

the late session, providing £100 for the Speaker and £30 each for the Members, besides travelling expenses, 15s. per day. It will be observed, that these sums are less than have been allowed for many years past; and they were thus reduced, because it was thought by a majority of the House that they were sufficient to cover the *actual expenses*, which, alone, should be provided for. This *reduction* is worthy of consideration: there is nothing lavish or extravagant in the sums; on the contrary, their *abatement* evinced a disposition in the House to retrench and economise. The Bill was *novel*, only as regards the *small* amount provided; in all other respects, it was conformable to an uninterrupted custom of thirty-four years, during which time no attempt to abolish it had ever been made by the Legislative Council. This Bill was carried up on the seventh of February, and made the order of the day in the Council for the sixteenth. It was read a second time on that day, when the following Resolution was moved and seconded:—

“Whereas His Majesty’s Government, upon the establishment in this Province of a Legislative Council, distinct and separate from the Executive Council, in the year 1833, did express an opinion that the Members of the Legislative Council should have their expenses paid in the same manner as the Members of the Assembly, and did accordingly recommend to both Houses the passing of a Law, providing for the attendance and expenses of the President and Members of the Legislative Council in the same manner as for the Speaker and Members of the House of Assembly; which *opinion* and recommendation this House thinks just and reasonable:—And *whereas* the House of Assembly hath not made provision for the attendance and expenses of the President and Members of the Legislative Council, agreeably to the said recommendation of His Majesty’s Government:

“Therefore Resolved, That the further consideration of this Bill be postponed for three months.

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