

"We consider the dissolution, against the advice of the Provincial Ministry, as inconsistent with the right of local responsible government, and not warranted by any existing exigency.

"We further consider that the dissolution was unnecessary on the ground of expediency, for the following reasons, viz: that nothing could thereby be gained to the Revenue which would not be more than lost to the country by the turmoil and expense of an Election and of an extra Session of the Legislature;—that the Prohibitory Law, after having a trial of a year and proving a failure, even the advocates of the law would consent to repeal, and would cease agitation for its renewal until the country should become better prepared to sustain it;—that the new Election Law, which will come into operation on the first of January next, and a three years' existence of the late House, would, next year, make a dissolution expedient for the purpose of admitting to the right of suffrage a new class of voters, under the ballot system, and thereby securing in the House of Assembly a more reliable exponent of public opinion in reference to all the great leading questions of public policy."

The House divided as follows:—

**CONTENT.**

The Hon. Mr. Robertson,  
Mr. Hill,  
Mr. Wark,  
Mr. Steeves,  
Mr. Ryan.

**NON-CONTENT.**

The Hon. The President,  
Mr. Botsford,  
Mr. Chandler,  
Mr. Hatch,  
Mr. Kinnear,  
Mr. Minchin,  
Mr. Peters,  
Mr. Hazen,  
Mr. Harrison,  
Mr. Davidson,  
Mr. Odell,  
Mr. Gordon.

And so it passed in the negative.

On the question whether the 4th Paragraph of the said Address do pass, the House divided as follows:—

**CONTENT.**

The Hon. The President,  
Mr. Botsford,  
Mr. Chandler,  
Mr. Hatch,  
Mr. Minchin,  
Mr. Peters,  
Mr. Hazen,  
Mr. Harrison,  
Mr. Davidson,  
Mr. Odell,  
Mr. Gordon.

**NON-CONTENT.**

The Hon. Mr. Robertson,  
Mr. Hill,  
Mr. Wark,  
Mr. Steeves,  
Mr. Ryan.

And so it passed in the affirmative,