

(Copy.) *Fredericton, N. B. 24th February, 1844.*

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honor to transmit to you the Reply of His Excellency the Governor General, to the Address from the Magistrates, Merchants and others, inhabitants of the City of Saint John.

(Signed)

A. READE.

W. H. Street, J. W. Peters, John V. Thurgar,  
Wm. Kirk, and George Wheeler, Esquires.

#### HIS EXCELLENCY'S REPLY

*To the Magistrates, Merchants, and other Inhabitants of the City of Saint John, in the Province of New Brunswick.*

I thank you, Gentlemen, heartily for your expression of the sentiments which your Address conveys. It is a high gratification to me to learn that my conduct in resisting an unconstitutional demand, has your approval, and that you are sensible of my determination to uphold the rights and liberties of the people not less than to maintain unimpaired the Prerogative of the Crown. It is the beauty of the British Constitution that the power of the Crown is exercised for the protection of the People, and that the People delight in supporting the Crown; so that an affectionate Sovereign and a Loyal People act together in perfect harmony. The feelings which you entertain are in unison with those happy relations, and are worthy of men who justly appreciate the privileges that they enjoy under the Free Institutions of a limited Monarchy.

The Imperial Parliament was opened on the 1st day of February by the QUEEN in person, when Her Majesty read the following SPEECH:

*"My Lords and Gentlemen,*

"It affords me great satisfaction again to meet you in Parliament, and to have the opportunity of profiting by your assistance and advice.

"I entertain a confident hope that the general peace so necessary for the happiness and prosperity of all nations will continue uninterrupted.

"My friendly relations with the King of the French, and the good understanding happily established between my Government and that of his Majesty, with the continued assurances of the peaceful and amicable dispositions of all Princes and States, confirm me in this expectation.

"I have directed that the Treaty, which I have concluded with the Emperor of China, shall be laid before you, and I rejoice to think that it will, in its results, prove highly advantageous to the trade of this country.

"Throughout the whole course of my negotiations with the Government of China, I have uniformly disclaimed the wish for any exclusive advantages.

"It has been my desire that equal favour should be shewn to the industry and commercial enterprise of all nations.

"The hostilities which took place during the past year in Scinde have led to the annexion of a considerable portion of that country to the British possessions in the East.

"In all the military operations, and especially in the battles of Meanee and Hyderabad, the constancy and valour of the troops, Native and European, and the skill and gallantry of their distinguished Commander, have been most conspicuous.

"I have directed that additional information explanatory of the transactions in Scinde, shall be forthwith communicated to you.

*"Gentlemen of the House of Commons,*

"The estimates for the ensuing year will be immediately laid before you. They have been prepared with a strict regard to economy, and at the same time with a due consideration of those exigencies of the public service which are connected with the maintenance of our Maritime strength, and the multiplied demands on the Naval and Military establishments from the various parts of a widely extended Empire.

*"My Lords and Gentlemen,*

"I congratulate you on the improved condition of several of the trades and manufactures of the country.

"I trust that the increased demand for labour has relieved in a corresponding degree many classes of my faithful subjects from suffering and privations, which at former periods I have had occasion to deplore.

"For several successive years the annual produce of the revenue fell short of the public expenditure.

"I confidently trust that in the present year the public income will be amply sufficient to defray the charges upon it.

"I feel assured that in considering all matters connected with the financial concerns of the country, you will bear in mind the evil consequences of accumulating debt during the time of peace, and that you will firmly resolve to uphold that public credit, the maintenance of which concerns equally the permanent interests and the honour and reputation of a great country.

"In the course of the present year the opportunity will occur of giving notice to the Bank of England on the subject of the revision of its Charter.

"It may be advisable that during this Session of Parliament and previously to the arrival of the period assigned for the giving of such notice, the state of the law with regard to the privileges of the Bank of England, and to other Banking establishments, should be brought under your consideration.

"At the close of the last Session of Parliament I declared to you my firm determination to maintain inviolate the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland.

"I expressed at the same time my earnest desire to co operate with Parliament in the adoption of such measures as might tend to improve the social condition of Ireland, and to develop the natural resources of that part of the United Kingdom.

"I am resolved to act in strict conformity with this declaration. I forbear from observations on events in Ireland, in respect to which proceedings are pending before the proper legal tribunal.

"My attention has been directed to the state of the law and practice with regard to the occupation of Land in Ireland.

"I have deemed it advisable to institute extensive local inquiries into a subject of so much importance, and have appointed a Commission with ample authority to conduct the requisite investigation.

"I recommend to your early consideration the enactments at present in force in Ireland concerning the Registration of voters for Members of Parliament.

"You will probably find that a revision of the Law of Registration, taken in conjunction with other causes at present in operation, would produce a material diminution of the number of county voters, and that it may be advisable, on that account, to consider the state of the law, with a view to an extension of the county franchise in Ireland.

"I commit to your deliberate consideration the various important questions of Public Policy which will necessarily come under your review, with full confidence in your loyalty and wisdom, and with an earnest prayer to Almighty God to direct and favour your efforts to promote the welfare of all classes of my people."

#### NOTICES OF INSOLVENCY.

NOTICE is hereby given, That a Declaration was filed on the sixth day of March, 1844, in the Office of the Register of the Court of Chancery, signed and attested according to the Act of the General Assembly, intituled "An Act relating to Bankruptcy in this Province," by Alexander Cushman, of the City and County of Saint John, Trader, that he is insolvent.

NOTICE is hereby given, That a Declaration was filed on the sixth day of March, 1844, in the Office of the Register of the Court of Chancery, signed and attested according to the Act of the General Assembly, intituled "An Act relating to Bankruptcy in this Province," by Thomas Raymond, of the City and County of Saint John, Merchant, that he is unable to meet his engagements.

#### CONTRACT FOR STRAW.

SEALED TENDERS, the rates to be expressed in Sterling, will be received by the Assistant Commissary General GOLDSMITH, at the Commissariat Office, in Saint John, until Monday the 18th day of March next, at 12 o'clock, noon, for supplying the Ordnance Barrack Department with such quantities of OATEN or BARLEY STRAW, as may be required at the following Stations between the 1st April, 1844, and the 31st March, 1845:—

<i>Tons of Straw.</i>	
Fredericton, not exceeding	30 Tons.
Saint John, do.	36 ..
Saint Andrews, do.	2 ..
Woodstock, do.	2 ..
Grand Falls, do.	1 1/2 ..

The Tenders to state the rate per Ton, and to be accompanied by a Letter signed by two responsible persons as sureties.

Payment will be made quarterly in Silver Money at the Army rates.  
Commissariat, New Brunswick, }  
St. John, February 29, 1844 }

#### CAUTION.

THE Public are hereby cautioned against purchasing the following Notes of Hand, drawn by the Subscriber in favour of William Burden, and payable as follows, viz:—

One for the sum of £3 15s. dated 3rd March, 1843, payable in 3 months.	
One for the sum of £3 15s. ditto, do.	6 do.
One for the sum of £3 15s. ditto, do.	9 do.
One for the sum of £3 15s. ditto, do.	12 do.

as no value has been received for the said Notes.

THOMAS BURDEN.

Queensbury, 4th March, 1844—3\*

#### NOTICE TO COMPETENT HOUSE CARPENTERS.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Store of GEORGE A. PERLEY in Fredericton, (directed to the Subscribers,) until 12 o'clock of the first day of April next, for erecting a House of WORSHIP in the Parish of Lincoln, when the most approved Tender will be accepted.—Good Security will be required for the fulfilment of the Contract.—Plans, Specifications, &c. &c., will be seen at the above Store.

GEORGE HAYWARD, }  
JOHN GLASIER, } Committee.

Lincoln, 2nd March, 1844.—[Sentinel.—4i.]

THE Subscriber hereby gives notice to those who are indebted to him by Note, Book Account, or otherwise, that he has not authorized any person whatever to receive payment for him, and that therefore the only sufficient receipt or discharge for such debts as remain due to the Subscriber, is his own receipt or discharge, personally or by letter.

DAVID M. MILLAN.

Saint John, February 10, 1844.

*All Letters must be Post-paid.*

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