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OF THE

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

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NEWFOUNDLAND:

FRIDAY, January 3, 1840.

THE llouse of Assembly having been prorogued by the several proclamations of his Excellency the Governor to this day, then to meet for the despatch of business, met pursuant thereto.

Meeting of the Assembly.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Hon. Mr. Secretary Crowdy, acquainting him, for the information of the House, by command of his Excellency, that Mr. Archibald has resigned the appointment of Clerk to the House.

Letter from Colonial Secretary

On motion of Mr. Kent, seconded by Mr. Brown,

Resolved,—That the Solicitor of the House do act as Clerk, until such officer be appointed by this House.

Acting Clerk appointed

The Solicitor of the House took his seat at the Clerk's Table accordingly.

A Message from his Excellency the Governor, by Joseph Templeman Esq., Usher of the Black Rod.

Message from his Excellency the Governor

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

It is his Excellency the Governor's pleasure that you attend him immediately in the Council Chamber.

Mr. Speaker and the House attended accordingly, and being returned

House attend

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had been in attendance on his Excellency, and that his Excellency had been pleased to make a speech to both Houses, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, which he read to the House as follows:

Report