

And the question on the original motion being then put, it passed in the affirmative, and

Report on Address adopted.

Ordered,—Accordingly.

Ordered,—That the Address be now read a third time.

Address read 3rd time.

And the Address was read a third time accordingly, as follows:—

*To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN,
Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief,
in and over the Island of Newfoundland and
its Dependencies, &c., &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We, the Representatives of Her Majesty's loyal subjects, the inhabitants of Newfoundland, in General Assembly convened, beg to thank Your Excellency for the Gracious Speech with which you have been pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature.

Address.

In common with Your Excellency, we deeply sympathise with Her Majesty the Queen in her sad affliction ; and to mark the deep feeling of the people of this Country on the lamentable event, this House, before proceeding to any other business, adopted an address of heartfelt condolence to Her Majesty on the great bereavement she has sustained. We feel that in the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, she has lost an affectionate husband ; the Royal family an endeared parent, a wise and trusty guide ; the Nation one of its brightest ornaments, a Prince, not merely in his earthly rank, but in the higher nobility of intellect and goodness.

We deem it a matter of congratulation to the country, that at the late election in Harbor Grace, the judicious arrangements of the Government and the presence of an Naval and Military force, combined with the moderation and important influence of the respectable and peace-loving citizens of all denominations in the District, maintained the public peace in a manner unknown there during three preceding elections ; and that at the late contest, freedom of election was practically and efficiently maintained.

The disturbances in Harbor Grace, before and since that event, and the melancholy death of the Policeman Dunn, who lost his life while in the honest discharge of his duty, preserving the peace, loudly call for an efficient police force, and it ought to be the interest of all to support