

mechanism of the Great British Empire, and as such we have an undoubted right to express an abstract opinion upon any question which effects the welfare of British subjects, but in this case the area of welfare is enlarged, it not only embraces the vital interests of the prospectors, the miners and the traders of this fair Province, but it is so far reaching in its object that it touches the hem of humanity at large. I therefore trust that, for once, we may strike off the shackles of party faction and recognizing, at least the modicum of power for good which lays before us, we may unite with one heart and one voice in supporting the principles of the resolution which I now have the honor of placing at the disposal of the House.

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The resolution carried with only three dissentients.

