

opening of the present Session, reported the draught of an Address, as prepared by the Committee.

*Ordered*, That the said draught 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. Douse took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Douse reported, that the Committee had gone through the draught Address reported from the Special Committee, paragraph by paragraph, had made several amendments thereto, and then agreed to the same—and the said Address being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:—

*To His Honor GEORGE WRIGHT, President and Commander in Chief in and over His Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto adjacent, Chancellor and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.*

*May it please Your Honor:*

We the Representatives of His Majesty's faithful Subjects of Prince Edward Island, in Colonial Parliament assembled, thank your Honor for your Speech at the opening of the present Session.

We lament the death of His late Excellency Lieutenant Governor Sir Aretas William Young; and we congratulate the Country, that the administration has devolved on a Gentleman whose long and intimate acquaintance with the affairs of the Colony, and whose good disposition towards all classes of His Majesty's Subjects therein, are well known and appreciated.

We thank your Honor for having assembled us in our Legislative capacity at a period of the year most suitable to our personal convenience.

We are gratified to observe, by your Honor's speech, that general tranquillity and contentment prevail, and that the advancement of the Colony is steady and progressive; and we trust that its Agriculture may continue to flourish.

On receiving the Public Accounts and Estimates, we beg to assure your Honor that the exigencies of the Public service shall be provided for, with a due regard to the resources of the Colony.

It is satisfactory to learn that the operation of the Boundary Bill has so far proved advantageous, and we hope its beneficial effects may yet be more generally experienced.

We shall devote our best attention to all communications which your Honor may be pleased to submit for our consideration during the Session; and we beg

to assure your Honor that we shall most heartily co-operate in every measure calculated to promote the welfare of the Colony.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Resolved*, That the said Address be presented to His Honor the President by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Pope, Mr. Douse and Mr. Thornton be a Committee to wait on His Honor the President, to know his pleasure when he will be attended by the House with the Address.

Mr. Pope reported, from the Committee appointed to examine what Laws have lately expired, or are near expiring—and he read the Report in his place, and delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as followeth:

An Act, 1 Will. 4, cap. 14, intituled "An Act to establish a reward for the destruction of Bears and Loupcerviers," will expire on the 12th day of May next.

An Act, 3 Will. 4, cap. 3, to revive and continue an Act of 5 Geo. 4, cap. 15, intituled "An Act to prevent the running at large of Sheep in the Town of Charlottetown," will expire on the 6th day of April next.

So much of the Act, 3 Will. 4, cap. 12, intituled "An Act to regulate and establish the stated times and places for holding the Supreme Court in King's and Prince Counties; and to constitute the Michaelmas Term of the said Court, in Queen's County, a Term for the Trial of Issues, for a limited period," as relates to making Michaelmas Term an issuable Term, did expire with the conclusion of the last Michaelmas Term of the said Court.

An Act, 5 Will. 4, cap. 2 (second Session), intituled "An Act for the increase of the Revenue in this Island," will expire the 6th day of May next.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be referred to a Committee of the whole House tomorrow.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to His Honor the President, to request that he will be pleased to acquaint this House if any and what steps were taken to recover from Coun Douly Rankin and his Sureties, the expences incurred in prosecuting an inquiry