

Resolution in answer to Speech.

That when this House shall receive the information respecting the Public Works which His Excellency has directed to be laid before it, that most important subject will not fail to engage its best attention: and that it will afford this House much satisfaction to find that every means at the command of the Government has been adopted to obviate the inconveniences of delay, and advance those most important objects of public interest:

That this House regrets to learn that it was found impracticable to carry into effect in *England* the arrangements proposed last year for the assistance of deserving Emigrants; but it is happy to be informed that Her Majesty's Government have obtained from the Imperial Parliament a grant of money in aid of destitute Emigrants upon their arrival in this country: and that it is in the meantime satisfactory to this House to learn from His Excellency, that though the number of Emigrants who have arrived in the Province during the present season has been much greater than during the corresponding period of last year, no serious destitution has prevailed among them: and that this House rejoices to learn that there exist such flattering prospects of their ultimate success and prosperity:

That this House is happy to learn that the condition of the Public Revenue is so satisfactory, and that the measures adopted by the Provincial Parliament during the last Session, to provide by means of increased taxes upon imports, for meeting the charge about to be created for the completion and extension of the Public Works and other exigencies of the Province, have been eminently successful:

That this House will give its most respectful attention to the Tariff of the Imperial Parliament, for the British Possessions in *North America*: which has, it feels assured, been founded, as regards this Province, in a most generous spirit; and that this House will also apply itself to the consideration of the Revenue Laws of this Province, to which His Excellency has directed its attention, with a view to render the latter as harmonious with the enactments of the Imperial Parliament, as may be found practicable:

That to this House it affords the highest gratification to learn that Her Majesty's Government have evinced a most liberal disposition in the consideration of the duties on agricultural produce, in connection with the trade of the Province; and it rejoices that His Excellency is led to hope that an arrangement may be made to extend the market for Canadian produce, in a manner alike advantageous to this Province and the Mother Country:

That the accounts of the Revenue and Expenditure of the last year, together with the Estimates for the ensuing year, will not fail, when laid before this House, to receive its most attentive consideration:

That this House learns with satisfaction that His Excellency has given much attention to the operation of the great measures past during the last Session of the Provincial Parliament; and that to such modifications as may be constitutionally proposed for its consideration, this House will give its best attention; and that His Excellency may rest assured of its cheerful aid in considering the necessary amendments in the Municipal Institutions of the country:

That this House is thankful to His Excellency for the desire evinced by him for the accomplishment of the wishes of Parliament in carrying into effect the Act for the promotion of Education, and that it rejoices that an impulse

has been given to that important source of both public and private happiness and prosperity, in its higher as well as its elementary branches; and feels assured that the result cannot fail to confer the most important benefits upon the whole Province:

That to the re-organization of the Militia, this House will most readily direct its attention; and it rejoices that the present is a favourable opportunity to alleviate unnecessary pressure upon the people, and to place this arm of the public defence upon a sounder and more satisfactory footing:

That this House is deeply sensible of the great importance of the various matters to which His Excellency has been pleased to direct its attention, and feels the utmost satisfaction in the assurance, so consonant to the feelings which animate the breast of the Representative of our beloved Sovereign, that in endeavouring to perfect these measures, as well as in all its labours for the advancement of the welfare of the Province, this House may rely with confidence upon His Excellency's cordial co-operation:

To assure His Excellency that this House is most anxious that its counsels should be animated, and its proceedings directed, by that spirit of harmony which is best calculated to lead to results at once useful and permanent:

That this House rejoices in the promise of peace, upon an honourable and advantageous basis; and that from the advances made towards the establishment of tranquillity and security, it entertains the best hopes of happy results, in securing the enjoyment and consideration of free and permanent institutions, and the restoration of financial credit and commercial confidence, which will be to this House, and to all the Inhabitants of the Province, a source of lasting gratitude.

Resolved, That the said Resolution be referred to a Special Committee, to prepare and report the draught of an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency, the Governor-General, to both Houses of the Legislature, at the opening of the present Session of the Provincial Parliament, in conformity to the said Resolution.

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Viger, Mr. Forbes, the Honourable Mr. Moffatt, the Honourable Mr. Draper, and Mr. Quesnel, do compose the said Committee.

The order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to restore, for purposes relative to the Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, the ancient boundaries and limits of the City of *Montreal*, being read.

Montreal boundaries.

Ordered, That the said order of the day be postponed until Wednesday next.

Then on motion of Mr. Delisle, seconded by Mr. Dunlop,

The House adjourned.

Sabbati 17^o die Septembris, 1842.

THE following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table:—

16 Petitions brot. up.

By Mr. Black, the Petition of James Maclaren, of Quebec, Gaoler; the Petition of Frederick Mincee, of Quebec, Tipstaff of the Court of King's Bench; the Petition of J. B. Landry, of Quebec, Crier of the Court of King's Bench; and the Petition of Charles Turgeon, of Quebec, Lumber Merchant.

By Mr. Noel, the Petition of the Inhabitants of the County of Lotbiniere.

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