

Address.

ces between the Council and the House of Assembly which last year unfortunately prevented the passing of any appropriation act."

We feel satisfied that her Majesty's high regard for the principles of the British constitution, in the vindication of which her Majesty's ancestors were placed on the throne of these realms, will not lead her Majesty in her character of a Royal mediatrix, to wish that any attempt should be made to interfere with the undoubted privileges of the Representative branch of the Legislature.

The many and important subjects to which your Excellency has been pleased to call our attention, whether for the emendation of acts already in operation, or to the propriety of, now for the first time, applying the powers of the Legislature to the correction of evils, or the supplying of deficiencies, shall meet from us that ready and minute attention which their great importance demand.

We can fully appreciate the difficulties that your Excellency must have encountered in the administration of the Government, "in consequence of the peculiar and painful incident attendant on the prorogation," and feel persuaded that your Excellency met them in a way entirely consistent with the pressure of the emergency and the "respect due to the Legislature and the undoubted privileges of the House."

We shall promptly enable your Excellency to pay up the salaries and to discharge the various outstanding claims on the Government.

We thank your Excellency for the assurance that "on the topics to which you have adverted, or on others which may be discussed either in the Council or the House of Assembly you will be happy to afford such information as you possess, and to facilitate our operations to the utmost of your power."

And in conclusion we beg to assure your Excellency that we shall sedulously apply ourselves to the consideration of the many and important subjects to be brought before us relating as they do to the state of this colony, and to the amelioration of the condition of its increasing population.

On motion of Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Solicitor General,

Adopted.

Resolved,—That the said address be adopted and presented to his Excellency by Mr. Speaker and the whole House.

Committee to present it.

Resolved,—That a committee be appointed to wait upon his Excellency to ascertain when his Excellency will be pleased receive the House to present their address.

Ordered—That Mr. Kent and the Solicitor General be a committee for that purpose.

Petition of W. Kelson and others presented & read.

Mr. Moore presented a Petition from William Kelson, Patrick Murphy, George J. Field, and others, Owners, Masters, Sealers, Servants, and Shoremen, in Trinity and its vicinity, and the same was received and read, praying that a Society formed at Trinity under the title of the "Trinity Club," having for its object the relief of all persons connected with the fisheries in and near Trinity, may be protected by the adoption of the Imperial Act 4th and 5th, Wm. 4th, cap. 40—also that the Act 6th, Wm. 4th, cap. 1, may be repealed as far as relates to the District of Trinity Bay.

To lie on the table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie on the table.