

R E P O R T.

In conformity with a resolution of the Honorable the House of Assembly passed on the 23rd of April last, in which it was declared that I should take charge of those copies of the Memorial on the subject of the Fisheries which were to be placed in the hands of certain Members of both Houses of Parliament, for presentation and support in those bodies ; and that I should call at the Colonial Office and urge the prayer of said Memorial on the attention of the Government,

I beg leave to report, that soon after my arrival in England I proceeded to London, taking with me the said several Documents confided to my care.

As the Parliamentary Session was fast drawing to a close, I lost no time in attending to the object of my mission, and having obtained from J. Bramley Moore, Esq., Mayor of Liverpool, letters of introduction to the Earl of Harrowby and the Members for the Borough, Sir Thomas Birch and Mr. Cardwell, I waited on his Lordship and handed to him the Memorial to the House of Lords, laying before him at the same time such information as I thought it well he should possess in reference to the subject. His Lordship received me with great courtesy, and listened with interest to the statements and suggestions I offered for his consideration ; and, on the 5th July, he presented the Memorial to the House of Lords, on which occasion His Lordship briefly but ably stated the views of the Legislature on the important subjects embraced.

The Memorial to the House of Commons was handed to G. R. Robinson, Esq., and presented by him on the day following. This long-trying friend of Newfoundland entered into the question with his accustomed zeal, and in presenting the Memorial, earnestly directed the attention of the House to the grievances of which it complained, and which he urged as being entitled to their grave consideration. Mr. Robinson had, previous to my arrival, given notice of his intention to bring the subject of our Fisheries before the House of Commons in the next Session, which I trust the improved state of his health will enable him to carry out with effect.

The communications addressed by this Assembly to the other Members of Parliament were also duly delivered, and I had personal interviews with Mr. Cardwell and Mr. McGregor, both of whom took a warm interest in our Colonial concerns, and expressed their willingness to advocate our interests whenever the matter became a subject of discussion in Parliament.

Report of Mr. Job of proceedings in England on the Address to the Home Government on the state of the Fisheries.