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Copy of a DESPATCH from the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine to Earl Grey.

Government House, Toronto, June 25, 1851.

MY LORD,

(Received July 14, 1851.) (Answered No. 625, July 18, 1851, p. 19.)

I have the honour to enclose herewith the copy of a protest by certain members of the Legislative Council against the address from that body to Her Majesty on the subject of the Clergy Reserves, transmitted in my Despatch to your Lordship, No. 85, of this day's date.

I have, &c.

(Signed) ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey, &c. &c. &c.

Enclosure in No. 6. Encl. in No. 6.

PROTEST against Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Clergy Reserves, 24th June 1851.

Dissentient,

- 1st, Because the address in question has been adopted as an amendment to a motion for a purpose totally different to such address, of which due notice had been given, and that no notice has been given of any intention to move the present address.
- 2dly, Because the House has refused to permit the discussion on the present address to be taken at a future day, or that the members should be specially convened to consider the same.
- 3dly, Because such decision virtually sets aside the Standing Order of this House, No. 19, which requires two days notice of any special motion, and which rule was framed to prevent the House being surprised into premature decision without due deliberation,
- 4thly, Because the address in question involves the most weighty matter which could be brought under the notice of this House, namely, an application to Her Majesty the Queen, to sanction the annulling an Act of the Imperial Parliament which provided for the maintenance of religious education for the protestants of Upper Canada and the support of the ministers of the same; as to which it is fit and becoming and highly important that every member of this House should have the opportunity of fully expressing his opinion.
- 5thly, Because Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies communicated to his Excellency the Governor-General that the British Government, upon the address of one branch of the Legislature and without any reference to this House, are prepared to require from the Imperial Parliament further legislation upon this subject, with a view to send back to Canadian legislation what a long experience has proved wholly incapable of satisfactory adjustment in this province.

(Signed) P. B. DE BLAQUIÈRE. G. S. BOULTON. JAS. GORDON.

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(No. 89.)

Copy of a DESPATCH from the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine to Earl Grey.

Government House, Toronto, July 4, 1851. (Received July 21, 1851.)

My Lord, (Answered No. 628, July 28, 1851, page 20.)

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in order that it may be laid at the foot of the Throne, the humble address to the Queen of Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of Canada in Provincial Parliament assembled, on the subject of the Clergy Reserves, together with the copy of an address to me requesting me to forward the same.

I enclose likewise for your Lordship's information, a printed copy of the votes and proceedings of the Legislative Assembly for the 23d of June and the