

This is indeed a remarkable Resolution, and it has produced a memorable effect. *Here* we see the *first* step towards the collision of the two Houses; this was the first attitude of hostility, which introduced another and another, as will be seen in the sequel.—Let the names of the *minority* on this division not be forgotten: their manly and independent conduct should ever be remembered by the country. Such redeeming spirits may be outnumbered—they may be assailed by those “who hate that excellence they cannot reach;” but in the *hearts*, in the *affections* of *freemen* their memory should ever be fondly and gratefully cherished. They saw the *unprovoked* blow of the avenger descending; they *dared* to *interpose*:—this is enough for them:—that they *failed*, should diminish nothing from their meed of praise.—But before we remark more particularly on this Resolution, let us go back to 1833, and see what were the said *Opinion* and *Recommendation*, and what was done by “both Houses” thereon.

On the 11th February, 1833, the House of Assembly was informed by Message, “That His Majesty had been pleased, by his Royal Commission, to appoint two separate and distinct Councils in the Province, to be respectively called the *Legislative* and *Executive Councils*.”

Two days after, another Message was communicated as follows:—

“ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL.

“The Lieutenant Governor informs the House of Assembly, that he has received a despatch from Lord Goderich, in which his Lordship expresses his *opinion* that the Members of the Legislative Council should have their expenses paid in the same manner as the Members of the Assembly. The Lieutenant Governor, therefore, in obedience to the commands of his Lordship, *recommends* to the Assembly the passing of a Law providing for the expenses and attendance of the President and Members of the Legislative Council, in the same manner as has been provided for the Speaker and Members of the House of Assembly.”

The House went into Committee the next day on this “Opinion and Recommendation,” and unanimously adopted the following Resolution:—