

"We desire to express to Your Excellency our appreciation of the able and timely efforts you have made to further the cause of Self-Government.

"It is satisfactory to know that active preparations are in progress for working our deposits of gold, of tin, and of coal, and we share in the hope that in a short time the mines will be yielding a rich result.

"The opening of the Great Southern Railway is a source of gratification to all, and must result in promoting settlement and the progress of the Colony.

"We rejoice in the prospect of a good season to the various interests of the Colony, and we trust with Your Excellency that our labors may, under Providence, promote the general welfare."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (Hon. Sir M. Fraser) moved that the Address, as read, be now adopted.

Agreed to.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (Hon. Sir M. Fraser) moved that the Address-in-reply be presented to His Excellency by Mr. Speaker and other members, on Thursday, 25th July, at a quarter past twelve o'clock.

Agreed to.

The House adjourned at twenty-five minutes past eight o'clock, p.m.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Thursday, 25th July, 1889.

Presentation of the Address-in-Reply.

THE SPEAKER took the Chair at noon.

PRAYERS.

PRESENTATION OF THE ADDRESS-
IN-REPLY.

THE SPEAKER and other members of the House proceeded to Government

House, in order to present the Address-in-reply to His Excellency the Governor.

Upon their return,

THE SPEAKER informed the House that he had presented the Address, to which His Excellency had been pleased to reply as follows: "Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Council: I beg to thank you for your cordial Address in reply to my Speech."

The House adjourned at half-past twelve o'clock, p.m.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Friday, 26th July, 1889.

Mr. J. J. Harwood engaged in doing private work—Kimberley Mail Services: Correspondence relating to—Leave of Absence to Mr. Shenton—Accident on the Eastern Railway: "Woods v. Commissioner of Railways": Commission to inquire into—Consideration of Message No. 1: Passage of Constitution Bill through the House of Commons—Adjournment.

THE SPEAKER took the Chair at seven o'clock, p.m.

PRAYERS.

MR. HARWOOD DOING PRIVATE WORK.

MR. KEANE, in accordance with notice, asked the Director of Public Works, whether the statement which had appeared in the public press, to the effect that "Mr. J. J. Harwood, of the Public Works Office, is now engaged upon preparing plans for a large bonded warehouse for a private firm or company at Fremantle," is correct; and, if such was the case, what had become of the instructions given by the Governor after a deputation of local architects had waited upon His Excellency?

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS (Hon. J. A. Wright): Mr. Harwood is engaged in preparing plans for a warehouse at Fremantle. The in-