

this expedition was paid for out of his own pocket, nor was he ever paid one penny of it back.

Again, in the following winter, when General Winchester was advancing against Detroit to re-take it, Mr. Horner shouldered his musket, took his place in the ranks as a private, and so remained until duly discharged. A question very naturally arises here: where can we find any such display of *real* loyalty by any of his *lip*-loyal defamers who surrounded the Governor?

In connection with his parliamentary conduct, one little incident, we think, ought to be mentioned. Just before the passage of the "Alien Act," which caused such intense excitement throughout the province at the time, Mr. Horner called a meeting of his constituents, and addressed them as follows:—"Gentlemen, I wish to know how you desire me to vote on this bill, and I will vote just as I am instructed by you; but mind, if you say I shall support the bill, I will do so, because there is not time to elect another member before the vote is taken, *but I never will come to the county of Oxford again.* I shall give my vote as you direct, leave the House and the country, send for my family, and never return again." He was directed to oppose the bill.

The two beautiful poplar trees, so much admired, in front of the "old homestead," near the Governor's road, in the township of Burford, were brought by Mr. Horner, from Fort Erie, in 1808, in the shape of a riding-whip. On arriving at home, (Blenheim) he broke his riding-whip into three or four pieces, and stuck each piece in the ground, three of which lived. On his removal, in August, 1811, two of them were transplanted to the place they now occupy, to outlive their transplanter.

The Ninth Parliament was from the 17th January 1825, to the 7th May, 1828. At this time it was found that Oxford had increased in population, sufficiently to entitle it to two representatives, when Thos. Horner was re-elected, and Col. Chas. Ingersoll was elected for the first time. The election was held at "Martin's old Stand," Col. G. W. Whitehead returning officer.

The Tenth Parliament was from the 20th March, 1829, to the 6th March, 1830. The election of members for this county took place in July, 1828, at Henry Carroll's, West Oxford. Col. Horner, Finley Malcolm, and Col. Ingersoll were candidates, the two former of whom were elected. In consequence of the demise of George IV., this Parliament was dissolved; and the Eleventh was from the 16th March, 1831, to the 6th March, 1834. The election for this county was held at Martin's Stand, in the year 1831. Charles Ingersoll, Dr. Charles Duncombe, and Thomas Horner, were the candidates, the two former were elected; but in consequence of the death of Mr. Ingersoll (1832,) a vacancy took place, and Mr. Horner was again and for the last time elected, having died of cholera in August 1834.

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