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might have resulted therefrom to his Majesty's government, had it not been for the unshaken fidelity of his Majesty's loyal canadian subjects, and their conviction of the goodness of his government, and the transient inconveniences which, from the common fate of human things, were inevitable: assuring him however, that the confidence they placed in his excellency, considerably diminished their fears of the use which might thereafter be made of this act. In reply to this, the governor briefly expressed his regret that they should have thought it expedient to revert to any proceedings which had taken place under any one of those acts, and earnestly recommended to them as the most effectual means of ensuring tranquillity to the province, and of evincing their zeal for the public good, to direct their attention solely to the present situation of affairs.

But they were too deeply concerned in the events of the last administration to leave them at rest, and at an advanced period of the session they came to the resolution :—

“That it is a justice due to the good character of his Majesty's canadian subjects in this province, that some measure should be adopted by this house, to acquaint his Majesty of the events which took place in this province under the administration of *Sir James Henry Craig*, its late governor, and the causes which gave rise to the same ; in order that his Majesty, in his paternal goodness, may take such steps as will prevent the recurrence of a similar administration, which tends to misrepresent the good and faithful people of this province, and to deprive them of the confidence and affection of his Majesty, and from feeling

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