

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received, and referred to the Committee of Trade.

Mr. Crane also, by leave, presented a Petition from John Chappell, of Bay Verte in the County of Westmorland, praying the like aid towards the establishment of a Packet on the same route; which he read.

*Ordered*, That this Petition be likewise received, and referred to the Committee of Trade.

Mr. Wyer, by leave, presented a Petition from Edward Wilson and Joseph Wilson, of Saint Andrews in the County of Charlotte, praying that the amount of Duties paid by them as head money on Passengers by the Barque Champlain from Cork, be refunded; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received, and referred to the Committee of Supply.

It being the time appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to receive the House with their Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech, the House waited upon His Excellency in the Council Chamber, and presented the same, which is as follows:—

*" To His Excellency Major General Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, Baronet, G. C. B. Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.*

*" THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.*

*" MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,*

*" WE*, the Representatives of His Majesty's loyal Subjects, the People of New Brunswick, beg leave to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech at the opening of the present Session.

*" Although*, at this season of the year, it is inconvenient for many of us to attend to our Legislative duties; yet we have cheerfully obeyed the call of Your Excellency to receive the answer of His Majesty's Government to our Address respecting the surrender of the Casual and Territorial Revenues; copies of the Despatches containing which, we are assured by Your Excellency, shall be laid before us at an early period.

*" We* can readily conceive, that the arrangements proposed by those Despatches must involve questions wherein the welfare of the Province is materially concerned; and we sincerely hope with Your Excellency, that the calm consideration which we shall give to a subject so highly important, will produce results tending to the advancement and permanent benefit of this rising and happy portion of His Majesty's Dominions.

*" We* are gratified to learn from Your Excellency, that the reports from the Treasury, up to this time, shew a very satisfactory state of the Revenue; and the Accounts to the close of the year (when made up), as well as such other papers as Your Excellency may be pleased to lay before us, shall receive due attention.

*" We* rejoice to hear, that the general prosperity of the Province is steadily advancing; and we confidently trust, that any temporary evil arising from a deficiency of the crops of the last season will, in a great measure, be mitigated by the flourishing condition of other branches of domestic industry.

*" Your Excellency* may rest assured, that we shall diligently apply ourselves to all matters which you may be pleased to communicate to us during the Session.

*" CHAS. SIMONDS, Speaker."*

Being returned—

Mr. Speaker reported, that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

*" Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly;*

*" I* RECEIVE with much satisfaction this gratifying Address from the Representatives of His Majesty's loyal Subjects of New Brunswick, and I look forward with confidence to the beneficial result of your deliberations."

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