

this House, on the subject of the Convention, lately concluded between His Majesty and the United States of America, that the Committee had drawn up a joint Address from His Majesty's Council and this House, to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, relative thereto; and he read the Address in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:—

TO HIS EXCELLENCY LIEUTENANT-GENERAL

The Right Honorable

GEORGE, EARL OF DALHOUSIE,

BARON DALHOUSIE, of Dalhousie Castle, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependendancies, &c. &c. &c.

THE JOINT ADDRESS OF HIS MAJESTY'S COUNCIL, AND HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

May it please Your Lordship,

AT an early period of the present Session, a joint Committee of both Houses was formed for the purpose of taking into consideration the late Convention concluded with the United States of America, so far as relates to the interests of this Province, together with the general state of the Colonial Commerce.

This committee of both Houses have made a Report, with certain Documents annexed thereto, and both Houses have received such Report, and agreed on a joint Address to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, humbly begging His Royal Highness to take this Report into His favourable consideration.

His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly, herewith lay before your Lordship, their humble Address to His Royal Highness, accompanied with the Report and Documents referred to, and humbly pray Your Excellency to take the earliest opportunity to transmit this Address, Report and Documents, to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, accompanied with a request that the same may be presented to His Royal Highness on behalf of the Province.

And His Majesty's Council, and the House of Assembly, beg leave to state to Your Excellency, that they have appointed a Committee of both Houses to get this Address and Report printed, which Committee is instructed to deliver to Your Excellency printed copies of the same, which His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly humbly beg Your Excellency, on behalf of the Province, to transmit to the Governor-General, and to each of the Lieutenant-Governors of the North-American Colonies, and to move their attention to the consideration of this very important subject.

Resolved, That this House do agree to the said Address, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Resolved, That Mr. Speaker do communicate with the President of His Majesty's Council, on the time and mode of presenting the said Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

On motion of Mr. Mortimer, *resolved*, That this House will, in its next Session, provide for the payment of one hundred pounds, to be paid to the Owner or Owners of each of the first four Vessels (owned within this Province,) that may be fitted out and actually employed in the Whale Fishery for the space of four months; each Vessel to be of the burthen of one hundred tons or upwards, *provided*, that no Owner or Owners shall be entitled to receive any part of the above sum, unless he or they shall produce satisfactory proof to the Legislature at their next meeting, that the said Vessel or Vessels have been so employed.

Ordered, That the foregoing Resolution be sent to the Council for concurrence.

Mr.