

Parliament, this House is of opinion that any alteration by the Imperial Legislation of the principle of Representation in the House of Commons recognized and fixed by the 51st and 52nd Sections of the *British North America Act*, 1867, without the consent of the several Provinces that were parties to the compact, would be a violation of a fundamental principle in our constitution, and destructive of the independence and security of the Provincial Governments and Legislatures;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of the Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Tilley*,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

On motion of Mr. *Masson (Soulanges)*, seconded by Mr. *Renaud*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all communications and other documents which the Government of the Dominion may have had or received from the Executive Government or the Military authorities of the Province of *Manitoba*, respecting the conduct of the soldiers or volunteers forming part of the military expedition to the North West, and the acts of mutiny, violence, want of discipline and of obedience to the authorities or to their superior officers.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

Mr. *Currier* moved, seconded by Mr. *Walsh*, and the Question being proposed, That the Return to an Address for copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works and *George Sterling* respecting a claim for damages against the Government by the said *Sterling*, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Fortin*, *Morrison (Niagara)*, *Scatcherd* and *Webb*, and the Honorable Messieurs *Carling* and *Langevin*, and the mover, to report thereon;

Mr. Speaker said, That his attention had already been called to this Motion. He ruled "That it does not appear to be objectionable to refer a claim of this nature to a Select Committee. Should their Report recommend a payment of money, this House will refuse its concurrence, unless the recommendation from the Crown is announced by a Minister."

"The Motion is, I think, in Order."

And the Question being put; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Archambeault,</i>	<i>Dunkin,</i>	<i>Langlois,</i>	<i>Robitaille,</i>
<i>Barthe,</i>	<i>Fortin,</i>	<i>McDonald (Midlesex),</i>	<i>Ross (Champlain),</i>
<i>Beaty,</i>	<i>Gaucher,</i>	<i>Masson (Soulanges),</i>	<i>Shanly,</i>
<i>Bellerose,</i>	<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Masson (Terrebonne),</i>	<i>Simard,</i>
<i>Blanchet,</i>	<i>Gibbs,</i>	<i>McKeagney,</i>	<i>Sproat,</i>
<i>Bown,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>	<i>McMillan,</i>	<i>Tilley,</i>
<i>Burton,</i>	<i>Heath,</i>	<i>Moffatt,</i>	<i>Tourangeau,</i>
<i>Caron,</i>	<i>Hincks (Sir Francis),</i>	<i>Morris,</i>	<i>Tupper,</i>
<i>Cartier (Sir George E.),</i>	<i>Howe,</i>	<i>Morrison (Niagara),</i>	<i>Webb, and</i>
<i>Costigan,</i>	<i>Lacerte,</i>	<i>Pope,</i>	<i>Wright (Ottawa</i>
<i>Currier,</i>	<i>Langevin,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>	<i>County).—44.</i>
<i>DeLorme (Provencher)</i>			