

may be taken with regard to the affairs of the Lower Province, your Committee cannot let slip the opportunity of expressing their anxious hope, that no consideration will induce a departure from the principles contained in the Charter of 1791, and that in any remedial measures which may be adopted, the preservation of our rights as British subjects, and of our intimate connexion with the Mother Country, *as a Colony*, will never be lost sight of or endangered by weak and temporizing concession.

Committee trusts that whatever course may be adopted towards Lower Canada, the rights of this Province will not be endangered by temporising concession.

Your Committee, after this examination of these Resolutions, have arrived at the conclusion, that to pursue the course which has been followed in the Lower Province, and to espouse the principles avowed and insisted on by the House of Assembly there, would be contrary to the wishes as well as the interests of Upper Canada; would shake our system of Government to its centre, and would rapidly and inevitably tend to establish a Republican form of Government among us. Impressed with this conviction, your Committee feel it their duty to submit to your Honorable House the propriety of presenting an humble address to His Majesty, solemnly disavowing the sentiments contained in these Resolutions, and earnestly deprecating any departure from the principles of our Constitution, or the adoption of any course of policy calculated to weaken the ties which attach this Colony to the British Empire.

Impressed with the conviction that the adoption of the principles contained in the Resolutions would inevitably lead to a Republican Government recommend an address to His Majesty, solemnly disavowing any participation in the sentiments contained therein.

After this review of the Resolutions, to which your Committee have felt it their duty to devote their best attention, there remains little for them to do, but to advert to the Letter of Mr. Speaker Papineau.

Committee advert to Mr. Papineau's letter.

By the last Resolution, he was authorised to transmit copies thereof to the several Assemblies of Upper Canada, and of the other Sister Provinces, "and to express the desire of this House cordially to co-operate with the said Assemblies

The last Resolution authorises Mr. Speaker Papineau to transmit the series.