

amendment thereto; and the Report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the Title be *An Act to continue several Acts which are near expiring*.

RESOLVED, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to take into further consideration the Bill for raising a Revenue.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by Mr. Desbrisay.

"Council Chamber,
Monday, 29th April, 1850.

"Resolved, That a Committee be appointed, to join the Committee of the House of Assembly, to keep up a good correspondence between the two Branches of the Legislature, and to report their proceedings from time to time, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Swabey, the Hon. Mr. Hensley and the Hon. Mr. Haythorne, be a Committee for that purpose.

Ordered, That the said Resolution be communicated by Message to the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

The hour appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to receive the Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech, having arrived, Mr. Speaker and the House went up—and being returned, Mr. Speaker reported, that the House had attended upon His Excellency and presented their Address; to which His Excellency was pleased to make the following reply:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly;

I beg to thank you for your Address.

I regret to learn that you do not intend to proceed with the despatch of the general business of the Colony, nor with

the consideration of the important subjects affecting the general interests of the British North American Colonies, to which I have directed your attention.

I should fail in the performance of my duty, if I did not express my disapprobation of this premeditated neglect of your Legislative functions.

Ordered, That His Excellency's Reply to the Address of this House be referred to the Committee of the whole House on the State of the Colony.

Mr. Pope moved to resolve that the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass.

To His Excellency Sir DONALD CAMPBELL, Baronet, Lieutenant Governor, and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

The House of Assembly being desirous of meeting the circumstances of the numerous poor Settlers who, during the last four years, have received advances for the purchase of Seed Grain and Potatoes, and many of whom are now unable to discharge their obligations in Money, would respectfully request, that Your Excellency will give directions to the several Road Commissioners to receive labour on the Highways, Bridges and Wharves, during the present season, in liquidation of the obligations now in their hands, for Moneys so due to the Government—the rate per day not to exceed Four Shillings; and the Commissioners to be required to make due return to the Government, of all sums so received, and how and in what manner expended.

The House of Assembly are of opinion that this arrangement will, in the present circumstances of the Country, afford much relief to parties indebted to the Government, and be found beneficial towards the repairs of the Roads, for the present year.

And the motion being seconded and the question put thereon, the House divided—

YEAS:

Mr. Pope,	Mr. Warburton,
Mr. Coles,	Mr. Flynn,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. Fraser,
Mr. Laird,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Macdonald,	Mr. Lord,
Mr. Davies,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. Yeo,	Mr. Haviland,
Hon. Mr. Thornton,	

NAYS:

Hon. Solicitor General, Mr. Mooney.

So it was carried in the affirmative, and

Resolved, accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.