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with the said Return, that, at the close of the said Election, Jacob DeWitt, Esquire, one of the Candidates, had a majority of votes.

2. Resolved, That the said Jacob DeWitt, Esquire, ought to have been returned at the said Election as Knight Representative to serve for the County of Beauharnois, in this present Parliament.

- 3. Resolved, That the said Jacob DeWitt has a right to take his Seat in this House as Representative for the said County of Beauharnois; saving however to all Candidates and Electors their right of contesting the said Election if they think proper, in such manner as may by law and justice appertain, and according to the usages of Parliament.
- 4. Resolved, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do attend this House forthwith, and amend the Return of the said County of Beauharnois, by stating, that, at the said Election, the said Jacob De Witt, Esquire, was duly elected to represent the said County of Beauharnois.
- 5. Resolved, That the Poll Books for the Township of Dundee and the Parish of St. Anicet, in the said County of Beauharnois, at the said Election, while in progress of transmission to the Returning Officer, were forcibly taken from the possession and custody of the Deputy Returning Officers for the said Township and Parish, by certain evil disposed and lawless persons unknown.

6. Resolved, That it is just and necessary to adopt means for the discovery, apprehension, and punishment of the said offenders.

7. Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency may give such orders as in his wisdom he may think necessary in the premises.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Address and Resolutions be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery attended according to Order, and amended the Return for the County of Beauharnois.

Mr. DeWitt takes his seat.

Jacob DeWitt, Esquire, Member for the County of Beauharnois, having previously taken the oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

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The Honorable Mr. Aylwin moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Boulton, and the Question being put, That R. H. Norval, Esquire, Returning Officer at the late Election for the County of Beauharnois, be ordered to attend at the Bar of this House, at its sitting on Monday the sixth day of March instant. The House divided; and the names being called

for, they were taken down; as follow:-

Messieurs Armstrong, Aylwin, Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Boulton of Norfolk, Boutillier, Burritt, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, DeWitt, Davignon, Drummond, Duchesnay, Dumas, Flint, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Holmes, Jobin, La Fontaine, Laterrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Leslie, Macdonald of GLEN-GARY, Marquis, Merritt, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott of Bytown, Smith of Durham, Smith of Went-WORTH, Thompson, Watts, Wetenhall, and Wilson. (46.)

Messieurs Attorney General Badgley, Brooks, Solicitor General Cameron, Cayley, Christie, Crysler, Gugy, Hall, Macdonald of Kingston, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, M. Connell, Meyers, Prince, Robinson, Sherwood of Brockville, Attorney General Sherwood, Taché, and Webster.—(19.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That R. H. Norval, Esquire, Returning Officer at the late Election for the County of Beauharnois, do attend at the Bar of this House, at its sitting on Monday the sixth day of March instant.

Mr. Notman moved to resolve, seconded by Mr. Oxford Elec-Wetenhall, That in obedience to a Writ of Election tion. duly issued and returnable on the twenty-fourth day of January, in the present year, an Election was held for the County of Oxford, on the twenty-eighth day of December, 1847.

Mr. Boulton of Toronto moved, seconded by Sir Allan N. MacNab, and the Question being put, That the further consideration of the said Motion be postponed until to-morrow.

The House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down; as follow:-

YEAS.

Messieurs Attorney General Badgley, Baldwin, Boulton of Norfolk, Cayley, Christic, DelVitt, Flint, Fournier, Johnson, Macdonald of Kingston, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Price, Prince, Attorney General Sherwood, and Wetenhall.—(16)

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Messieurs Armstrong, Aylwin, Beaubien, Boutillier, Burritt, Cauchon, Chabot, Chauveau, Davignon, Drummond, Duchesnay, Fortier, Fourquin, Gugy, Guillet, Hall, Holmes, Jobin, LaFontaine, Laterrière, Laurin, Lemieux, Leslie, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Marquis, M'Farland, Mongenais, Morrison, Nelson, Notman, Popineau, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott of Bytown, Smith of Durham, Taché, and Thompson.

So it passed in the Negative. Mr. Boulton of Toronto moved, seconded by Mr. Sherwood of Brockville, and the Question being put, That the further consideration of the main Motion be postponed until to-morrow.

The House divided:-

Yeas, 13. Nays, 34.

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Boulton of Toronto moved, seconded by Mr. Sherwood of Brockville, and the Question being put, That the House do now adjourn.

The House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down; as follow:-

YEAS

Messieurs Boulton of Toronto, Christie, Sir Allan N. MacNab, Malloch, Sherwood of Brockville, Attorney General Sherwood.—(6.)

NAYS.

Messieurs Armstrong, Aylwin, Attorney General Badgley, Baldwin, Beaubien, Bell, Boutillier, Burritt, Cauchon, Cayley, Chabot, Chauveau, De Witt, Davig-non, Drummond, Fortier, Fournier, Fourquin, Guillet, Hall, Holmes, Jobin, La Fontaine, Laurin, Lemieux, Leslie, Macdonald of GLENGARY, Macdonald of KING-STON, Marquis, M'Farland, Mongenais, Nelson, Notman, Papineau, Price, Richards, Sauvageau, Scott of BYTOWN, Smith of DURHAM, Taché, Thompson, and Wetenhall.—(42.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Boulton of Toronto then moved, in amendment to the main Motion, seconded by Mr. Malloch, and the Question being put. That the only proper mode of determining upon a Contested Election or Return