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place, honourably chose the latter. The aforesaid representation and reply, his Excellency's Answer to us accompanying the same, and various other popular explanations given by his Excellency to the public, with the public proceedings on the same, together with various other documents connected with the subject, and the adopted Report of a Select House of Assembly Committee thereon, are all appended hereto for the more tull information of your Honourable House, and the more ample communication of our wants and views. It is with p. . . disappointment and humiliation, we notice the reiterated declaration of his Excellency to conduct our affoirs without the advice of the Executive Council, according to his own will and pleasure, which his public ac is have already proved to be arbitrary and vindictive. And this view of his own sole ministerial power and authority with a nominal responsibility to Downing Street, he has sustained before the public by misstatements and misrepresentations so palpably opposed to candour and truth as to destroy all hopes of further justice from his government; all which is more fully set forth in the documents appended hereto. Since the registration of the late Council his Excellency has formed another, composed of Robert Baldwin Sullivan, Esq., and the Hon. William Allen, Augustus Baldwin, and John Elmsley; neither enjoying nor entitled to the political confidence of the people or their representatives. Upon the formation of this Conneil, although R. B. Sullivan, Esq. was sworn in and appeared to the public as Senior Councillor, upon whom, in the event of the death or absence of his Excellency, might devolve the administration of the government, yet a secret agreement was entered into, written in the Council Chamber by his Excellency himself, by which was to be defeated the apparent succession of the Senior Councillor to the
administration of the government.

This arrangement was denied by his Excellency to us in his answer to our Address on the subject; while on the other hand, the facts so derived are proved by the testimony of R. B. Sullivan, Esq. and the Hon. Captain Baldwin, both of whom are still retained by his Excellency in the Council. For other instances of his deviation from candour and truth, as well as of his utter unaconaintance with the nature of deviation from candour and truth, as well as of his utter unaequaintance with the nature of our constitution and the mode in which it should be administered, we refer to the appended documents, wherein are also detailed other grievances of an urgent and serious nature, to all of which we humbly pray the serious, sp. 'y and impartial attention of your Honourable House. Being denied the beneficial and constitutional operation of our local affairs; being threatened with the exercise of the unadvised, arbitrary government of his Excellency, virtually irresponsible, and being satisfied that nothing but an open, entire and honourable abandonment of his policy, equally unconstitutional and pernicions, will ever restore on peace, welfare and good government, we have, in justice to the people, whose civil and religious interests we are solemnly bound fearlessly to vindicate, been obliged, as a last resort, to stop (most reluctantly) the supplies; and for the attainment of redress in these and other matters contained in the appended Report, we pray the aid of your Honourable House.

And, as by inclination and by duty we are led and bound to do, we shall ever pray.

Commons House of Assembly, 18 April 1836.

(signed)

Marshall S. Bidwell, Speaker.

COPY of a LETTER from Capt. A. Baldwin to Lieut.-Governor Sir F. B. Head, intended Letter from to correct an error with reference to his Evidence before the Select Committee of the Captain Baldwin House of Assembly, into which the Committee appear to have fullen in taking down to the Lieutenauthis words relative to the Executive Council.

Russell Hill, April 26th, 1836. Sir, ON looking over the Correspondent and Advocate Newspaper of the 21st April, I observed a statement of my evidence before a Committee of the House of Assembly on the late change in the Executive Conucil, as appended to the Report of that Committee, and seeing that the Committee must have misunderstood my answers in some points, and that they mare not stated correctly, I beg leave to address your Excellency on the subject, lest any misunderstanding should arise with regard to the facts as they actually happened.

To the question put to me, "At whose suggestion was the paper drawn up?" I said "I believed at Mr. Elmsley's," and not, as stated, "At Mr. Elmsley's."

I did not state that the paper was drawn up "in the Executive Council Chamber," but that "it was written in the office of the Clerk;" for we did not go to the Council Chamber till we were called ne by one to be sworn.

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(signed)

A. Baldwin.

Enclosure ., in No. 1.

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