Downing Street, 29th April, 1837.

SIR.

I have received Sir Archibald Campbell's Despatch of the 15th ultimo, No. 16, enclosing a Letter which had been addressed to him by the Collector and Comptroller of His Majesty's Customs at Saint John, in which they express their opinion that in the recent arrangement for the surrender of the Revenue at the disposal of the Crown to the Provincial Legislature, it was not contemplated by His Majesty's Government to include in that surrender the Duties of Customs received under the Acts prior to 18 Geo. 3, C. 12.

It appears scarcely necessary for me to say that the arrangement made between His Majesty and the Legislature of New Brunswick, cannot embrace any of the Revenues of the Crown received in that Province from Duties imposed by Acts of Parliament, of which Parliament may have confided the appropriation to the Lords of the Treasury; because without an express Parliamentary sanction it would not be within the power of His Majesty to alter or to assent to the alteration of the Law regulating the appropriation of such Duties. The cession is co-extensive with the powers of the Crown, but must necessarily be limited by them.

I have the honor, &c.

(Signed)

GLENELG.

SIT J. HARVEY.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in answer to his Speech at the opening of the Session, reported a draft thereof, which he read in his place.

ORDERED, That the report be received, and the said draft was again read by the

Clerk; and it was

Ordered, That the House be put into a Committee of the whole presently, to take the same into consideration.

The Honorable Mr. Shore took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had taken the said draft into consideration, and recommended the same without amendment to the adoption of the House.

The said Address having been read, was approved of by the House, and it is as follows:—

To His Excellency Major General Sir John Harvey, Knight Commander of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, and Companion of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF HIS MAJESTY'S LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY;

In approaching Your Excellency with our thanks for your Speech at the opening of the Session, our minds are impressed with no ordinary feelings of gratitude to our