

"We regret to learn that the general prosperity of the Island has been marred by disturbances which took place in the Colony during the past summer; but as these disturbances were confined to certain sections of Queen's County, we would respectfully represent to your Excellency that the inhabitants of King's and Prince Counties have maintained the supremacy of the law, and have not offered any organized resistance to the civil authorities during the year referred to in your Excellency's Address."

The question of concurrence was put thereon, the House divided, and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:

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Hon. Mr. *Dingwell*,  
Mr. *McDonald*,  
Mr. *Walker*,—3.

## NON-CONTENTS :

Hon. Mr. *Anderson*,  
Mr. *Beer*,  
Mr. *Goff*,  
Mr. *Henderson*,  
Mr. *McLaren*,  
Mr. *Palmer*,  
Mr. *Ramsay*,—7.

So it was resolved in the negative.

The Address was then agreed to, and is as followeth :

*To His Excellency GEORGE DUNDAS, Esquire, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c., &c., &c.*

## MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the members of the Legislative Council, at present convened in General Assembly, offer Your Excellency our thanks for your Speech, with which Your Excellency opened the present Session, as well as our congratulations on again meeting you after Your Excellency's absence of some duration in Great Britain.

We feel it an important part of our duty to consider what means it will be best to adopt in regard to the commercial interests of this colony as likely to be affected by the recent termination of the Reciprocity Treaty between the United States and Great Britain.

We will proceed to give due consideration to the proceedings of the Council summoned by the Governor General on the subject and consideration of commercial treaties, and to which a delegate was sent from this Island, so soon as we receive the report of such proceedings, which Your Excellency intends to lay before us.

We hope this colony will not fail to participate in any advantage that may be produced by an extension of its trade with the West Indies, Brazil, and Mexico, should the mission sent from this Island on that subject be attended with any favorable results.

It is much to be deplored that the civil disturbances which took place in several parts of this Colony has so greatly injured the general prosperity of the past year, and that tenants holding lands were so far misled by ignorant or designing men, as to form themselves into an association for the purpose of withholding payment of their rents, in order to compel their landlords to sell their lands on such terms as the association should dictate. The law having been set at defiance, it is very gratifying to perceive that its authority has been firmly and impartially maintained by the presence of Her Majesty's troops, which it became necessary to introduce into the Colony in aid of the Civil Powers.

Consistently with the pledge in the preamble of the Act under which the Barracks in this City were sold, we shall be prepared to concur in any measure for appropriating the money arising from the sale of the old Barracks towards the expenses incurred in building the new Barracks, which Your Excellency has informed us have been erected, and are at present occupied by the troops.