

impossible to make such particular examination as would be necessary, in order to make a full report to the House at this Session, and they recommend that they may be allowed to make a report of the state of this Building at the next Session of the General Assembly.

Ordered, that the Report be accepted.

On motion of Mr. Crane—It appearing to this House that Treasury Bonds to a large amount, taken many years ago, were remitted to the late Attorney-General for collection, and that the proceeds thereof have not been paid into the Treasury, nor any account whatever rendered to this House.—Thereupon resolved, that it is the opinion of this House, that immediate measures should be taken to prevent loss to the Public and that this House ought to be furnished with information on the subject, in order that they may be able to judge whether the injury sustained in consequence of the delay in collection has been occasioned by the neglect or default of any and what Public Officers.

On motion of Mr. Parker—Ordered that Mr. Ward be added to the Committee of Correspondence, as well as the joint Committee of the Council and Assembly, to collect information upon the subject of Penitentiaries.

The House attended His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in the Council Chamber, and presented him with the following address upon his approaching departure from the Province :—

“ To His Excellency Major-General Sir Howard Douglas, Bart., Lieutenant-Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Province of New-Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

66 **T**HE House of Assembly having learnt, that the important service to which our most Gracious Sovereign has appointed your Excellency, requires your immediate departure from this Province, cannot omit the only opportunity which may be afforded them, of expressing to your Excellency, the high sense, which they, in common with the whole population of this Colony, entertain of your Excellency's wise, paternal, energetic, and impartial Administration ; and they acknowledge with grateful feelings, that the deep and lively interest, which your Excellency from the first moment of your appointment to the Government of this Province, took in all that concerned its welfare, has continued undiminished.

“ Under the active, judicious, and vigilant, Administration of your Excellency, great improvement has been made in the rural economy of the Country : The Fisheries are more actively and successfully prosecuted ; the comfort and moral condition of the poorer classes have been much improved by the operation of those provident institutions which have been established at the recommendation, and under the Patronage of your Excellency ; and by the influence of other measures, recommended by your Excellency, many hitherto neglected internal resources have been developed, and the ground work laid for the gradual increase of the general prosperity of the Country.

“ To the persevering exertions of your Excellency, we are indebted for the establishment of an University, upon such enlightened principles as cannot fail to make it eminently useful in promoting Literature, so conducive to the happiness of mankind.

“ The constant solicitude, and unremitting zeal, with which your Excellency has devoted the energies of your active mind, to the advancement of the interests of His Majesty's Subjects of this Province ; the unvarying kindness with which the proper representations of all were received ; the patient attention with which those representations were examined, and the justice and impartiality which have marked your Excellency's decisions, all tend to bind still closer those ties, which unite us to the Parent State.

“ Be assured, Sir, that you will take with you the heartfelt wishes of the people of this Province, for your health and happiness, and their most ardent desires for your speedy return to this Government ; and we unite in prayers that your Excellency's passage across the Atlantic may be expeditious and pleasant ; that you may meet your amiable family in the enjoyment of health, and that you may be received by our