

moves that the Bill be read a second time this day, and that the fortieth rule of this House be dispensed with for that purpose.

Which was carried, and the Bill was read the second time.

Read second time and committed.

The House was put into a Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

Mr. Detlor in the Chair.

The House resumed.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Progress reported.

The Report was received, and leave granted accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Thorburn, seconded by Mr. Shaver,

*Ordered*—That 100 copies of the Bill be printed forthwith, for the use of Members.

100 copies to be printed.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Gowan, seconded by Mr. McKay, moves that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of condoling with Her Majesty, the Queen, upon the loss the nation has sustained in the demise of His late Majesty, King William the Fourth, and of congratulating Her Majesty upon her accession to the throne of her ancestors.

House goes into committee for purpose of condoling with Her Majesty, &c.

Which was carried; and the House was put into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Ferrie in the Chair.

The House resumed.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to several Resolutions, which he was directed to submit for the adoption of the House.

Resolutions reported.

The Report was received.

The Resolutions were severally put, and carried, as follows:—

*Resolved*—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, the Queen, condoling with Her Majesty on the loss the Empire has sustained by the demise of His late Majesty, King William the Fourth, of blessed memory.

1st Resolution.

*Resolved*—That this House, representing, as it does, the free voice of the people of Upper Canada, mourns over the heavy affliction with which it has pleased an all-wise Providence to visit the glorious Empire, of which the people of this Colony are proud to form a part, by the removal, from this transitory life, of a Sovereign, the recollection of whose private and public benevolence and magnanimity will remain, for ages yet to come, embalmed in the grateful recollection of his Canadian subjects.

2nd Resolution.

*Resolved*—That, while this House condoles with Her Majesty and sympathises with all classes of her faithful people on the melancholy bereavement with which the Empire has been afflicted, it is nevertheless consoled in its sorrows, by having the British sceptre descend to a young and amiable sovereign, whose virtues and education afford the fullest assurance to her people that Her Majesty's reign will be characterised by a firm adherence to those principles of religious and civil liberty which called her illustrious family to the Throne, and which for ages have distinguished the sovereigns of Great Britain.

3rd Resolution.

*Resolved*—That by no class of Her Majesty's subjects, has Her Majesty's Accession to the Throne of her ancestors been hailed with more joy and satisfaction than by the people of Upper Canada, and Her Majesty may rest assured that this House, as their peculiar and constitutional representative and organ, will not fail to impress upon them a steady adherence to those religious and loyal principles which, in every hour of adversity or emergency, have never failed to distinguish Her Majesty's faithful Canadian Subjects.

4th Resolution.

On motion of Mr. Gowan, seconded by Captain Dunlop,

*Ordered*—That Messieurs Richardson and Lewis, be a Committee to draft and report an Address, founded on the foregoing Resolutions.

Committee to draft address.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Gowan, seconded by Mr. Richardson, moves for leave to introduce a Bill to consolidate and amend the Militia Laws of this Province.

Militia bill brought in.

Which was granted, and the Bill was read the first time.

Bill read first time.

*Ordered*—That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Second reading to-morrow.