materially improved, and from the revival of the Public Credit I anticipate an early relief from the financial difficulties of the Province.

"When the Accounts and Estimates are laid before you, I hope it will appear to you that attention has been given to Public Retrenchment and Economy, and that it will be found practicable, without increasing the public burthens, to afford that support to public undertakings, and especially to the opening of Communications, which are so essential to the settlement of the Country.

"An important Instruction from Her Majesty's Government, on the subject of

Differential Duties in the Colonies, will be laid before you.

"Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, "Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

"The settlement of the Boundary between the British Provinces and the United States, by the Treaty of Washington, having renewed the question of the limits of New Brunswick and Canada, a correspondence has ensued with Her Majesty's Government and with the Government of Canada, which, it is hoped, will lead to an

early and satisfactory adjustment of the claims of the two Provinces.

"In the correspondence of Her Majesty's Government, which will be laid before you, in reference to the measures of the last Session, you will recognize the desire of the Queen to uphold the principles of the Constitution, and I rely with confidence on your just appreciation of the blessings, which, under Providence, it has been the means of conferring on the people, for that support which will enable me to give effect to Her Majesty's Gracious intentions for their welfare."

Which being ended,

The House of Assembly withdrew, and His Excellency was pleased to retire.

His Honor the President reported His Excellency's Speech.

ORDERED, That a Committee be appointed to draft an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in answer to His Speech at the opening of the Session.

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Street and Kinnear be appointed a Committee for that purpose.

Ordered, That the Journals of the House be printed daily, and that two hundred copies thereof be furnished.

The Honorable the President informed the House he had directed George J. Dibblee, Esquire, a Master in Chancery, to attend this House for the purpose of carrying Messages to the Assembly, in the room of the late Stephen Miller, Esquire.

Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 2d February, 1844.

PRESENT:

THE HON.

Mr. Black, Mr. Cunard.

Mr. Skore, Mr. Robinson,