

British Feeling would unhesitatingly sacrifice not only his Property but his Life.

Resolved, That to apply to the High Sheriff of the District to call Meetings for the Purpose of such petitioning is a Course highly constitutional and truly British.

Resolved, That that Part of the Answer of William Botsford Jarvis, Esq., High Sheriff of this District, to the Gentlemen who presented him with a Requisition to call a distinct Meeting for such Purpose, wherein he states that "it not having been the Usage in this Province, nor so far as he could learn in other Colonies, to apply to the Sheriff to call Public Meetings, except for Purposes specified by Law, he might probably, under any Circumstances, have hesitated to comply with their Request," is particularly deserving of the most marked and unqualified Disapprobation, as upholding the Principle that morbid colonial Mal-usages is to be persisted in, in preference to wholesome British constitutional Customs.

Mr. Ketchum approved of the Petition, and with much Feeling observed, that every Man should feel the Cause of the oppressed to be his own, for if one Man after another was allowed to be sacrificed, no one could tell who might be the next Victim.

Mr. Collins then addressed the Meeting.

The Resolutions, seconded by Mr. Bergin, were put, and unanimously carried, as follows:—

Resolved, That as a lasting Token of the Affection and Esteem of the People of Upper Canada for this enlightened, independent, and just Judge, a Subscription be now opened for the Purchase of a Piece of Plate, (with suitable Inscription,) to be presented to the Honourable John Walpole Willis; and that John Galt, Esquire, Doctor Baldwin, and Marshall S. Bidwell, Esquires, be a Committee to receive Subscriptions, procure said Piece of Plate, and present the same. — Adopted.

Resolved, That from the well-known Talents, Acquirements, and private Virtues of Robert Baldwin, Esquire, he enjoys the Confidence of this Meeting; and as his Services in the House of Assembly at this particular Crisis must prove a valuable Acquisition to the Cause of Freedom and Independence, he is hereby named as a fit and proper Candidate for the County of York, at the approaching Election. — Adopted.

The Address to Mr. Justice Willis was then carried up by the People in a Body, with the Chairman at their Head. The worthy Judge and Lady Mary received the Address on the Portico of their House, and Mr. Willis, in a few pithy Words, full of manly Sentiment, thanked the Body, who then gave Four Cheers for the King, and Three Cheers for Judge Willis and Lady Mary, who seemed sensibly affected at this Mark of Public Approbation. The People then retired to Mr. Howard's Hotel.

York, 5th July 1828.

W. W. BALDWIN, Chairman.  
WILLIAM ROE, Secretary.

(From the Canadian Courant.)

A most impotent Attempt has been made in the last Gazette, by Authority, to vilify the Character of Judge Willis of Upper Canada, in which, as usual with that Paper, Rancour and Abuse float, Scum-like, uppermost. In the Articles in question, what has the Appearance of Argument is borrowed from the U. E. Loyalist; the Vituperation is purely his own. The absurd Queries proposed by the Gazette are sufficiently answered in the Explanation given by Judge Willis from the Bench; in which, however, as he tells us, the Gazette does not entirely agree with them! He is of opinion that, right or wrong, the Learned Judge should have been silent; thinking, no doubt, that—

"Where Ignorance is Bliss, 'tis Folly to be wise;"

and that it were better that he had persisted, and suffered his Brother Judges to persist, in gross and dangerous Error, than to attempt a reformation. The Gazette does not condescend to give his Reasons for disagreeing in Opinion with Judge Willis; but no doubt, if he had given them, they would have been overwhelming ones, and would have plainly shewn the Weakness of Judge Willis's