

the fine Colony of *Newfoundland*, unrivalled as the nursery of hardy seamen, and inexhaustible in its wealth of Fisheries, becomes part of the Dominion.

It is with great pleasure that we learn from Your Excellency that in accordance with the suggestion of Her Majesty's Government, an earnest attempt has been made to allay the discontent unhappily existing in *Nova Scotia*, and that the papers connected with this subject will be submitted to us for our favorable consideration.

We thank Your Excellency for informing us that in continuance of the course commenced last Session, Bills will be presented to us for the assimilation of the Criminal Laws existing in the several Provinces, and we agree with Your Excellency that no greater boon can be conferred on a Colony than a well defined code of criminal law, of general application and easy ascertainment.

We shall give our earnest attention and consideration to the Bills for the establishment of uniform and amended laws respecting Parliamentary Elections, Bankruptcy and Insolvency, and Patents of invention and discovery, which Your Excellency is pleased to say will be presented to us amongst other measures; and also to the important subjects of Banking and Currency, which Your Excellency informs us will be brought under our notice, as the Charters of several Banks are drawing to a close.

In considering these questions, which so deeply affect, not only the important interests of Commerce, but the daily transactions of life, we will endeavor to adopt such principles as, in their application, may ensure the greatest measure of safety to the Public, without curtailing the facilities requisite for the encouragement and extension of Trade.

We thank Your Excellency for the confidence with which you have committed to our deliberate judgment, the variety of topics you have enumerated as being of moment and pressing for decision within the limits of the Session; and we unite with Your Excellency in earnestly hoping that a blessing may attend our counsels and enable us to discharge, with dignity and effect, the great trust to which the order of Providence has called us.

Which said Address being read by the Clerk, was unanimously agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed, and that the same be signed by the Honorable the Speaker.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General by those Members of this House who are Members of the Privy Council.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Kenny*.

The House then adjourned until Monday next.

## Monday, 19th April, 1869.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable *Joseph Edouard Cauchon*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Aikins,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Holmes,</i>	<i>Mitchell,</i>
<i>Allan,</i>	<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Kenny,</i>	<i>Olivier,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Lacoste,</i>	<i>Reesor,</i>
<i>Archibald,</i>	<i>Cormier,</i>	<i>Leonard,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Armand,</i>	<i>Dickey,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Ryan,</i>
<i>Benson,</i>	<i>Duchessauy, E. H. J.,</i>	<i>Letellier de St. Jus',</i>	<i>Sunborn,</i>
<i>Bill,</i>	<i>Dumauchel,</i>	<i>Locke,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McCrea,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Batsford,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McCutly,</i>	<i>Skead,</i>
<i>Bourinot,</i>	<i>Foster,</i>	<i>McMaster,</i>	<i>Tessier,</i>
<i>Bureau,</i>	<i>Guévrinmont,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Wark,</i>
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Hamilton (Inkerman),</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Wilmot.</i>