

after "resolved" be struck out and the following substituted:

That it is the opinion of this House that Bytown is preferable to Quebec, as regards the seat of Government.

Yeas 6—Nays 57.

The yeas were Cameron, Derbyshire, Forbes, Johnston, D. McDonald and J. S. Macdonald.

It was then moved by Sir Allan MacNab, seconded by Mr. Cartwright,

That as the buildings in Kingston do not afford sufficient accommodation to enable the members of the Council and Assembly to discharge their duties to their constituents and the Province at large, that the House recommends that measures should be adopted during the recess of the Legislature to remove this inconvenience.

Yeas 21—Nays 40.

A vote was then taken on the original resolution:—

That Kingston is not central to the majority of the population, &c. See above.

Carried 40 to 21.

On this division the members for the town of Bytown and County of Carleton voted nay.

In the subsequent session (1843) the agitation on the seat of government still continued.

On the 2nd November Attorney General Baldwin moved, seconded by Attorney General Lafontaine,

That it is the opinion of the House that it is expedient that the seat of government for this Province should be at the City of Montreal.

To that motion an amendment was moved:—

That the House representing so many and such varied and conflicting interests is persuaded that any decision it may come to on the question of establishing the seat of Government in this Province will be unsatisfactory to the great sections thereof, whose interests may be felt to be compromised thereby, and that in the opinion of this House, the whole province will more cheerfully acquiesce in the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure on the subject, unfettered by any opinion of the Legislature.

For the amendment: Yeas 29—Nays 50.