

Mr. Odham was astonished that any gentleman should accuse the honourable member of being the organ of the executive, because he moved to lessen the quorum. The motion had nothing in it that indicated it had been suggested by the executive, nor did it hinder members from attending at their posts. It would not be less the duty of members to be punctual in attending, nor could any absent themselves without violating the rules of the house. Some of the honourable members, who so warmly opposed the motion, were the least assiduous during the last session.

Mr. Boudages felt much surprised that, at the commencement of a session, in which they would have to decide on the most important questions, a motion to diminish the quorum should be brought forward. It was, he acknowledged, truly vexatious to find in so many members such an unfair neglect of the duty towards the public which they had engaged to perform, and to be exposed to so much loss of time: yet he did not consider this as a sufficient reason for reducing the quorum, for it, when last year it was fixed at 26 they had fewer questions of importance to consider, it was the more necessary it should continue at that number now.

The committee then reported progress, and the house resolved to continue the debate on the Tuesday following.

(To be continued.)

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