

"I have recently received a Report from the Emigration Agent, which will be laid before you. The subject to which it relates is worthy of your consideration.

"I have appointed Commissioners to enquire into the management of certain Provincial Institutions which receive public aid. The result of their enquiries, when terminated, will be communicated to you.

"Since I last met you, considerable progress has been made in the construction of Railways. Accounts of the Provincial Expenditure incurred in these operations will be laid before you. It affords me sincere satisfaction to be able to inform you, that although the state of the Money Market during the recent crisis, impeded for a time the sale of the Provincial Debentures, the character of these Debentures remained throughout unimpaired, and the attention which they now command from British Capitalists, as a desirable and safe investment, is a gratifying proof of the confidence which is reposed in the good faith and financial integrity of New Brunswick.

"In full reliance on your zeal for the welfare of the Province, I leave you to your deliberations, and I trust that Providence will bless your endeavours to promote the public interests."

Which being ended, the House of Assembly withdrew, and His Excellency was pleased to retire.

The Honorable the President reported His Excellency's Speech.

The following Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech being moved and seconded, was adopted by the House:—

*To His Excellency The Honorable JOHN HENRY THOMAS MANNERS-SUTTON, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.*

**THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF HER MAJESTY'S LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENED.**

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Legislative Council in General Assembly, thank Your Excellency for your Speech at the opening of this Session.

In common with the loyal people of the Empire, we deeply sympathize with our fellow subjects in the East, in the sufferings they have endured, while we rejoice in the success which has attended the efforts of our gallant countrymen in their exertions to suppress the revolt.

We entertain with Your Excellency a confident hope that the Mutiny, which at the outbreak appeared to threaten the existence of British rule in India, will, under Providence, be the means of consolidating and perpetuating that authority; and we unite in the expression of thankfulness for the success which has attended Her Majesty's Arms.

It is to be hoped that the existing Commercial depression, resulting from the late severe monetary crisis, will be but temporary; and we are gratified to learn that in passing through the ordeal, the position maintained by the Province was such as to raise our Commercial character and to strengthen our credit.

We unite with Your Excellency in an expression of gratitude that, although our Trade and Commerce languished during the past year, it has pleased Divine Providence to bless the labours of the husbandman with an abundant harvest. We