

liberty to take such extension into consideration in their assessment for loss and damages arising from the opening and extending of Smyth Street to the North Market Wharf as aforesaid."

At L. expunge "IX." and insert "X."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally concurred in by the House.

ORDERED, That they be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read the third time this day.

The said Bill, as amended, was read a third time and passed.

ORDERED, That the Master in Chancery do go down to the Assembly, and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have agreed to this Bill, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

A Message was delivered from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by the Honorable Mr. Shore, a Member of Her Majesty's Executive Council.

The Honorable the President read the same.

And it was again read by the Clerk as follows:—

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Message to the Legislative Council,

18th September, 1839.

J. HARVEY, Lt GOVERNOR.

The Lieutenant Governor lays before the Legislative Council a copy of a Despatch received from the Most Noble the Marquis of Normanby, dated 27th July, 1839, acknowledging the receipt of the Reports from the Gentlemen charged with the superintendence of the Aboriginal Inhabitants of New Brunswick.

J. H.

Downing Street, 27th July, 1839.

SIR—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch of the 14th May, No. 38, enclosing Reports from the Gentlemen charged with the superintendence of the Aboriginal Inhabitants of New Brunswick, in answer to the inquiries contained in my predecessor's Despatch of the 22d August, 1838.

I have read these Reports and your Despatch with considerable interest. It gives me great satisfaction to know that the Legislature of New Brunswick are anxious to adopt any measures calculated to promote the welfare of these hapless people; and that, with that view, they have, during the last Session, granted a Salary for the Missionary recently appointed to instruct the principal Tribe. I am also gratified to learn that the improved morality and temperance introduced of late years amongst these people, has led to an increase of their numbers.

Your local knowledge, and that of the Legislature, will enable you to judge so much more correctly than myself, of the measures most conducive to the well being of the Indians, that I do not venture to give you any instructions on the subject. But I wish to commend these people to your careful superintendence, and I would beg you to consider attentively the suggestions of the Commissioners, that the Indian Reserves, or a part of them, should be sold for their benefit. A similar measure has been adopted with advantage in other Colonies; and recommended as it is by the unanimous opinion of the Commissioners, it would, I think, be productive of benefit in New Brunswick.

In regard to their settlement on the Land, and the introduction among them of the arts and habits of civilized life, no immediate or rapid progress can probably be expected. But it is an object which should be constantly kept in view, as the only means of permanently improving their condition, and