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January 11,
York. Colborne to Murray (No. 1). In reference to the disallowance of the bill to allow William W. Baldwin to carry into effect the will of Quetton St. George, sends the observations of Baldwin by which it appears that his accounts as trustee had been subjected to strict examination. Baldwin represents the embarrassment that will be produced from the want of legal authority which he hopes will be obviated by the Lieut. Governor being permitted to cooperate with the other branches of the legislature for the reenactment of the bill with such additional securities as may be deemed proper. Page 1
- January 18,
York. *Enclosed.* Baldwin's explanations and other documents relating to the subject. 3 to 49
- Colborne to Murray (No. 2). The Legislature opened; sends copy of his speech. 50
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- Address by the Legislative Council. 54
- Address by the Legislative Assembly. 57
- January 20,
York. Colborne to Hay (private). Sends the address of the Assembly to show the grounds of their claim to control the duties collected under 14 George 3rd. They are similar to those in the lower province and if the control of the Crown is removed in Lower Canada the same concession must be made in Upper Canada. Does not apprehend disturbance of the peace for some years or any great excitement produced by the efforts of a licentious press, but owing to the character of the discussions in the Assembly and other disturbing elements the good feeling of the province will be gradually undermined. The publication of Maitland's correspondence has given the factions an advantage they did not expect. Doubts if the composition of the Assembly will materially change. Of the constitutional change proposed would prefer the union of all the provinces, it would get rid of the effects of universal suffrage and the bad consequence of the influence of the little demagogues. It would perhaps create a feeling of national pride which would attach the people to their institutions. 63
- January 25,
York. Colborne to Murray (No. 3). Transmits memorial from the Presbyterian ministers of Upper Canada not connected with the Church of Scotland for share in the advantages enjoyed by those authorized to receive them. 65
- Enclosed.* Memorial. 66
- January 26,
York. Colborne to Murray (No 4). Sends by request of the inhabitants of the district of Gore memorial respecting a commercial treaty with the United States. 69
- Enclosed.* Resolutions against the admission of the United States to the trade with the West Indies and against the duties of twelve and a half cents a bushel levied on the salt made at Onondago by which the people of Upper Canada are made to contribute to the expense of building the Western Canal from which they derive no benefit. 70
- February 4,
York. Colborne to Murray (No. 5). Has received instructions to discontinue the office of private secretary and to reduce several of the departments. These reductions have apparently been made without previous information. He would remark on this for his (Murray's) consideration. The office of the private secretary absurdly so called, is the one through which the whole business of the province is carried on and the duties are all of a public nature; their nature detailed. The duties of the secretary and registrar. 75
- Enclosed.* Cameron to Mudge. Gives in detail the duties of the secretary and registrar. 79
- Statement signed by Baby, Inspector general, of the expenditure for 1828 and of the estimated expenditure for 1829 and 1830. 84