

"ganize discontent, and degrade the character of the province." Messrs. Mahlon Burwell, Alexander McMartin, P. Vankoughnett, John Cameron, Jas. Durand, J. Chrysler, Nelles, P. Howard, Hatt, Jonas Jones, Cotter, Swayze, and Z. Burnham, voted FOR THESE RESOLUTIONS.

JONAS JONES then brought in THE GAGGING BILL, which, while it remained in force, made it criminal in the people of this province to meet together and petition parliament or the king for redress of grievances in church and state, or to appoint agents or delegates. So that if the alien bill had been then set on foot, it would have been a crime in the people to have met in bodies to petition against it, and a high misdemeanour for Mr. Randal to have gone to London as their delegate. For this infamous and unjust statute voted, Messrs. James Durand, Jonas Jones, Isaac Swayze, P. Vankoughnett, Z. Burnham, P. Howard, John Cameron, Peter Robinson, Nelles, Hatt, Clench, James Cotter, and Isaac Fraser, (of Ernestown). Burwell happened not to be in the house when this last division took place.

No. 2.

JOHN MILLS JACKSON.

This gentleman when he went home from Upper Canada to England in 1809, published in London a pamphlet, faithfully portraying the scenes of misrule and corruption he had witnessed on the part of the Lieut. Governor, and on the part of the assembly; entitled "A view of the political situation of the Province of Upper Canada." Mr. Jackson has since returned to the colony, and now resides near this town. The sentiments developed in his work are honourable to himself; and the conduct of the assembly towards him very discreditable to them.

On the 10th March 1810, the assembly expressed their abhorrence and detestation of his work, and voted it "a false scandalous and malicious libel." Among those who thus voted, we perceive the names of Samuel Street, Speaker, 1810; John Willson (Speaker 1828); Allan McLean (late Speaker); Peter Howard; Thomas Frazer; Levi Lewis; and Crowell Willson.—For this sycophantic act, Mr. Gourlay, in his statistics, terms the above named members, and those who voted as they did,—THE SCUM OF CREATION!!

Mr. Gourlay, very justly infers "that the abuse of power, at that time, and the consequent discontent, were strong inducements to the attempt which the Americans made to gain possession of Canada."

Speaking of Samuel Street, of the Falls, he says, "Mr. Samuel Street was, I believe, the nephew of Samuel Street, who signs the address to Governor Gore, page 330,—that disgusting address, blasting the open, frank, and manly endeavours of Jackson to call attention from home to the state of Upper Canada in 1809, when "infatuation was in its most ruinous career." The address was signed also by two other miserable tools, namely Speakers Willson, and McLean.

No. 3.

THE SPOON BILL.

On the 25th March, 1810, the Commons of Upper Canada, and the Legislative Council, unanimously signed an address to the Prince Regent, stating how much they were "impressed with a lively sense of the FIRM, UPRIGHT, and LIBERAL administration of Francis Gore, Esq. Lieutenant Governor," and that they had "UNANIMOUSLY passed a bill to appropriate the sum of THREE THOUSAND POUNDS, (\$12000), to enable him to purchase A SERVICE OF PLATE, commemorative of" their "GRATITUDE."

In addition to this shameful waste of public money, they voted many thousand dollars to judges and others, as bonuses—thereby rendering representative government in the colony a farce and burlesque. For "THE SPOON BILL" voted Allan McLean, (Speaker 1818), John Willson, (Speaker 1828), James Durand, Jonas Jones, P. Howard, Mahlon Burwell, P. Vankoughnett, Robert Nichol, and the rest of the corrupt and politically unprincipled members of the legislature of that period; not one man among them raising his voice against these barefaced acts of public robbery.

DURAND was made register of Gore; and JOHN WILLSON, (pious John), went home and named his next child after the Governor, got his brother Hugh, who can with difficulty sign his name legibly, and himself, made magistrates; and added the inspectorship of licenses to the other rewards of his time-serving patriotism. (see No. 25.)