

5. We thank Your Excellency for directing the Report of the Adjutant General to be laid before us, and learn with pleasure that Your Excellency has been successful in reorganizing the Militia. We are fully aware of the difficulties which existed in the re-enrolment of a Force so long disbanded, but have ever enjoyed the fullest confidence in the loyal and martial spirit of the people of New Brunswick when called upon for self defence.

6. We thank Your Excellency for directing that the Reports on the Coast and River Fisheries shall be laid before us, and will carefully consider the necessary means for the preservation of this important source of Provincial wealth.

7. The question of introducing the Money Order System into the Post Office Department of this Province, shall receive our careful consideration.

8. We are gratified by the information that although the War in the United States continues to exercise its baneful influence throughout this Continent, Commercial enterprise is reviving, increased activity prevails in our Ship Yards, and symptoms of improvement are being manifested in other branches of industry.

9. We learn with satisfaction, that the labours of the Agriculturists have been attended with success, and that the Province has been blessed with an abundant Harvest, and we unite with Your Excellency in the hope that a greater amount of individual enterprise may be directed towards the Mineral resources of the Province.

10. We are pleased to learn that the new Silver Coinage has been received and put into circulation.

11. While we learn from Your Excellency that the Income of the past year has fallen below the Estimate, it is gratifying to be informed that the Receipts of the first Quarter of the current year very greatly exceed those of the corresponding period of the two previous years.

12. While we unite with Your Excellency in deploring the calamities which have befallen a kindred people, it is gratifying to know that peace and contentment prevail throughout the Province.

ORDERED, That the Address be presented to His Excellency by the whole House.

ORDERED, That the Honorable Messieurs Minchin and Seely be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to know when this House will be received with their Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session.

ORDERED, That the Journals of this House be printed daily, and that three hundred copies thereof be furnished for the use of this House.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 11 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 17th February, 1863.

PRESENT:

THE HON.

Mr. Saunders sitting as President.

*Mr. Minchin,
Davidson,
Seely,
Perley.*

*Mr. Harrison,
Steeves,
Mitchell,*

PRAYERS.