

Gentlemen of the Assembly,

I shall order to be laid before you a statement of the provincial revenues of the Crown for the last year, together with such part of the expenditure as may enable you to estimate the ways and means for the most necessary supplies; in bringing forward of which you will keep in view the advantages of providing for the public exigencies by a prudent restraint on luxury, and by regulations which may at the same time encourage and extend our commerce.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,  
and Gentlemen of the Assembly.

The Judges and Law Officers of the Crown have been directed to draw up and report their opinion on the subject of your address to me of the 28th day of May last; and I have much satisfaction in perceiving this early disposition on your part, to prevent and guard against abuses which might impede the course of Justice, or give rise to customs that would establish oppressive demands, and gradually efface from our minds a due sense of their unwarrantable origin.

Your own disinterested conduct in your Legislative capacity; your zealous endeavours to promote a general obedience to the Laws, connected with a benevolent attention to the interests of the subject, form a solid foundation for Government, and afford me great hopes that our New Constitution will be firmly established, and insure for ages to come the happiness of the people.

Upon motion of Mr. *De Bonne*, seconded by Mr. *Lees*,

*Ordered*, that a Committee of five Members be appointed, of which three shall form a *Quorum*, to report to this House at its next sitting, a draft of an Address of thanks in answer to the several objects contained in His Excellency the Right Honorable LORD DORCHESTER's gracious Speech, delivered this day to the Legislature of this Province; and that the said Committee do meet in one of the Committee rooms to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, and that His Excellency's Speech be referred to said Committee.

*Ordered*, also, that Messieurs *De Bonne*, *Lees*, *Taschereau*, *Grant*, and *J. A. Panet*, do constitute said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Taschereau*, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*,

*Ordered*, that a Committee of five Members be appointed, of which three shall form a *Quorum*, to revise the Ordinances relative to High-Roads and Bridges, and to prepare a Bill for the better making and repair-