

On motion, ordered, that The Rev. L. C. Jenkins be appointed Chaplain, and that he be requested to attend His Majesty's Council to-morrow at 12 o'clock, and each succeeding day during the Session, for the purpose of reading Prayers.

His Excellency the Lieut. Governor requiring the personal attendance of J. P. Collins, Esq. the Clerk of the Council, during the Session, Mr. John Ogle Nantes was appointed to act as Clerk, and having taken the Oath of Allegiance, and also the Oath of Office, took his Seat accordingly. Adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, February 4, 1831.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

The Hon. *Chief Justice Jarvis*, President;
 Honorables { *George Wright*,
 Ambrose Lane,
 T. H. Haviland,
 Charles Worrell,
 The Attorney General.

PRAYERS.

READ the proceedings of yesterday.

The Hon. *T. H. Haviland*, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in reply to his Excellency's Speech, reported, that they had prepared a draft of the same, which is as follows, viz.

"To His Excellency Colonel JOHN READY, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief in and over His Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto adjacent, Chancellor and Vice-Admiral of the same &c. &c. &c."

"The humble Address of His Majesty's Council.

"*May it please your Excellency:*

"We His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Members of His Majesty's Council, in our legislative capacity assembled, beg to thank your Excellency for your Speech at the opening of the present Session:

"The demise of our late revered Monarch King George the Fourth, of blessed memory, filled all classes of his dutiful and loyal Subjects in this distant portion of his dominions with sentiments of the deepest regret; but whilst we deplored the loss which the nation at large had sustained, we hailed with happy auspices the accession of His Most Gracious Majesty King William the Fourth, towards whom early associations have engendered, in these his transatlantic dominions, the most lively feelings of reverence and affection.

"The late abundant harvest, with which it has pleased an all-bounteous Providence to bless the land, calls forth feelings of deep gratitude to the Giver of all good for this beneficent mark of divine favour.

"The spirit for improvement, which seems every where to pervade this truly agricultural Colony, cannot fail to prove a source of great gratification to all who are interested in its prosperity, and especially to your Excellency, whose personal efforts have so mainly contributed to that praiseworthy emulation by which the farmer is at present actuated; and we trust, that at no distant period, the result will raise the Colony to that degree of independence, for which, by its situation and capabilities, it is so eminently qualified.