

the people from their deliberations is not only at variance with the House of Lords in England and that of several of the Legislative councils in other British North American colonies, but contrary to the spirit of the British constitution, and injurious to the interests and liberties of the country. Mr. Doyle's speech on the occasion was spirited and logical beyond criticism.

Lawrence Doyle, the father of Lawrence O'Connor Doyle, was a native of Ireland and a leading merchant of Halifax in the early years of the nineteenth century. His place of business was on the water front—in the vicinity of the present N. & M. Smith's wharves on Lower Water Street. Just one hundred years ago he was an officer of the Charitable Irish Society. The records of that Society show the following for 1812:—

Hon. Charles Morris, President.

Samuel Hood D. George, Secretary of the Province, Vice-President.

James E. Butler and Lawrence Doyle, Assistant Vice-Presidents.

Robert Phealon, Secretary.

Henry Austen, Assistant-Secretary.

It may be said of Lawrence Doyle that he was a faithful member of the Roman Catholic Church, manifesting a deep interest in religious and philanthropic works. At the time of his death he owned and occupied the present residence of Wylie Smith on Pleasant Street. After his death this residence came into the possession of Sir Edward Kenny. In 1826 Lawrence Doyle was president of the Charitable Irish Society, having followed in that office the Hon. Joseph Allison, a member of the old "Council of Twelve", and a partner in business of Hon. Enos Collins.

An elder brother of Lawrence O'Connor Doyle named Morgan, died on the 20th of July, 1845. A table head-stone marks his last resting place in Holy Cross Cemetery. Lawrence