

safest and most effective that could have been adopted under the unfortunate circumstances of the case. We shall be glad to have the papers on these subjects laid before us.

6. Any measure for applying the money arising from the sale of the old Barracks towards the expenditure incurred in building the new Barracks at present occupied by Her Majesty's troops, shall receive our best attention.

7. We are gratified to learn that you have recently concluded the purchase of another Estate from one of the Proprietors, and that it is your intention to continue to buy out the rights of the Landowners whenever you are enabled to do so, on reasonable terms.

8. We thank your Excellency for having directed the Public Accounts for the past year and the Estimates for the present, to be laid before us. We are pleased to be informed that the Revenue of the past year exceeds in amount that of any previous one; but we regret that the extraordinary outlay which was caused by the measures requisite for the suppression of the disturbances occasioned by the lawless association alluded to by your Excellency, has caused the expenditure to be greater than the Revenue.

9. It is with feelings of just pride that we have observed the loyalty and spirit evinced by our fellow-subjects in the neighbouring Provinces when threatened by piratical attacks at the hands of lawless men; and we beg to assure your Excellency that should a similar emergency ever unfortunately occur in this Island, your Excellency could rely with confidence on a like spirit in its inhabitants of every creed and station; and we admit the necessity of doing all in our power towards making due preparation for such an emergency by earnestly considering the Laws by which the Militia and Volunteer Forces are at present regulated.

10. It is satisfactory to be informed that the Stock for the Model or Stock Farm, purchased in England, arrived in good condition; and we shall cheerfully vote a sufficient sum for the support of an institution so well calculated to advance the agricultural interests of the Colony.

11. We join with your Excellency in the fervent prayer that our deliberations may, under the Divine Blessing, conduce to the welfare and prosperity of this Island.

And the said Address being again read,

The Hon. G. Coles moved, seconded by the Hon. J. Hensley, to amend the same by striking out the whole of the Fifth paragraph thereof, and inserting the following in lieu of the same:

"The House of Assembly regret that Civil disturbances took place in this Colony during

the past year; but the House of Assembly respectfully submit that the alleged open and systematic defiance of the law might have been averted by a more prompt and energetic use of the Civil authority, when the disturbances first made their appearance, and thus the recourse to extraordinary measures, as referred to in Your Excellency's Speech, might have been avoided."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:—

YEAS :

Hon. G. Coles,	Mr. Sinclair,
Hon. J. Hensley,	Mr. Sutherland,
Hon. F. Kelly,	Mr. Conroy,
Hon. E. Thornton,	Mr. Howlan,—10.
Hon. E. Whelan,	
Hon. J. Warburton,	

NAYS :

Hon. J. C. Pope,	Mr. Yeo,
Hon. J. H. Gray,	Mr. Ramsay,
Hon. J. Longworth,	Mr. Montgomery,
Hon. E. Maceachen,	Mr. Haslam,
Hon. Sol. General,	Mr. Duncan,
Hon. D. Kaye,	Mr. Howat,
Hon. D. Davies,	Mr. Green,—17.
Hon. A. Laird,	
Mr. MacLennan,	
Mr. Brecken,	

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Howat moved, seconded by the Hon. A. Laird, to amend the said reported Address by striking out the whole of the Fifth paragraph thereof, and inserting the following in lieu of the same:—

"The House of Assembly regret the disturbances and troubles which occurred in this Colony in the past year. But the House at the same time are of opinion that the alleged open and systematic defiance of the law might have been set aside by a further recourse to the aid of the Civil power at the disposal of the local authorities, before calling in the aid of Her Majesty's troops.

"We are also of opinion that before any money was applied towards providing Barrack