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*A Message from His Excellency the Governor.*

At Two o'clock a Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by F. W. Rennie, Esq., the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, commanding the immediate attendance of Mr. Speaker and the House in the Council Chamber.

Message from the Governor commanding attendance of the House.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency the Governor in the Council Chamber ; and being returned,

Mr. Speaker and House attend the Governor at opening of the session.

MR. SPEAKER informed the House, that, when in attendance on His Excellency the Governor, His Excellency had been pleased to make a Speech to both Branches of the Legislature, of which, Mr. Speaker said, for the sake of accuracy, he had obtained a copy, and which he read to the House as follows :—

Mr. Speaker reports His Excellency the Governor's Speech.

*Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:*

Speech of the Governor.

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

I have summoned you to meet for the despatch of business, after a recess of unusually short duration ; not so much in consequence of any pressing necessity for resorting to your assistance and advice at this particular moment, as for the purpose of restoring the ordinary Sessions of the Legislature to their accustomed course, and thus enabling you to devote your attention to the public interests at that season of the year which is understood to be most convenient with reference to your personal occupations and pursuits.

Since we were last assembled, the progress of the war in which the resources of the United Kingdom and the spirit of its people are alike engaged, has been marked by glorious and triumphant events. It has been my gratifying duty to transmit to the foot of the Throne the loyal congratulations of Her Majesty's faithful subjects in this ancient possession of Her Crown, upon the great achievement of the campaign ; and I have not failed to convey to Her Majesty's Government my testimony to the heartiness and enthusiasm with which those sentiments were offered for Her Majesty's acceptance.