

L. H. J. Excellency our sincere Thanks for your kind Speech at the opening
 Liber No. 47 of this Session.
 May 16

Altho' we should at all Times have been willing and ready to leave our Homes to attend our Duty, and communicate our Opinion and Advice, for the common Interest of our Constituents; yet it is with the greatest Sense of Gratitude we acknowledge your good Intentions, in saving the Province the Expence, and us the Trouble, of meeting at an inconvenient Session of the Year, where absolute Necessity did not require it.

The Concern your Excellency expresses, under the Apprehension of the Want of Corn, for the Support of the poorer Sort of People, claims our Acknowledgment. The guarding against a Calamity which must attend the Scarcity of Grain, together with the several Matters relating to Indian Affairs, by your Excellency laid before us, shall in the Course of this Session be taken under our most serious Consideration; and we shall, in both Cases, do what may be consistent with Prudence and Duty, as well as the Interest and Safety of those we represent.

We agree with your Excellency, that the Goodness of Roads, and Conveyance by Water, to render Carriage easy, commodious, and cheap, must have great Influence on the Commerce of every Country; and as Nature has happily given this Province great Share of the latter, so we shall consider how the former may be further improved, consistent with the Convenience of the People.

The strong Assurances your Excellency hath given us, of your hearty Concurrence and Assistance in whatever we undertake for the Public Good, will encourage us with Chearfulness, to set about the making such Laws as will necessarily promote it, by advancing the Trade, and consequently the Riches and Prosperity of the Province.

The Advantages we receive from the Inspection Law are visible, and fully sufficient to incite us to endeavour for such proper Amendments, as will bring it to Perfection; and, under a Continuance, enable us to become a prosperous and flourishing People.

p. 110 The great Opinion we have of your Excellency's humane and benevolent Disposition, will not permit us to suppose you desire any Increase of Power, but to enable your Excellency to promote the Happiness of those under your Administration.

Which was read and assented to, and signed by Order of the House by the Honourable Speaker.

Ordered, That Col. King and Mr. Key do acquaint his Excellency, that this House hath prepared an Address to him, and desires to know when and where he will please to receive it: They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, that the Governor was pleased to signify, that he was ready to receive the Address immediately in the Conference Chamber.