CHARLES HENRY DARLING-

The Governor begs to transmit to the Hon. the House of Assembly copies of Despatches from the Secretary of State, explanatory of the views of Her Majesty's Government, with respect to the exemption from duty, from whatever country imported, of articles now exempted only under the operation of the Reciprocity Treaty with the United States, and the Local Act establishing Duties of Impost, and transmitting a representation from the Minister of the Hanse Towns upon the subject.

C. H. D.

Government House, 18th February, 1857.

(For Documents accompanying, see Appendix.)

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

He also, by command of His Excellency, presented to the House the following documents:

Report of Captain D'Eyncourt, of H. M. S. Pylades, on the fisheries, for the year 1856:

Despatch enclosing letter from the Board of Trade, on the subject of the Act for Establishing the legal value of certain British and other Coins:

Despatch containing Report of the Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners, on certain regulations for granting Licenses of Search for, and Leases to work, Minerals in this Colony:

Circular Despatch relative to notification to the Board of Trade of the intention of any Colony to erect Light-houses on their Coasts:

Despatch enclosing Circular Instruction addressed by Mr. Marcy to the Sub-Collectors of Customs in the United States:

Despatch enclosing a Petition to the House of Assembly from William Maxwell Witham:

Circular recommending the adoption of a recent statute of the Imperial Parliament 18 and 19 Vic., Cap. 90:

Report of James L. Prendergast, Esq., as Preventive Officer at Labrador during the summer 1856.

(For which see Appendix.)