

to be in a more especial manner incumbent upon Her Majesty's loyal subjects in the surrounding Colonies to stand forward, not with the mere expression of their sympathies, but, if required, in active support of the Royal authority, and in aid of their loyal fellow subjects in Lower Canada, now contending against the desperate efforts of a Revolutionary faction, for the preservation, to themselves and their descendants, of the inestimable blessings of British connexion. The mode and extent of this aid your own loyalty and wisdom will best devise; for myself I will only add, that my individual services, in the furtherance of such an object, shall be afforded with all the energy of which I am capable, and in any manner in which it may be considered that they can best promote it. I cannot upon this occasion refrain from expressing my high admiration of the *unchanged* loyalty and gallantry of the Militia of our Sister Colony of Upper Canada, evinced in the prompt suppression by them, unaided by any portion of Her Majesty's Troops, of the Revolutionary outbreak which was attempted by some misguided persons in that Province.

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

The Treasurer's accounts and all other documents which may be necessary for your information, in regard to the Finance of the Province, shall be laid before you with all practicable expedition, and I rely with entire confidence upon your accustomed zeal and liberality to provide for the ordinary services, and for all the other objects of public utility which may be deemed to require the bounty of the Legislature.

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

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

Several important Despatches connected with the recent arrangements of the Provincial Revenues will be made the subject of separate Messages; in the meantime, it is my pleasing duty to declare to you, that the same sentiments of lively solicitude to promote the interests and happiness of the people of this Province which pervaded every act by which His late Majesty was known and endeared to them, will be found to influence our present most Gracious Sovereign.

Which being ended, the House of Assembly withdrew, and His Excellency was pleased to retire.

The Honorable the President reported His Excellency's Speech.

ORDERED, That a Committee be appointed to draft an Address to the Lieutenant Governor, in answer to his Speech at the opening of the Session.

ORDERED, That the Honorable the Attorney General and the Honorable Mr. Chandler be appointed a Committee for the above purpose.

*Adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock.*

MONDAY, 1st January, 1838.

PRESENT.

THE HON.

*Mr. Chief Justice Chipman, President.*

*Mr. Shore.*

*Mr. Attorney General.*

*Mr. Botsford.*

*Mr. Chandler.*

PRAYERS.