

8. A subsequent motion was made for an address to the Governor-General praying that the address which had been the subject of the motion should be laid at the foot of the Throne.

9. In pursuance of which I have the honour to address these remarks to your Lordship.

I have, &c.

(Signed) STANLEY OF PRESTON.

The Right Hon. Lord Knutsford, G.C.M.G.,
&c. &c. &c.

Enclosure 1 in No. 1.

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the commons of Canada in Parliament assembled, desire most earnestly in our own name and on behalf of the people whom we represent, to renew the expression of our unswerving loyalty and devotion to Your Majesty's person and Government.

We have learned with feelings of entire disapproval that various public statements have been made calling in question the loyalty of the people of Canada to the political union now happily existing between this Dominion and the British Empire and representing it as the desire of the people of Canada to sever such connexion.

We desire therefore to assure Your Majesty that such statements are wholly incorrect representations of the sentiments and aspirations of the people of Canada, who are among Your Majesty's most loyal subjects, devotedly attached to the political union existing between Canada and the mother-country, and earnestly desire its continuance.

We feel assured that Your Majesty will not allow any such statements, emanating from any source whatever, to lessen Your Majesty's confidence in the loyalty of your Canadian subjects to Your Majesty's person and Government, and will accept our assurances of the contentment of Your Majesty's Canadian subjects with the political connexion between Canada and the rest of the British Empire, and of their fixed resolve to aid in maintaining the same.

We pray that the blessings of Your Majesty's reign may, for your people's sake, be long continued.

(Signed) J. ALD. OUMET,
Speaker.

House of Commons, Canada,
Wednesday, 29th January 1890.

Enclosure 2 in No. 1.

HOUSE OF COMMONS DEBATES, JANUARY 29th, 1890.

Loyalty to Her Majesty.

Mr. Mulock: On Monday last when I was about to move the resolution which I now desire to move, the First Minister requested that the motion should be allowed to stand in order that he might have a conversation with me on the subject. The motion accordingly stood, and I had the advantage of a conversation with the First Minister. I may say that the whole tenor of the conversation was simply that I might make certain verbal changes in the resolution without in the slightest degree impairing the effect of it. I mention that particularly, because I have been told that very inaccurate reports have gone abroad as to the proposed object of the First Minister in speaking to me. The whole tenor of the right hon. gentleman's conversation with me was that he highly approved of the spirit of the motion, but thought it might be possible to improve the style of it. I entirely concurred with him, and, as a result of the conversation, the motion has been slightly varied and a reprint of the altered motion placed in the hands of hon. members. I may say further that I omitted to consult an important element in the House at the time, and therefore the draft of the corrected motion went to the printer without having been submitted to the representatives of the various parties in