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AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRD SESSION OF THE FIFTH
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

TUESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER, 1854.

THE General Assembly, having by several Proclamations of His Excellency the Governor, hereto prefixed, been Prorogued until this day, then to meet for the despatch of business, the members thereof met in the Assembly Room.

General Assembly meets for despatch of business.

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 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. President and Gentlemen of Her Majesty's Council :—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :—

The circumstances under which the last session terminated having resulted in reference by both Branches of the Legislature to Her Majesty's Government, who have expressed their views upon the matter brought under their consideration, in Despatches from her Majesty's Secretary of State, copies of which I will cause to be laid before you, I have in compliance with the instructions conveyed to me, called you together at this

Speech of the Governor opening the session.