

Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. McDonell, moves that the House do now resolve itself into a committee of the whole on the amendments made by the Honorable the Legislative Council to the bill entitled "An Act to repeal part of an Act passed in the thirty-eighth year of his late Majesty's Reign, entitled 'an Act for the better division of this Province,' and to make further provision for the division of the same into Counties and Districts." Which was carried and Doctor Baldwin took the chair of the committee. The House resumed. Dr. Baldwin reported that the committee had agreed to the amendments and recommended them to the adoption of the House. Ordered that the report be received and the amendments concurred with.

Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. McDonell, moves that Messrs. Crooks and Wilson of Prince Edward be a committee to inform the Honorable the Legislative Council that this House have concurred in the amendments. Which was ordered.

Mr. Crooks of the committee to acquaint the Honorable the Legislative Council, that this House had agreed to the amendments made by them to the bill entitled "An Act to repeal part of an Act passed in the thirty-eighth year of his late Majesty's Reign, entitled 'an Act for the better division of this Province,' and to make further provision for the division of the same into Counties and Districts," reported that they had done so.

Mr. Randal, seconded by Mr. Horner, moves that the Clerk of this House be directed to furnish him with true copies of the petition of Ebenezer Whiting and the writings relative thereto. Which was ordered.

Mr. Robinson of the committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the committee of the Honorable the Legislative Council, to present the joint addresses praying him to transmit the joint addresses to His Majesty, relating to our intercourse with Lower Canada, and also relative to the claims for losses, reported that they had delivered the same accordingly, and presented to the Speaker copies of His Excellency's replies thereto, which were read by the Speaker and are as follows:

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen:

I shall lose no time in transmitting your joint address on a subject so materially interesting to this Country to His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies in order to its being laid before His Majesty.

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen:

The sale of the confiscated estates commanded for the gracious purpose to which your joint address alludes was an earnest of His Majesty's benevolent intentions towards the sufferers by the late war; the delay which succeeded has been contrary to the wishes of your Sovereign. His Majesty's Government interested for the sufferers had recourse a second time to the Parliament of this Province for the preliminary enactment which was necessary, but had been denied in a former session, no representation therefore in addition to those already made could be necessary to induce the attention of the King to this subject, whenever an official statement of the proceeds of the confiscated property could be transmitted from this country; yet as the extreme distress of the sufferers under that pressure which we feel in common with other parts of the world is the immediate cause of your address and the official statement of the proceeds cannot be immediately procured, I shall with great pleasure comply with your wishes, and I shall have the most sincere gratification if it shall be found in the power, as I know it to be in the inclination, of my Royal Master to afford the sufferers for whom I warmly feel, a compensation justly proportioned to the losses they may have sustained.