

inform you on the best authority, that the prosperity of the North American Provinces is one of the main objects which Her Majesty the Queen has in view, and that in any adjustment of the Fishery Question, the interests of New Brunswick will be carefully considered."

Which being ended, the House of Assembly withdrew, and His Excellency was pleased to retire.

The Honorable the President reported His Excellency's Speech.

An Address, in answer to His Excellency's Speech, is moved and seconded; which being read—

ORDERED, That the same be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 25th February, 1853.

PRESENT:

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Saunders,
Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Brown,*

*Mr. Botsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Gilbert.*

PRAYERS.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House went into consideration of the Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech.

The said Address being read, was adopted by the House, and is as follows:—

To His Excellency Sir Edmund Walker Head, Baronet, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF HER MAJESTY'S LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN
GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENED.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

In conveying to Your Excellency our acknowledgments for your Speech at the opening of the present Session, we reiterate the expression of our opinion, that the greatest benefit will be secured to the various interests of the Province by the construction of the Public Works referred to by Your Excellency. Entertaining this sentiment, it is a subject of congratulation to us to learn that the legislation of last Session, relating to Railways, has received the sanction of Her Majesty.

In connexion with this subject, we feel the importance of adopting some measure for the encouragement and regulation of the immigration which such works will necessarily attract.

Any measure which may be submitted to us, calculated to introduce a more rigid supervision of the Roads, and stricter economy in the management of the large sums annually appropriated for their opening and repair, will receive the mature consideration which the subject demands.

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