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assembled, request your excellency to transmit the address of this House to His Majesty and the accompanying resolutions, to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, that the same may be by him presented to His Majesty.

JOHN WILLSON, Speaker.

Commons' House of Assembly, 12th February, 1828.

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HIS EXCELLENCY'S REPLY.

*Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:*

I will transmit your resolutions and address to His Majesty's Secretary of State, and not the less readily from the representations they contain respecting my conduct in the matter to which they refer.

The unusual language which appears in them I regret on public grounds, but it can scarcely fail to be contrasted by His Majesty with the assurances which I have so constantly received from the Legislature and from the people whose interests and happiness it has been my study to promote.

When I had occasion to advert to your proceedings, in order, as I stated, to vindicate this Government, it was a great satisfaction to me to feel that I had only to refer His Majesty's Government to the decisive evidence of your Journals, which it is a part of my prescribed duty to transmit.

I have ever had reason to repose with too much confidence in the candour and good sense of the great mass of the people, to apprehend any injurious effect from the attempt to excite a groundless suspicion that they are subject to be misrepresented by me to their Sovereign. However much therefore I may regret them on other grounds, I do not in that point of view feel much concern at the expressions in regard to this Government, which the House of Assembly have thought fit to use in their resolutions and in their address to the King.