

year in connection with the seat of Government were the following:—

That it is the opinion of this Committee, that it is the undoubted prerogative of the Crown, and conformable to the positive enactment of the Statute of the Imperial Parliament of the United Kingdom, under which this House is constituted and assembled, that "the place or places, within any part of the Province of Canada, for holding each and every session of the Legislative Council and Assembly," should be fixed under the authority of the Crown.

That resolution was carried unanimously.

A second resolution read as follows:—

Resolved, that it is the opinion of this Committee, that the building in which the Legislative Assembly is now held, and which was erected several years ago, for a different purpose, does not afford sufficient accommodation to enable the members to discharge their duty to their constituents with due enquiry, and sufficient deliberation, and that the locality of Kingston is not central to the majority of the population, and is badly provided with accommodation for the residence of the members particularly during winter, which is the season in which they can attend to their Legislative duties, with the smallest sacrifice to their general interests.

On the question of concurrence arising Mr. Boulton moved, in amendment to the said resolution,

That it is the opinion of this House that Toronto is preferable to Kingston as a place at which to convene the Legislature of this Province.

Yeas 12—Nays 51.

It was then moved in amendment to the resolution

That as Kingston does not afford the necessary accommodation and the requisite facilities for the seat of government, this House is respectfully of opinion that the seat of Government should be removed to Quebec.

Lost on division.

On an amendment being moved that the seat of government should be removed to Montreal it was also negatived.

Mr. Johnston, member for the County of Carleton, then moved, in amendment to the said second resolution, seconded by Mr. Derbishire, member for Bytown, that all the words