

## MINUTES, &c.

TORONTO, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1849.

The Convention met.

The Hon. GEORGE MOFFATT, Chairman, having taken his seat, read the resolution of last session, providing for future meetings of the Convention, and also the notice of the Central Committee, by virtue of which the convention was now assembled.

Mr. J. W. GAMBLE gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move that it be resolved—

1. That the condition of this province calls loudly upon all lovers of peace and good government, speedily to adopt measures whereby the present excitement may be allayed, public tranquillity restored, and existing political differences merged in one paramount sentiment—the good of our common country. Since the burning of the parliament houses, disturbance has followed disturbance, and riot has succeeded riot in quick succession; on several occasions human blood has been shed, the law violated with impunity, while the government, by their ineffectual attempts to repress these disorders, have been brought into contempt. Exciting and irritating political questions, involving the dismemberment of this colony from the empire, are openly advocated, engendering discontent, discord, and fierce political animosities. Rancorous feelings are separating neighbour from neighbour, to the hindrance and neglect of business, the interruption of industry, the loss of confidence, and the destruction of credit. The public mind is becoming vitiated by these excesses, a spirit of insubordination to the laws is manifested, which, if allowed to prevail, threatens to burst asunder the bonds of society, and lead to the most deplorable consequences—anarchy, confusion and civil strife.

2. That in order to assuage the present excitement and discontent, to prevent collision between our fellow subjects, to promote union among all, and to determine the great political questions now

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