

## CIVIL LIST.

COPIES of the ADDRESS of the House of Assembly of the Province of *Canada* to the Governor-General, respecting the CIVIL LIST, regulated by the Act for the Union of the Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*; of the MESSAGE of the Governor-General in Reply to the said Address, and dated the 16th day of October 1843, together with the Memorandum alluded to in the said Reply, and presented to the House of Assembly by the command of the Governor-general; and a Copy of the ADDRESS to Her Majesty The QUEEN, passed in the last Session of the Provincial Parliament by the House of Assembly, respecting the said Civil List.

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COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. Sir *C. T. Metcalfe*, Bart. G.C.B. to Lord *Stanley*.

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Right Hon. Sir  
*C. T. Metcalfe* to  
Lord *Stanley*,  
26 October 1843.

My Lord,

Government House, Kingston,  
26 October 1843.

I HAVE the honour to submit, for your Lordship's information, a copy of a Resolution of the House of Assembly, for the presentation of an Address on the subject of the Civil List of this Province, together with a printed copy of my reply.

I have, &c.  
(signed) *C. T. Metcalfe*.

Legislative Assembly, Thursday,  
5 October 1843.

*Resolved*, That an humble address be presented to his Excellency the Governor-general, requesting his Excellency will be graciously pleased to inform the House whether any communications have been made since the last session to Her Majesty's Government by the executive of this province, with respect to a reduction in the Civil List and other expenses of the civil government thereof, and that his Excellency will be pleased to lay before the House all such information and correspondence respecting the same, as he may deem himself at liberty to communicate.

*Ordered*, That the said address be presented to his Excellency by such members of this House as are of the honourable the Executive Council of this Province.

Attest.

(signed) *Wm. B. Lindsay*,  
Clerk of Assembly.

MESSAGE from the Governor-general to the Legislative Assembly, on the Subject of the Civil List.—Presented 16 October 1843.

*C. T. Metcalfe*.

Government House, Kingston,  
10 October 1843.

THE Governor-general informs the House of Assembly, in reply to their address regarding the Civil List, that communications have been made to Her Majesty's Government on that subject by the Governor of this province since the last session, and that a correspondence is still pending. He does not consider himself at liberty to lay before the house any portion of that correspondence. Neither is he able to make any declaration, which should have the effect of fettering the discretion of Her Majesty's Government, as to the view which may be taken of the subject, by Her Majesty's Ministers, or the Imperial Parliament, whose intervention is absolutely necessary to effect any alteration in the amount of the existing Civil List, or in the authority by which it is granted. The Governor-general, however, is not aware of any obstacle to a practical diminution of the civil expenditure, whether borne on the Civil List or otherwise, by such reasonable and judicious reductions as it may be in his competency to authorize; and, in conformity to the desire which he has always entertained in favour of all practicable economy, he has recently abstained from filling a vacancy