

knowledge and in the circumstances of this Country which can more deeply interest us, so we believe there is none which should receive at our hands a more careful and deliberate consideration.

It will be highly gratifying to receive from Your Excellency the Papers relating to the adjustment of the disputed Boundary with Canada, terminating as it has in so satisfactory a settlement for this Province, for the accomplishment of which we are greatly indebted to Your Excellency's unwearied exertions.

Any well digested revision and reform of the law, which shall render its construction more simple and its administration *more exact*, must be beneficial to the People; and Your Excellency may be assured we shall lend to any scheme prepared for this purpose our best aid.

We are pleased to learn that a measure is to be submitted for the better regulation of Parish Schools. The subject is exceedingly difficult, and we feel confident that any improvement which can be effected by legislation, will be hailed with the highest degree of satisfaction.

The falling off in the Revenue of the Post Office since the change of its management and reduction of the Postage, is to be regretted; but adverting to measures of the like nature in the Mother Country, and the neighbouring States, the deficiency may have been reasonably anticipated; but the pecuniary advantages will, we trust, at no distant day, be realized, while with Your Excellency we rejoice at its moral and commercial benefits, and the similar results of the successful establishment of Electric Telegraph lines in the Province.

We thank Your Excellency for the information regarding the improvement of the Navigation of the River Saint John, and we are gratified to learn the beneficial operation of the Act of last Session for the protection of the Fisheries.

The Returns of the Census, as promised by Your Excellency, will be regarded with great interest, not only as shewing the extent of the population, but as furnishing valuable information on the statistics of the Province.

Fully appreciating the blessings which Divine Providence has bestowed on us in this highly favoured portion of the British Empire, we will diligently assist in such legislation as shall, we humbly trust, promote the continued good of the people; while we have abundant reason, as Your Excellency has observed, to remember with pride and thankfulness our intimate connection with that Great Country whence the true principles of rational freedom have sprung, and have been diffused, not only throughout her Colonies, but in other parts of the world.

ORDERED, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by the whole House.

ORDERED, That the Honorable Messieurs Saunders and Hatch be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to know when this House would be received with their Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session.

ORDERED, That the Honorable Messieurs Botsford, Kinnear, and Connell, be a Committee to inquire and report upon the subject of Reporting and Publishing the Debates of the Legislature, and the Journals.

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