

PRESENT—Messieurs *Bockus, Boulton, Cartwright, Ferrie, Gowan, Kearnes, Lewis, Malloch, Manahan, McCrae, McIntosh, McLean, Murney, Morris, Norton, Parke, Richardson, Shaver, and Woodruff*—19. No quorum.

At half-past one o'clock the Speaker declared the House adjourned for want of a Quorum.

Tuesday, 2d January, 1838.

The House met.

The minutes of yesterday were read.

Mr. Boulton, seconded by Mr. Murney, moves that it be *Resolved*—That the Quorum of this House be reduced to seventeen Members instead of twenty-three, and that the fourth rule of this House be rescinded for that purpose. Motion that 17 do form a quorum.

On which the Yeas and Nays were taken, as follows:—

Division.

Y E A S.

Messieurs *Armstrong, Attorney-General, Bockus, Boulton, Cartwright, Cornwall, Dellar, Murney*—8. Yeas—8.

N A Y S.

Messieurs *Caldwell, Dunlop, Ferrie, Gowan, Kearnes, Lewis, Malloch, Manahan, Marks, McCrae, McIntosh, McKay, McLean, Morris, Norton, Parke, Richardson, Shade, Shaver, Sherwood, Solicitor-General, Woodruff*—22. Nays—22.

The question was decided in the negative by a majority of fourteen. Lost, majority 14.

On motion of Mr. Gowan, seconded by Mr. Bockus,

Ordered—That the name of Morris be added to the Committee appointed to superintend the Printing of this House during the present Session. Mr. Morris added to Printing committee.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table:— Petitions brought up.

By Mr. Bockus, the Petition of Calvin Pier and thirty-six others of the town of Picton, (Prince Edward;) and the Petition of Elisha Huff and eighty-eight others, of the second concession of Sophiasburgh, west of Green Point, (Prince Edward.) C. Pier and 36 others.
E. Huff and 88 others.

By Mr. Morris, the petition of John Farrell, of the town of Brockville; and the petition of William Fraser, of the township of Cornwall, Eastern District. John Farrell,
Wm. Fraser.

By Mr. McLean, the petition of Charles Fothergill and Charles Forbes Fothergill, Proprietors of the "Palladium" Printing Establishment, City of Toronto. C. Fothergill and
C. F. Fothergill.

And by Captain Dunlop, the petition of Joseph K. Hartwell and seven others, Magistrates of the District of Johnstown. J. K. Hartwell and
7 others.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying for information respecting the Currency Law, was read the third time and passed, and is as follows:— Address on Currency
Law read third time
and passed.

To His Excellency Sir FRANCIS BOND HEAD, Baronet, Knight Commander of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, Knight of the Prussian Military Order of Merit, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of Upper Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly request that your Excellency will be pleased to inform this House whether any despatches have been received from the Colonial Secretary in reference Address.