

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill to amend the law for the punishment of persons for enticing soldiers or sailors to desert, was read the third time and passed.

Bill respecting enticing soldiers to desert, read 3d time and passed.

Title.

Mr. Solicitor General, seconded by Mr. Malloch, moves, that the bill be entitled, "An Act to repeal an act passed in the forty fourth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled "An Act for the exemplary punishment of all and every person and persons, who shall seduce or attempt to seduce, or aid or assist, or attempt to aid or assist any soldier to desert Her Majesty's service, or who shall harbour, conceal, receive or assist any deserter from such service, and to make further provision for the punishment of such offenders.

Which was carried, and Messrs. Solicitor General and Malloch were ordered by the Speaker to carry the bill up to the Honourable the Legislative Council, and to request their concurrence thereto.

Bill sent to Leg. Council

Pursuant to order of the day, the address to Her Majesty on the subject of the contemplated Union of Upper and Lower Canada was read the third time.

Address to Her Majesty on union read 3d time.

On the question for passing the address,

On question for passing.

*In amendment*—Mr. Merritt, seconded by Mr. McDonell of Stormont, moves that the address do not now pass, but that the following be added :

Amendment moved—  
(Mr. Merritt.)

"That the Constitutional Act be so amended as to empower the Provincial Legislature, to originate duties, or reduce them from time to time as they may deem necessary, and advisable, subject however to restrictions, similar to those of the 42d section of 31st Geo. III, chap. 31, respecting certain local acts."

On which the yeas and nays were taken as follows :—

Division on amendment

#### Y E A S .

Messrs. Aikman, Chisholm of Glengarry, Cook, Dettlor, Duncombe, Manahan, McCargar, McDonell of Stormont, McKay, McMicking, Merritt, Moore, Parke, Shaver, Small, Thorburn, Woodruff—17.

Yeas—17.

#### N A Y S .

Messrs. Attorney General, Bockus, Boulton, Burritt, Burwell, Caldwell, Elliott, Gowan, Holham, Hunter, Lewis, Malloch, McCrae, McLean, Morris, Powell, Richardson, Robinson, Rutlan, Rykert, Shade, Sherwood, Solicitor General, Wickens—24.

Nays—24.

The question of amendment was decided in the negative, by a majority of seven

Amendment lost—majority 7.

*In amendment*—Mr. Sherwood seconded, by Mr. Rykert, moves that the address do not now pass but that it be re-committed for the purpose of stating the amount of qualification to be equal to that now required by the laws of this Province, and for the purpose of striking out that part of the address in reference to the land granting department and other public offices.

Another amendment moved for committing the address—(Mr. Sherwood.)

Which was carried, and the House was put into a committee of the whole on the address.

Carried—and address committed.

Mr. Small in the chair.

The House resumed.

The chairman reported that the committee had amended the address, and submitted it for the adoption of the House.

Report amended.

The report was received.

The address as amended was then read the third time.

Address, as amended, read third time.

On the question for passing the address,

On question for passing

*In Amendment*—Mr. Small, seconded by Mr. Morris, moves that the address do not now pass, but all after the word "Sovereign," in the original be expunged, and the following inserted : "We your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of Upper Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, beg leave to approach Your Majesty with the renewed assurance of our devoted attachment to Your Majesty's person and government. In the appointment by Your Majesty of a member of Your

Amendment moved—  
(Mr. Small.)