

4. *Resolved*, That on the 27th February, 1846, a letter was addressed to the said Commissioners by the Honorable the Secretary of this Province, by order of the Right Honorable Charles Murray, Earl Cathcart, the then Administrator of the Government of the same, stating "That the object of the Executive Government in appointing the said Commission was merely to obtain a general estimate of the Rebellion Losses, the particulars of which should form the subject of more minute inquiry thereafter, under Legislative authority."

5. *Resolved*, That in order to redeem the pledge given to the sufferers of such Losses, or their *bonâ fide* creditors, assigns or *ayant droit*, as well by the said Address of the said Legislative Assembly, and the appointment of the said Commission, as by the said letter so addressed by the Honorable the said Provincial Secretary, it is necessary and just that the particulars of such Losses not yet paid and satisfied should form the subject of more minute inquiry under Legislative authority; and that the said Losses, so far only as they may have arisen from the total or partial, unjust, unnecessary, or wanton destruction of the dwellings, buildings, property and effects of the said inhabitants, and by the seizure, taking or carrying away of their property and effects, should be paid and satisfied: Provided that none of the persons who have been convicted of High Treason alleged to have been committed in that part of this Province formerly *Lower Canada*, since the 1st day of November, 1837, or who, having been charged with High Treason, or other Offences of a Treasonable nature, and having been committed to the custody of the Sheriff in the Gaol of *Montreal*, submitted themselves to the will and pleasure of Her Majesty, and were thereupon transported to Her Majesty's Islands of *Bermuda*, shall be entitled to any indemnity for Losses sustained during or after the said Rebellion, or in consequence thereof.

6. *Resolved*, That there should be issued for such purpose, Debentures to the amount of One hundred thousand pounds currency, payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, at or within twenty years after the date thereof, respectively, and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent, payable out of the said Fund, on such day in each year as shall be therein specified.

7. *Resolved*, That the holder of any Debenture issued under the authority of the Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to provide for the payment of certain Rebellion Losses in *Lower Canada*, and to appropriate the proceeds of the Marriage Licence Fund," should be entitled on any day on which the interest on such Debenture is payable, to have the same exchanged for a Debenture for a like amount to be issued under any Act to be passed for carrying into effect the above Resolutions, and that the interest then payable on such Debenture should at the same time be paid out of the said Consolidated Revenue Fund; and that the proceeds of so much of that portion of the Marriage Licence Fund, arising in *Lower Canada*, as shall not be required to pay off the principal and interest of any unexchanged Debenture, should form part of the said Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney General *LaFontaine* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said Resolutions;

Mr. *Chauveau* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Laurin*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the said Resolutions be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, with a view of leaving out the Proviso contained in the 5th Resolution," added instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *Laurin*, *Papineau*, and *Wilson*.—(5.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Badgley*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Brooks*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Cayley*, *Chabot*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *DeWitt*, *Dickson*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchessnay*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Gugy*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *M'Farland*, *M'Lean*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Meyers*, *Mongenais*, *Morrison*, *Nelson*, *Notman*, *Polette*, *Price*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Sauvageau*, *Scott* of *BYTOWN*, *Scott* of *TWO MOUNTAINS*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Smith* of *DURHAM*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Smith* of *WENTWORTH*, *Stevenson*, *Taché*, *Thompson*, *Viger*, and *Watts*.—(67.)

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

*Ordered*, That the Question be now separately put upon each of the said Resolutions.

The 1st of the Resolutions being read a second time; and the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The Honorable Mr. *Cayley* moved in amendment to the said Resolution, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, That all the words after "That" be left out, and the words "in order to ascertain the extent of loss and injury inflicted during the years 1837 and 1838 upon the loyal inhabitants of *Lower Canada*, by violent and lawless men in arms against their Sovereign, an humble Address was unanimously adopted on the 28th day of February, 1845, by the Legislative Assembly of this Province, and by them presented to the Right Honorable Charles Theophilus Baron *Metcalf*, the then Governor General of the same, praying "that His Excellency would be pleased to cause proper measures to be adopted in order to insure to the inhabitants of that part of this Province formerly *Lower Canada*, indemnity for just Losses by them sustained during the Rebellion of 1837 and 1838," added instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the Amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—

YEAS.

Messieurs *Badgley*, *Brooks*, *Cayley*, *Christie*, *Crysler*, *Dickson*, *Gugy*, *Macdonald* of *KINGSTON*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, *Malloch*, *M'Connell*, *M'Lean*, *Meyers*, *Prince*, *Robinson*, *Seymour*, *Sherwood* of *BROCKVILLE*, *Smith* of *FRONTENAC*, *Stevenson*, and *Wilson*.—(20.)

NAYS.

Messieurs *Armstrong*, Attorney General *Baldwin*, *Beaubien*, Solicitor General *Blake*, *Boulton* of *NORFOLK*, *Boutillier*, *Burritt*, *Cameron* of *KENT*, *Cartier*, *Cauchon*, *Chabot*, *Chauveau*, *Davignon*, *DeWitt*, Solicitor General *Drummond*, *Duchessnay*, *Dumas*, *Egan*, *Fergusson*, *Flint*, *Fortier*, *Fournier*, *Fourquin*, *Guillet*, *Hall*, *Holmes*, *Johnson*, Attorney General *LaFontaine*, *LaTerrière*, *Laurin*, *Lemieux*, *Lyon*, *Macdonald* of *GLENGARY*, *M'Farland*, *Merritt*, *Méthot*, *Mongenais*,