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Prince Edward Island.

Second Session of the Eighteenth General Assembly.

THURSDAY, April 25, 1850.

THE House having, by Proclamation, been prorogued until this day, then to meet for the dispatch of business:

And being met —

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by Henry Palmer, Esquire, Usher of the Black Rod.

Mr. Speaker;

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor commands the immediate attendance of this Honorable House, at the Bar of the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker and the House went up to attend His Excellency—and being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported, that when the House did attend His Excellency this day in the Council Chamber, His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of the Legislature, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, and which was read by the Clerk, and is as followeth:

Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council;

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

I have called you together at this time, in order that you may proceed with the dispatch of local business,

together with the consideration of those important subjects affecting the general interests of the British North American Colonies, to which your attention was directed in the last Session.

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

The Act for raising a Revenue will expire on Wednesday next. It is evident that without a Revenue Act this Island must suffer heavy loss and injury, and as it is in your power to avert these evils I hope you will do so.

Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

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

I shall take an early opportunity of communicating to you several documents relating to the Public Service, and I shall be happy to co-operate with you in all measures tending to promote the welfare of the Colony.

RESOLVED, That the seat of William Douse, Esquire, elected a member for the Third Electoral District of Queen's County, but absent from this House, be now declared vacant, in conformity with the provisions of the 77th Section of the Act, 11 Vic. cap. 21.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do acquaint His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor of the said vacancy, in order that such proceedings may be had thereupon as the Law prescribes.

Mr. Coles moved to resolve, that **Mr. J. J. Pippy** be authorised to continue the printing of the Journals of this House, during the pre-