

Mr. Brecken then moved, seconded by the Hon. J. Longworth, and the question being put, "Shall the Address as reported from the Committee be agreed to?" it was resolved in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who prepared the Address be a Committee to wait on His Excellency to know his pleasure when he will be attended by the House with the Address.

Then, on motion of the Hon. J. Hensley, seconded by Mr. Howlan,

The House adjourned until Monday next at Ten o'clock.

## Monday, April 16, 1866.

### PRAYERS.

MR. Brecken, from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to know his pleasure when he will be attended by the House with their Address, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to appoint this day at a quarter past Twelve o'clock, to receive the House in the Legislative Library.

The hour appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to receive the Address of the House in answer to His Excellency's Speech, at the opening of the present Session, having arrived; Mr. Speaker and the House went up;

And being returned—

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended upon His Excellency and presented their Address, to which His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

*Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,*

I thank you for your Address; and I trust that your endeavours to promote the welfare and prosperity of this Island will be blessed with success.

Then the House adjourned for one hour;

And being met—

The Hon. J. Longworth, a Member of Her Majesty's Executive Council, presented to the House Reports of the Visitor of Schools for the Eastern Section.

Reports of the Visitor of Schools for the Western Section—the latter incomplete—all for the past year, as transmitted by the Board of Education.

**See Appendix (B.)**

*Ordered*, That the said papers do lie on the table.

A petition of William S Macgowan and others, Merchants, and other inhabitants of Souris and adjacent Districts in King's County, was presented to the House by the Hon. J. Hensley, and the same was received and read, setting forth that they are of opinion that the establishment of a Public Bank at Souris to meet the increasing demands of trade, would have a tendency to develop more fully the Commercial, Agricultural and other resources of the surrounding Country and be a public benefit, and praying for a Charter or an Act of Incorporation, similar in its provisions to that granted to the other Banks established in this Island.