

crease and strengthen those warm feelings of gratitude and devoted loyalty and attachment to His Majesty's Person and Government which have always characterized its inhabitants.

We duly appreciate the motives which induced your Excellency at so early a period after your arrival to visit so many parts of the Colony; and it is most pleasing to learn that your Excellency highly approves of the system which has been adopted in the construction of the Roads and Bridges and other internal communications—and the more especially so as proceeding from your Excellency, who has travelled extensively within His Majesty's North American Dominions. It is no less true than creditable, that those great improvements have been effected by the almost unaided efforts of the resident Colonists; and we feel assured that under your Excellency's administration every effort will be used which a prudent zeal for the public welfare could dictate or suggest, to carry into effect the provisions made by law for extending those indispensable facilities to the remotest sections of the Colony.

We fully coincide with your Excellency as to the expediency of erecting an edifice for the safe deposit of all public records, the want of which has been solely occasioned by the limited resources of the Colony, but we hope that an increase of Revenue will speedily enable the Legislature to accomplish this important object.

We have also to regret that the means of the Country are as yet inadequate to the founding of Hospitals and other charitable Institutions, the necessity of which becomes daily more apparent.

It is with much pleasure that we respond to the sentiments expressed by your Excellency on the subject of Education, and we shall gladly avail ourselves of your Excellency's valuable suggestions, when that important subject shall come more immediately under our consideration. We also feel thankful for the sincere desire which your Excellency has expressed of being enabled to give effect with His Majesty's Government to our wishes relative to the appropriation of the funds raised under a recent Colonial Statute, for the general purposes of Education.

In conclusion, we beg to assure your Excellency, that in our intercourse with the other branches of the Legislature, it will be our endeavour to maintain that harmony and unanimity so essentially necessary to the public welfare, and so earnestly recommended by your Excellency.

*Ordered*, That the said draft Address be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Binns took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Binns reported, that the Committee had gone through the Address reported from the Special Committee, paragraph by paragraph, without making any amendment thereto—and the Report being again read at the Clerk's Table was agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Binns*, Mr. *Pope* and Mr. *Green* be a Committee to wait on His Excellency to know his pleasure when he will be attended by the House with the Address—who returning, reported, that His Excellency had been pleased to appoint to-morrow at Three o'clock to receive the House.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee on the Report of the Special Committee appointed to examine and report on the expiring Laws, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thornton took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again—which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to resume the consideration of the Report of the Special Committee on the expiring Laws.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thornton took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Thornton* reported, that the Committee had come to several Resolutions; which Resolutions were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House, and are as follow :