

After which His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was pleased to reserve the following Bill for the consideration of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon :

His Excellency was then pleased to close the Session with the following

SPEECH

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :

The unremitting attention which you have bestowed on your legislative duties, enables me to relieve you, at an earlier period than usual from further attendance here.

After deliberate consideration of the Terms adopted by the Conference at Quebec as a basis for Confederation of the British North American Provinces, you have refused, on the part of this Colony, to sanction the proposed Scheme.

In accordance with your request, I shall forward to the Secretary of State for the Colonies your address to Her Majesty on that subject.