

Administration, the general welfare of this Province, and to advance and maintain that harmony which ever ought to exist between the different branches of the Legislature.

Message from his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Gautier, the Deputy-Secretary :

Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency commands this House to attend his Excellency immediately in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, and the House went up in the Council Chamber to attend his Excellency.

And being returned :

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended his Excellency in the Council Chamber, where his Excellency was pleased to make a Speech, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, which he read to the House, and is as follows :

GENTLEMEN OF HIS MAJESTY'S COUNCIL,
AND OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY :

I HAVE deferred calling you together until this season, in order to meet the general convenience of the Members, and from a consideration, that the Laws passed at your last Sessions contemplated a recess until this time.

HAVING nothing, special, in command from His Majesty to lay before the Legislature, I have only to recommend your attention to the revival of such Laws as may be near expiring, and for making a suitable provision for the support of His Majesty's Government, and such public services as may be deemed necessary.

IN all your discussions you will naturally recollect that the Legislature being deliberative Bodies, independent of each other, it is of the utmost importance to avoid every thing which may occasion irritation between them, and to exercise, towards each other, such moderation as may tend to conciliate harmony, and manifest a determination to unite together in promoting the public welfare, without which the business of the country must be retarded, and the end and object wished for often wholly defeated. On my part you may rely on a readiness to concur in every measure which shall appear to be conducive to the interest and honour of His Majesty's Government and People.

I SHALL direct the proper Officers to lay the public Accounts before you; and whatever special business may occur in the course of the Session for your consideration, shall be communicated by particular message.

I HAVE great satisfaction in congratulating you on the reports received from every part of the Province, of its general prosperity: For the blessings of health, and of a plentiful harvest, for the increase of the fisheries, and the manifest improvement of our agricultural concerns, we have abundant reason to be thankful to the Author of all good.

On motion, *ordered*, That Mr. Morris, Mr. Robie and Mr. Campbell, be a Committee to prepare an Address in answer to his Excellency's Speech.

On motion, *ordered*, That Mr. Crane, Mr. Chipman, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Mortimer and Mr. Wollenhaupt, be a Committee of this House, for the purpose of examining the Public Accounts jointly with a Committee of His Majesty's Council; and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

On motion, *ordered*, That Mr. Monk, Mr. Pyke and Mr. Cochran, be a Committee to report what Laws are near expiring, and for preparing and bringing in a Bill for continuing the same.

Resolved, That no petition, of a private nature, be received after Thursday the twelfth day of December next.

Then the House adjourned until Monday, at Ten of the Clock.

Monday,