

not because the House would consider it right to be done, but because it would consider it dangerous to the peace of the Dominion that it should remain undone. But suppose that legislation was altered on account of the feeling now prevailing in Nova Scotia, what guarantee was there that a few years afterwards, when there was not the same excited feeling to deal with, the House would not perpetrate the same injustice? He did not think Nova Scotia would be diverted from her course by this talk about conciliation, and he would ask if the Government had really desired to conciliate Nova Scotia, was Dr. Tupper the man they would have sent on this mission? When the Government continued week after week to perform acts of this sort, insulting to Nova Scotia, they need not be surprised if the day was not far distant when the feelings of that Province would be manifested in a way little calculated to promote the peace and harmony of the country, and which would cause the Government of the Dominion to regret that they had not been a little more cautious. He should vote for the amendment, although he must again repeat that he regretted the necessity which had compelled him to take part in the debate.

Hon. Mr. McGee gave some explanations in reply to the charge made by the last speaker, that he had acted unfairly towards the Hon. Joseph Howe in the early part of the session. He said he had given notice to Mr. Howe that he was to refer to him in the course of his speech, but that gentleman said he was going to a club dinner, but a friend would take any notes of the speech that were necessary.

Mr. Malcolm C. Cameron would not have risen to speak at that late hour, but that he intended on that occasion to separate himself from the honourable gentleman on that side of the House with whom he usually acted. He thought it an extreme and uncalled for course to urge on the Government the recall of Dr. Tupper, a man who was not only talented, but one of the most upright and able who could be sent on a mission of this kind. He was not the best man who might have been chosen, but the constitutional way is that such appointments as these are the exclusive prerogative of the Crown, and unless in a case of flagrant corruption, or a job the House of Commons would not be justified in opposing such an appointment. In his (Mr. Cameron's) opinion, no such case had been made out by the member for Centre Wellington. That member had altogether failed to

establish such a case as should induce the House to take the extraordinary step of asking that the envoy of the Government be recalled. He could not, therefore, vote for the amendment; but he hoped this matter would teach the Government the necessity of a conciliatory policy toward Nova Scotia—a course very different from that they had hitherto pursued.

Mr. Morris raised a point of order, stating that the amendment, if added to the original resolution, would not be consistent with itself. The 1st clause of the original resolution requests a copy of the address to the Imperial Parliament, and of the instructions to Dr. Tupper, and then the amendment goes on to express an opinion on the delegate sent, and finally winds up by another prayer for an address praying the recall of Dr. Tupper. Now, the resolution, as thus drawn, was altogether inconsistent with itself.

Hon. Mr. Holton was bound to say that he thought the point of order well taken. He had allowed his name to be used as the seconder of the motion of the member for Centre Wellington, as it stood some days ago; but in tacking it on to the motion before the House that honourable member had not used due caution, and hence it stood liable to the objection which had been raised.

The Speaker ruled that the motion in amendment was in order.

Hon. Mr. Cartier suggested that the member for Centre Wellington should withdraw his amendment, as in the event of its being lost it killed off the motion of the honourable member for Guysboro' too.

Hon. J. S. Macdonald also recommended that the amendment be withdrawn, and let the matter it treated come up at a future time as a substantive motion.

Hon. Mr. Galt hoped, too, that the honourable member would withdraw his amendment. He (Mr. Galt) thought he would have been glad to be associated with a man of Dr. Tupper's abilities on any other mission, yet would not wish to be his associate in a mission which would not probably tend to the advantage of the country. He did not think the mission a well timed one, though it was determined on with the best intent. But now that Dr. Tupper had gone, it would be unwise to recall him. For his (Mr. Galt's) part, he felt all along that the hearty cooperation of Nova Scotia must be secured to the Dominion, or else