall be laid before you, and I trust you will make the necessary provision for the public service.

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council,
Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,*

Fully sensible that it is my duty, as it is my inclination, to execute the trust committed to me by my Sovereign, with the utmost advantage to the Province, it has naturally been my endeavour to make myself acquainted with its general interests, and to ascertain how far the measures, recently adopted, by the Legislature, were, on trial, likely to produce the results for which they were contemplated.

The Fisheries have, under the encouragement you have afforded them, been engaged in with spirit, and, it is hoped, with advantage to the persons most interested in their success; and although I am not yet enabled to give you all the information desirable, in regard to the operation of your Act for promoting the establishment of Schools, it appears to have been extensively beneficial. A full report on this interesting subject shall be submitted to you, so soon as the Commissioners in the several Counties shall supply the necessary details.

I shall freely communicate with you by Message on all subjects touching the public interests, as occasions may arise, in the fullest assurance, that any suggestion which, by your labours, can be rendered subservient to the increase of the general welfare, will not be recommended by me to your consideration in vain.

Ordered, That Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Haliburton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. Murdoch, be a Committee to prepare an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech.

Ordered, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. J. R. Dewolf, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Barry, and Mr. Stewart, be a Committee of this House, for the purpose of examining the Public Accounts, jointly, with a Committee of His Majesty's Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. Murdoch, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Dickson, be a Committee to examine into, and report on, the expiring Laws.

Resolved, That no Petition, of a private nature, be received after Thursday, the twenty sixth day of February instant.

John Forman, Esquire, returned duly elected a Member for the County of Shelburne, took his seat, having previously taken the Oaths prescribed by Law, and subscribed the usual Declaration, in the presence of the Honorable James Stewart, one of the Commissioners appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at two of the Clock.

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PRAYERS.

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech, that the Committee had drawn up an Address accordingly; and he afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:

Committee to prepare Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech

Committee on Public Accounts

Committee on expiring Laws

Private Petitions

J. Forman takes his seat for Co. of Shelburne

Report of Address in answer to Speech