

*"And whereas, By the passing of said Act, the constitutional privileges guaranteed to this people by the Crown, when Responsible Government was established, have been entirely subverted and overthrown ;*

*"And whereas, The provisions of said Act of Union are unjust, unfair, and oppressive to the people of Nova Scotia, whose representatives, in consequence of their numerical inferiority in the Dominion Parliament, are utterly unable to protect their interests :*

*"Therefore resolved, That this meeting do express its absolute and unequivocal disapproval of said Act of Union as respects the Province of Nova Scotia, and its determination to obtain a Repeal of such Act by every legal and constitutional means."*

Mr. Weeks, in moving the resolution, addressed the meeting at some length.

James Casey, Esq., of Rawdon, seconded the resolution, which was passed unanimously in the affirmative by a show of hands.

David Scott, Esq., J. P., of St. Croix, then moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Constant Church, Esq., J. P., of Falmouth, and also passed unanimously in the affirmative :

*"Whereas, The experience of the past Session of the Dominion Parliament has clearly proven that Canada has determined to use her overwhelming majority in both Houses of the Legislature for her own advantage, and regardless of the interests of Nova Scotia and its inhabitants :*

*"And whereas, The Representatives from Nova Scotia, from their inferiority in point of numbers, are unable to protect the interests of this Province ;*

*"Therefore resolved, That in the opinion of this meeting, it would be unwise and impolitic for the people's representatives from Nova Scotia to resume their seats in the House of Commons of the Dominion."*

William Chambers, Esq., of Newport, then moved, and Matthew Allison, Esq., seconded the following resolution, which also passed unanimously in the affirmative :

*"Whereas, Adams G. Archibald, Jonathan McCully, Charles Tupper, and W. A. Henry, did wilfully misrepresent the feelings and wishes of the people of Nova Scotia in respect of the Confederation of this Province with Canada ; and for the purpose of subserving their individual and private ends, did compel the people of Nova Scotia into a union inimical to their interests and destructive of their independence ;*

*"Therefore resolved, That this meeting regards their conduct as deserving the highest reprobation, and themselves as traitors to their country."*

In moving this resolution, Mr. Chambers stated that the Hon. Mr. Howe had expressed a wish that the resolution should not be put, but as he felt that the people would not be satisfied unless the con-