

cessary steps to prevent the spreading of the Contagion. I must recommend to you therefore, to consider of the measures that may be best calculated to remedy such inconvenience in future.

*Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,*

I shall direct the Accounts of the Provincial Revenue of the Crown and of the Civil Expenditure for the last year, to be laid before you. It will doubtless afford you considerable satisfaction to observe, that while our Fellow Subjects of the Mother Country are cheerfully supporting the charges of the War to an extent hitherto unexampled, the Commerce of the Empire still continues to encrease, and that our Public Credit has been at no period more firmly established.

*Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and*

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It was with no small pleasure I observed that demonstration of regard and zeal for His Majesty's Government, and the interests of Civilized Society which was lately manifested by the voluntary and liberal contributions within this Province; and I have no doubt but they will be favourably accepted and the motives which produced such a tribute of loyalty duly appreciated by our most Gracious Sovereign.

Among other causes of satisfaction I have to mention the very friendly intercourse which happily subsists between His Majesty's Subjects and the Citizens of the neighbouring States, and that the communications which I have received contain the strongest expressions of desire that such good understanding may long endure.

With respect to yourselves, I trust it is unnecessary to recommend a continuance of that zealous attention to the Public Welfare, which has hitherto so highly distinguished your proceedings.

On motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Lees,

RESOLVED, that a Committee of five Members be appointed, of whom three may form a *Quorum*, to prepare and report an Address of Thanks to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in answer to his Speech to both Houses this day; that the Committee do meet in one of the Committee Rooms to-morrow morning