
MONDAY, 12th January, 1852.

PRESENT:

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Gilbert,
Mr. Ryan.*

*Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Hatch,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Odell,
Mr. Steves,*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House was put into Committee of the whole to take into consideration the Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech.

The Honorable Mr. Chandler took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the said Address, and recommended the same, without any amendment, to the adoption of the House.

ORDERED, That the Report be received.

The said Address being read, was then adopted by the House, and is as follows:—

*To His Excellency Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, Lieutenant Governor and
Commander in Chief of the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.*

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF HER MAJESTY'S LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN
GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENED.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Legislative Council in General Assembly, beg to offer our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech at the opening of the present Session.

The promptitude shewn by Your Excellency in calling us together at an earlier period than usual, with an especial reference to the important subject of establishing Railways in these Provinces, evinces Your Excellency's watchful care for the public interests.

We lament the decease of the King of Hanover, another member of the illustrious House of Our Most Gracious Sovereign.

The promise of Your Excellency to lay before us Papers relating to the proposed construction of a Halifax and Quebec Railway, affords us much satisfaction, being convinced that the people of this Province are anxiously expecting information respecting this great work; and we hope it may be found to consist with the true interests of New Brunswick, cordially to co-operate with Canada and Nova Scotia, in accepting the proffered aid of Her Majesty's Government.

The Bill alluded to by Your Excellency for amending the European and North American Railway Act, shall receive our best attention.

We fully appreciate Your Excellency's observations on the establishment of a Railway uniting Canada and Nova Scotia with this Province, connecting us at the same time with the United States; and as there is no subject in the present advanced state of
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