

11th, & 12th, *December*, 1826.

SIR PEREGRINE MAITLAND, K. C. B. *Lieutenant Governor.*

On motion made, and seconded, the House adjourned during pleasure.

The House formed.

On motion made and seconded, the Honorable Messrs. Wells and Dunn were appointed a Committee to prepare an Address in answer to the foregoing Message.

Committee to prepare an Address in answer to the said Message.

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The House formed.

The Committee appointed to prepare an Address in answer to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Message received this day, reported that they had done so and now submitted it to the consideration of the House.

Address Reported.

Ordered that the Report be received, and the Address was read.

On motion made and seconded, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to take the same into consideration.

House in Committee.

Mr. Wells in the Chair.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committed and adopted.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had taken the said Address into consideration and recommended it to the adoption of the House.

Ordered that the Report be accepted.

On motion made and seconded, the Address was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Third reading to-morrow.

On motion made and seconded, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at two o'clock, P. M.

Tuesday, 12th December, 1826.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT.

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM CAMPBELL, SPEAKER,

THE HONORABLE MESSRS. CROOKSHANK,

“ “ WELLS,

“ “ CAMERON,

“ “ RIDOUT,

Prayers were read.

The Minutes of yesterday were read.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in answer to His Message received on yesterday was read a third time, and the question being put if it do now pass, was carried in the affirmative, whereupon the Speaker signed the same as follows :

Read third time and passed.

To HIS EXCELLENCY SIR PEREGRINE MAITLAND, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, and Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein, &c. &c. &c.

Address on Civil Rights.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

The Legislative Council return their respectful thanks to Your Excellency for Your Excellency's Message transmitting an extract from a Despatch from His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, which accompanied an Act of the Imperial Parliament recently published by authority in this Province, entitled, "An Act to amend so much of an Act of the thirty first year of His late Majesty as relates to the Election of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Upper Canada."

The Legislative Council are fully sensible of Your Excellency's having taken the earliest moment for laying this despatch before them, in order that a full knowledge of the sentiments of His Majesty's Government may precede any discussion upon the important matter to which it relates.

(Signed)

WILLIAM CAMPBELL,
Speaker.

Legislative Council Chamber }
12th December, 1826.