

*the Lieutenant Governor with their Address in answer to His EXCELLENCY's speech.*

And being returned Mr. *Speaker Reported*,—That the House had waited upon HIS EXCELLENCY with their said Address—and that HIS EXCELLENCY was pleased to return the following answer thereto, viz:

Report of the speaker.

“Gentlemen,

His Excellency's answer to the address.

“THE measure which I have thought it my duty to recommend, of making your grants of Salaries at least to anticipate the year for which they are provided, appears to be the only means by which you can securely guard the persons employed in the public service from such delay and disappointment, as they have now for *two years* experienced. And your declining to adopt this measure gives me the greater concern, as you herein deviate from the line of conduct at all times pursued by the British House of Commons, by which you have so often professed the laudable intention to be solely guided, and which is indeed the only model upon earth worthy to be followed by the Assembly of a British Colony.”

Upon motion—*Resolved*, that this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a committee of the whole, to take into consideration the answer of HIS EXCELLENCY *the Lieutenant Governor* to the Address of the House this day presented.

Resolve.

*Ordered*, That this House be called over on Wednesday next.

A message from HIS EXCELLENCY *the Lieutenant Governor* was delivered to the House—which was read, and is as follows, to wit:

“Province of New-Brunswick,  
“21st January, 1797.

Message from His Excellency.

“MESSAGE from HIS EXCELLENCY *the Lieutenant Governor* to the House of Assembly.

THOS. CARLETON.

“HIS EXCELLENCY informs the House in answer to their Address respecting that part of the Royal Instructions which relates to the imposing of duties on the Products or Manufactures of Great Britain or Ireland, that no bill which lays such duties can be assented to without a suspending clause

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