

which is the early and equal administration of the laws.

His Majesty was very graciously pleased, in conformity with the petitions of the people, to intimate to the Bishop of Regiopolis and the Archdeacon of York, several years ago, his Royal desire that they would resign their seats in the Councils, and devote their time to their high spiritual functions as Ministers of Religion; notwithstanding which they have since continued to mix themselves up with the secular concerns of the Colony by attending in the Legislative Council as Members of that House. We trust that your Excellency, in fulfillment of the benevolent wishes of the King, will take such steps to carry into effect the royal instructions as may enable the Bishop and the Archdeacon to make their election, either of abandoning their political labors in the Legislature, or of quitting all claim to any salaries, pensions, or other emoluments they now hold or enjoy during the pleasure of the Government.

And that the 31st rule of this House be suspended in so far as it would affect this motion.

Mr. Macnab, seconded by Mr. Boulton, moves in amendment—That the question be not now put, but that this resolution be referred to a Committee of the whole House on Wednesday next; and that it be the first item on the order of the day for that day.

On which the yeas and nays were taken as follows :

*Yeas*—Messrs. Boulton, Brown, Caldwell, Dunlop, Lewis, McCrae, McDonell, *of Northumberland*, McKay, McLean, Macnab, Malloch, Richardson, Roblin, Rykert, Small, Strange, Walsh, & Wilkinson—18.

*Nays*—Messrs. Alway, Bruce, Chesser, Chisholm, Cook, Duncombe, *of Norfolk*, Durand, Gibson, Gilchrist, Hopkins, Lount, McDonell, *of Stormont*,