Mr. Fraser reported the Address without amendment.

The report was received.

House divides on question for third reading.

On the question for the third reading of the Address to-day, the House divided, and the yeas and nays were taken as follows:

YEAS.—Messieurs,

Yeas 23.

Atty. General,	Elliott,	Macnab,	Thomson,
Berczy,	A. Fraser,	Magon,	Warren,
Boulton,	R. Fraser,	Mount,	Werden,
Burwell,	Ketchum,	Samson,	White,
Campbell,	Lewis,	Shade,	W. Wilson—
Duncombe,	McMartin,	Sol. General,	23.

NAYS.—Messieurs,

Nays 6.

Buell,	Howard,	Perry,	Roblin—6.
Cook,	MacKenzie,		

Third reading this day.

The question was carried in the affirmative by a majority of seventeen, and the Address was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Advertising Price Bill read.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. MacKenzie, seconded by Mr. Ketchum, moves for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the fees to be taken by Printers for publishing legal notices and advertisements required by law to be printed in any Provincial newspaper.

Which was granted and the Bill read and ordered for a second reading on Friday next.

Banking Bill read.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. MacKenzie, seconded by Mr. Ketchum, moves for leave to bring in a Bill to ascertain and declare the power, privileges and liabilities of Banking Corporations.

Which was granted, and the Bill read, and ordered for a second reading on Monday next.

Banking Bill to be printed.

Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Roblin, moves that two hundred copies of the Bill for the regulation of Banking Corporations be printed for the use of members.

Ordered.

Rules and Orders to be printed.

Mr. Atty. General, seconded by Mr. Samson, moves that two hundred copies of the standing rules and orders of the House be printed for the use of members.

Ordered.

Welland Canal Accounts to be laid before the House.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. MacKenzie, seconded by Mr. Beardsley, moves that the President and Directors of the Welland Canal Company, be required to lay before this House, the accounts, in detail, of their receipts and expenditure, agreeably to the provisions of the seventeenth clause of the ninth chapter of the tenth George IV.

Ordered.

Bill to abolish imprisonment for debt read,

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Attorney General, seconded by Mr. White, moves for leave to bring in a Bill to abolish imprisonment for debt in certain cases.

Which was granted and the Bill read, and ordered for a second reading on Saturday next.

and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Beardsley, seconded by Mr. Campbell, moves that two hundred copies of the Bill to abolish imprisonment for debt in certain cases, be printed for the use of members.

Ordered.

Absconding Debtors Bill read.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Jarvis, seconded by Mr. Lewis, moves for leave to bring in a Bill to attach the property of absconding debtors.

Which was granted and the Bill read, and ordered for a second reading on Tuesday next.

Committee to superintend the printing appointed.

Mr. Samson, seconded by Mr. White, moves that Messrs. Burwell, Ketchum and Berczy, be a Committee to superintend the printing of this House, during the present Session.

Ordered.

Motion for no debate on taking up items on the order of the day.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Attorney General, seconded by Mr. Berczy, moves that it be resolved, that whenever it shall be moved to take up any item upon the order of the day, out of its course, the question shall be put from the chair without debate.

Amendment proposed to above.

In amendment, Mr. Samson, seconded by Mr. Duncombe, moves that after the word "debate," the following be added, "and that such question shall not be carried unless by the consent of two-thirds of the members present."

House divides on amendment.

On which the House divided, and the yeas and nays were taken as follows:

YEAS.—Messieurs,

Yeas 8.

Berczy,	Campbell,	A. Fraser,	Roblin,
Bidwell,	Duncombe,	Ketchum,	Samson—8.

NAYS.—Messieurs,

Nays 16.

Atty. General,	Burwell,	Lewis,	Shaver,
Beardsley,	Cook,	Macnab,	Warren,
Boulton,	Elliott,	Mount,	Werden,
Buell,	Howard,	Perry,	White—16.

Amendment lost.

The question was decided in the negative by a majority of eight.

House divides on original Motion.

On the original question the House divided, and the yeas and nays were taken as follows:

YEAS.—Messieurs,

Yeas 11.

Atty. General,	Burwell,	Lewis,	Warren,
Berczy,	Elliott,	Macnab,	Werden—11.
Boulton,	Jarvis,	Samson,	

NAYS.—Messieurs,

Nays 16.

Beardsley,	Cook,	Ketchum,	Perry,
Bidwell,	Duncombe,	MacKenzie,	Roblin,
Buell,	A. Fraser,	McMartin,	Shaver,
Campbell,	Howard,	Mount,	White—16.

Question lost.

The question was decided in the negative by a majority of five.

Bill to repeal and amend the School Laws read,

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Buell, seconded by Mr. Howard, moves for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal a portion of the laws now in force, relating to Common Schools in this Province, and to make other and further provision for the regulation and encouragement of such Schools.

Which was granted and the Bill read, and ordered for a second reading on Monday.

and ordered to be printed.

Mr. MacKenzie, seconded by Mr. White, moves that five hundred copies of the Education Bill, just read, be printed for the use of members.

Ordered.

Religious Test repeal Bill read.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Attorney General, seconded by Mr. Berczy, moves for leave to bring in a Bill to abolish oaths, religious tests, and declarations, in certain cases.

Which was granted and the Bill read, and ordered for a second reading on Saturday next.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, 24th NOVEMBER, 1831.

THE House met.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

Address in answer to Speech read a third time.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Address to His Excellency, in answer to His Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session, was read the third time.

On the question for passing the Address the House divided.

On the question for passing the Address, the House divided and the Yeas and Nays were taken as follows:—

YEAS.—Messieurs,

Yeas 24.

Atty. General,	A. Fraser,	Macnab,	Shade,
Berczy,	R. Fraser,	Magon,	Sol. General,
Boulton,	Jarvis,	Mount,	Thomson,
Burwell,	Ketchum,	Randal,	Warren,
Chisholm,	Lewis,	Robinson,	Werden,
Elliott,	McMartin,	Samson,	White,—24

NAYS.—Messieurs,

Nays 11.

Bidwell,	Cook,	MacKenzie,	Shaver,
Buell,	Howard,	Perry,	W. Wilson,
Campbell,	McCall,	Roblin,	11

The question was carried in the affirmative by a majority of thirteen, and the Address was signed by the Speaker, and is as follows:—

To His Excellency SIR JOHN COLBORNE, *Knight, Commander of the most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein, &c. &c. &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

Address to His Excellency in answer to Speech at opening of Session.

We, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Upper Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly thank your Excellency for your gracious Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session, and beg leave to assure your Excellency, that we entirely concur with your Excellency in regarding the present season, in every respect, more convenient to the Province for the meeting of the Legislature than the period at which it has heretofore been usually assembled.