

neutralized by the suffrages of small Towns and Counties possessing a population of from 1400 to a few thousands ; and that this House finds itself unable to pass Bills regulating the Representation, and remedying those abuses, although Her Majesty has recently recommended to Her Imperial Parliament to abolish a property qualification for Candidates at Election in *England* and *Wales*, and although none exists in *Scotland*, while a very large number of our fellow subjects are rendered ineligible in *Canada*, because their real estate is, severally, worth less than £500 sterling :

7. That the Union Act of 1840 provides, that several Villages containing from 1,400 to over 4,000 persons each, should each send a Member to the Legislature, while other Villages more populous and wealthy are included in the Counties in which they are located: That this House is desirous more equitably to regulate their Representation, and is of opinion that the said Act of 1840 should be so amended as that not less than a majority of this House should be a Quorum ; that the equalization or increase of the Representation in this House should be regulated by the votes of majorities in the Legislature when sanctioned by the Crown ; that this House should have power to pass Bills determining the time and place of holding its Legislative Sessions, and the prorogation of any such Session, or the summoning of the Legislature for the despatch of business, or the dissolution of the Legislature, or the continuance of the Assembly ; and that no other pecuniary qualification should be required from Candidates for seats in the Assembly than such as would be provided by any Bill that might be agreed to by the Legislature of *Canada* ;

The House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :—

YEAS.			
Messieurs			
<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>		3. <i>Mackenzie,</i>
NAYS.			
Messieurs			
<i>Burnham,</i>	<i>Fortier,</i>	<i>MacNab, Sir A. N.</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Fournier,</i>	<i>Malloch,</i>	<i>Shaw,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Gamble,</i>	<i>Marchildon,</i>	<i>Short,</i>
<i>Chabot,</i>	<i>Gouin,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Sicotte,</i>
<i>Chapais,</i>	<i>Hartman,</i>	<i>McLachlin,</i>	<i>Stevenson,</i>
<i>Chauveau, Sol. Gen.</i>	<i>Hincks,</i>	<i>Merritt,</i>	<i>Stuart,</i>
<i>Christie, (Gaspé.)</i>	<i>Jobin,</i>	<i>Morin,</i>	<i>Varin,</i>
<i>Christie (Wentworth.)</i>	<i>Langton,</i>	<i>Patrick,</i>	<i>Viger,</i>
<i>Clapham,</i>	<i>LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Poulin,</i>	<i>White,</i>
<i>Crawford,</i>	<i>Laurin,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>	<i>Willson,</i>
<i>Dizon,</i>	<i>LeBlanc,</i>	<i>Ridout,</i>	<i>Wright, (W. R. York.)</i>
<i>Drummond, Atty. Gen.</i>	<i>Lenicieux,</i>	<i>Robinson,</i>	54. <i>Young.</i>
<i>Dubord,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Rolph,</i>	
<i>Egan,</i>	<i>Macdonald (Kingston.)</i>	<i>Rose,</i>	

So it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. *Dubord*, seconded by Mr. *Clapham*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying him to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the Tonnage Dues paid annually by the Shipping for the support of the Marine Hospital, since it was built ; also, a Return of the Seamen admitted into the Hospital annually since it was built ; and, also, a Return of the annual cost for maintaining the said Seamen.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.