

the People: and we shall be happy, if, while it is known we have not lost sight of these duties, we have deserved the character of being just and liberal.

His Excellency was pleased to give His Assent to the said Bill following, viz.

An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the Service of the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventeen; and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.

His Excellency was then pleased to make the following Speech :

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council,
Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,*

THE Business of this Session being brought to a conclusion, I have to acknowledge the close attention with which you have applied to the dispatch of Public Affairs; and it is also with great pleasure I have noticed the continuance of that harmony and unanimity which have now long prevailed in your deliberations.

I trust the measures you have adopted for the relief of the distress existing in certain Districts of the Province, will prove effectual, by affording a helping hand to industry, while a check is provided against improper demands on your Bounty.

I thank you for the liberal Supplies you have granted for the service of this Year: it shall be my duty to see that they are faithfully applied. And now, Gentlemen, it is with great pleasure that I dispense with your further attendance in General Assembly.

Afterwards the President of His Majesty's Council, by His Excellency's Command, said,

Gentlemen,

It is His Excellency's Will and Pleasure, that this General Assembly be prorogued to Thursday the Fifth Day of June next, to be then here held: and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the Fifth Day of June next.