

The Document referred to in the first message from His Excellency was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

Copy of a Letter from Viscount Goderich, His Majesty's principal Secretary of State for the Colonies to His Excellency, bearing date the 27th July, 1832.

Ordered, that the said messages and papers do lie on the table, to be perused by the members of the House.

On motion of Mr. THOMAS,

Resolved unanimously,—That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address to His Excellency the Governor, in reply to His Excellency's Message, transmitting to the House a Copy of the Letter of Viscount Goderich, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, submitting to the consideration of the House, the propriety of amalgamating the Council and Assembly of this Island, stating that this House is not disposed to adopt the suggestion of His Majesty's Secretary of State on this subject.

Ordered, that Mr. POWER, Mr. MARTIN, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. BENNETT, and Mr. CARTER be a Committee for the above purpose.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table a Letter from Mr. Secretary CROWDY to him, enclosing an extract from the Royal Instructions to His Excellency the Governor.

On motion of Mr. THOMAS,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the

message of His Excellency the Governor, relative to the Petitions from Brigus and the Bay of Bulls.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. PACK took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and had come to a resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:—

Resolved,—That the Reports of the Committees at Brigus and the Bay of Bulls are documents of unquestionable authenticity, and that the House, being in possession of no other information in proof of the distress existing there, nor of any means of relieving it, do most seriously recommend to His Excellency the Governor to exercise that immediate benevolence towards the Petitioners from those places, which His Excellency has been induced to extend to the other parts of this Island.

The said Resolution was read throughout a first and second time; and, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Resolved,—That a Copy of the said Resolution be presented to His Excellency by the whole House.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 11 of the Clock.

THURSDAY, 10th JANUARY, 1833.

MR. POWER reported from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address to His Excellency, in pursuance of the Resolution of yesterday, that the Committee had drawn up an Address accordingly, and he afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's table, where it was read, and is as follows:—

To His Excellency Sir Thomas John Cochrane, Knight, Governor, and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

May it please your Excellency,

Your Excellency having been pleased to lay before the House of Assembly, a copy of a letter from Viscount Goderich, His Majesty's principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated the twenty-seventh day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, and the attention of the House having been called to that part of the letter which proposes to amalgamate the Council with the House of Assembly, the House beg

leave to state to your Excellency, that, having taken the matter into their most serious consideration, they are unanimously of opinion, that the measure recommended by the Right Honourable Secretary, not being in accordance with the principles of the British Constitution, is in no wise applicable to the circumstances of this Colony.

Ordered, that the said Address be engrossed.

Resolved,—That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by the whole House,

Mr. Speaker informed the House that His Excellency had communicated to him, that he should be ready to receive the House, with the Resolution of yesterday, relative to the Petitions from Brigus and the Bay of Bulls, at Twelve o'Clock this day.

The hour appointed for waiting on His Excellency the Governor being arrived, Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency, with the Resolution of the House relative to the Petitions from Brigus and the Bay of Bulls, and also with the Address of the House passed this day.