receive the House with the address of congratulation to her Majesty and their Royal Highnesses Prince Albert and the Duchess of Kent—reported that they had attended to that duty, and that his Excellency was pleased to say he would receive the House with the said address this day at one o'clock.

Mr. Speaker and the House waited on his Excellency the Governor at the hour appointed, and presented the address in answer to his Excellency's speech at the opening of the Session.

And being returned, Mr. Speaker reported that the house had been in attendance upon his Excellency with the address in answer to his Excellency's speech at the opening of the Session, and that his Excellency was pleased to reply as follows-

His Excellency's reply

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

I am much gratified by the expression of your intention to take into consideration the matters which I have recommended to your notice.

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Mr. Speaker further reported that the House had also waited on his Excellency with the address to her Majesty, and their Royal Highnesses Prince Albert and the Duchess of Kent, and that his Excellency was pleased to say he should transmit them by the first opportunity to England.

Notice of bill to establish a

Mr. M'Carthy gave notice that on an early day he would move for leave to. fire company in Carbonear bring in a bill to establish a Fire Company in the town of Carbonear.

Notice for committee on state of Hospital

Mr. Nugent gave notice that to-morrow he should move for the appointment of a committee to enquire into the state of the St. John's Hospital.

Address

Mr. Nugent, pursuant to notice yesterday; presented to the House the draft of an address to his Excellency the Governor, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's table, where it was again read as follows-

> To his Excellency Henry Prescott, Esq., Companion of the most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

May it please your Excellency,—

The House of Assembly respectfully request your Excellency will be pleased to order that the following documents be laid before the House without delay, viz.-

Copies of all correspondence between the Executive and the Returning Officer, on the occasion of the late election in the district of St. John's.

A similar return of correspondence on the occasion of the late election in Conception Bay.