Mr. Speaker informed the House that he was commanded by His Ex- Time appointed by the Gov. cellency to state that His Excellency would receive the House, with the Thanks. Address of Thanks in reply to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the clock.

## Wednesday, 11th February, 1857.

It being the hour appointed by His Excellency the Governor to receive House present Address of Mr. Speaker and the House with the Address of Thanks in reply to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, Mr. Speaker and the House went up to Government House; and being returned,

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had presented the Address of Thanks, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply thereto:-

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly.

Governor's reply thereto.

I am gratified by the assurance your Address conveys, that the views expressed to the Legislature at the opening of the Session, upon various questions of great interest in respect to our domestic condition and policy, meet with such cordial and complete concurrence on your part. I have availed myself of a casual opportunity for the United Kingdom to forward to Her Majesty's Government your resolution declaring your unanimous and unalterable determination not to assent to the Fisheries Convention. between Great Britain and France, bearing date the 14th ulto., having understood that in adopting that course I should meet the wish of your honorable House.

In adverting to this grave and important question, which I do on the present occasion solely in deference to the notice taken of it in your Address, I cannot abandon the hope that it may yet be found susceptible of