

Convinced of the truth of the same, they deeply regret the tone of the Resolutions transmitted, and the spirit in which they were conceived and adopted.

Nor can they withhold their sympathy for the treatment shewn to their fellow subjects of British origin in Lower Canada—a Province won by British arms.

Situated as Upper Canada is every material change in Lower Canada must affect the Upper Province also.

When a Member of the House of Commons makes such a declaration as Mr. Roebuck is reported to have done,

Committee think it right to deny their belief of the truth of the assertion.

The high sense of national honor and friendly feelings of the American Government, would prevent their lending their aid to any traitorous conspiracy.

on the one hand, and strong in their conviction of the excellence of our Constitution as it is, on the other, your Committee perceive, with lively regret and alarm, the tone of these Resolutions, and the spirit in which these or similar measures have been latterly insisted on by the House of Assembly which adopted them; nor can they withhold an expression of deep sympathy for their fellow-subjects of British origin in the Lower Province, who seem, in some respects, to be treated, and who have been almost denounced as foreigners and intruders in a Colony which was won by the enterprise and heroic courage of British warriors. Geographically situated as Upper Canada is, and governed under the same Constitution with the Sister Province, whatever change occurs in their form of Government, or whatever remedies the Imperial Parliament may adopt for the cure of the evils now prevailing there, must, in some degree, and perhaps to an extent not now contemplated, affect us likewise. When a Member of the British House of Commons, the salaried Agent of the Assembly of Lower Canada, declared in his place, (as Mr. Roebuck is reported to have declared,) that in the neighbourhood of Lower Canada “there were 13,000,000 of Republicans, who, *as soon as the flag of Rebellion should be unfurled*, would rally round it, and trample in the dust the whole establishment,” your Committee think it right for your Honorable House promptly to declare, that, in their opinion, the few traitors in either Province, who would desire to hoist the standard of revolt, are so sensible of their weakness, that there is no fear of such an effort being made; and that should they be rash enough to attempt it in the expectation of foreign support, they would look in vain for aid from the United States, whose Government has been actuated by feelings of the most friendly and pacific character towards the British Empire, and whose high sense of national honour would always prevent their lending their aid to a traitorous conspiracy. Whatever course