## MESSAGE

## FROM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WITH CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS ON THE SUBJECT OF

## THE CLERGY RESERVES.

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council have passed the accompanying resolutions on the subject matter of the bill entitled "Au Act for the disposal of the Clergy Reserves in this Province for the purposes of General Education," to which they request the concurrence of the Commons House of Assembly.

JOHN B. ROBINSON.

SFEARER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER, Twenty-sixth day of March, 1835.

"Resolved—That His late Majesty King George the Third having been graciously pleased by message to both Houses of Parliament to express His Royal desire to be enabled to make a permanent appropriation of lands in this province for the support and maintenance of a protestant elergy within the same, provision was made for that purpose by Parliament, in the statute passed in the thirty-first year of His Majesty's reign, Chap. 31. by directing a reservation of lands to be made and set apart in the proportion of all the lands that should be granted by His Majesty in the said province, and by declaring that all and every the rents, profits, emoluments which might at any time arise from such lands so allotted and appropriated as aforesaid should be applied solely to the maintenance and support of a protestant clergy within the province, and to no other use or purpose whatever.

Resolved—That such allotments and appropriations as the act directs having been made from time to time, and continuing to be set apart under the designation of Clergy Reserves, a claim was advanced in the year 1821 on behalf of the Church of Scotland, to be allowed to share in those reserves, or in the rents, profits or empluments to be derived from them; which claim was made and has been urged, upon the footing of a legal claim, grounded on the construction of the statute, and on the rights of the Church of Scotland, as a church ex-

ablished in one part of the United Kingdom.