

thus reversing the decision of the two Houses of Parliament upon an address of only one, in opposition to the unanimous Address of the other."

Which being also objected to,

After a short debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Tenth and remaining Paragraphs of the said Resolution being then again severally read,

It was moved to adopt the same—

Whereupon the question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved unanimously in the affirmative.

Committee appointed to draft the Address.

*Ordered*, that the Honorable Messrs. *de Blaquièrre*, *Fergusson*, *Moore*, and *J. Morris* be appointed a Committee to draft an Address, founded on the foregoing Resolution.

An Address to His Excellency reported.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre*, from the said Committee reported an Address prepared by them as follows:—

To His Excellency the Right Honorable *James*, Earl of *Elgin* and *Kincardine*, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick* and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Legislative Council of Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly approach your Excellency with our respectful thanks for Your Excellency's gracious speech from the Throne at the commencement of the present Session of Parliament.

We assure Your Excellency that this House sincerely unites with Your Excellency in deep regret for the death of the Queen Dowager, a Princess whose many virtues endeared Her to all classes of Her Majesty's subjects.

We regret that the occurrences of the past year and the necessity which had arisen for providing suitable accommodation for Parliament while in Session, made it incumbent upon Your Excellency to consider how the Royal Prerogative in respect of the places of assembling Parliament in future could be best exercised with a view to the public interest. But we earnestly trust that the decision at which Your Excellency after full deliberation arrived, will be attended with all the advantages anticipated from the measure.

We confidently hope with Your Excellency that the important changes recently made in the Imperial Navigation Laws, and the improvements effected in the Provincial Canals, will tend to promote materially the commercial interests of the Province, and to attract to the route of the *St. Lawrence* a considerable portion of the Emigration from Europe to this continent.

We learn with pleasure that recent advices from *England* indicate a marked improvement in the value of Canadian Securities in the British market, and we are resolved that nothing shall be wanting on the part of this House which may have a tendency to encourage that reviving confidence.

Sensible of the great importance to these Colonies of placing the Trade between the British *North American* Provinces on the most unrestricted footing, we rejoice to be informed that Your Excellency has been in communication during the recess with the Lieutenant Governors of *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick* and *Prince Edward Island*, and with the Governor of *Newfoundland*, upon this important subject; and assure Your Excellency that there will be no hesitation on the part of this House in placing such powers in the hands of Your Excellency as may enable Your Excellency to meet the advances of the Sister Colonies in a liberal spirit.

We are glad to learn that a measure for the establishment of Free Trade between Canada and the United States in certain articles, the natural products of each, and which corresponds with