

during the next summer. The Commissioners have been active in the discharge of the trust confided to them, and a collection has been forwarded to Paris illustrative of our staple products and our mineral resources which, as regards the latter especially, I hope it may be the means of attracting aid in their effective utilization.

I shall lay before you Despatches from the Secretary of State, in which he recommends some amendments to be made in certain Acts passed during the last session, before they are submitted for confirmation by Her Majesty in Council ; and I have no doubt that you will give that attention to his suggestions which their importance deserves.

Several measures of public interest will be submitted for your consideration. I confidently trust in your solicitude for the interests of the people confided to your care ; and assure you of my cordial desire to co-operate with you for the public good.

The House of Assembly having withdrawn, His Excellency was pleased to retire.

A copy of His Excellency's Speech having been left with the Honorable the President, it was read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Clift,

Ordered—That a Select Committee be appointed to draft an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply thereto, and

Ordered—That Honorables Messrs. Clift, Morris, Kent and Tessier, be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Clift,

Ordered—That the Speech of His Excellency the Governor be printed.

Hon. Mr. Stabb gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the appointment of a Committee on Printing and Contingencies.

On motion made and seconded, the House adjourned until Monday next at 4 o'clock, P. M.