

ceive any pay or compensation whatever, from the Treasury of the province, for their attendance and services in this House, because during the last Session of the General Assembly, when there was a general attendance of the Members, and in a fuller House, such was determined to be the sense of the House.--- Whereas during the present Session there has been barely a sufficient number of Members attending to constitute a House for the dispatch of business.

“ Because it is contrary to the ancient and established usage of Parliament, as well as of the Assemblies of his Majesty’s American Colonies in general, that the Members should be paid in any other manner than by the Counties, Towns or Boroughs, they have been chosen respectively to represent.

“ Because by such payment from the public Treasury, the members of some Counties would be thereby compensated, whose constituents have in no wise contributed to the public revenue.

“ Because, at the time of the Election of the Members of the present Assembly, it was generally understood, both by the electors and the elected, that the Members were to serve without pay, there being then no public funds, nor a probable means of raising any; and it would therefore be unfair, that the Members of this Assembly should vote pay to themselves without an opportunity given to their constituents to choose persons, if they think proper, to represent them in General Assembly, who will serve without pay.

“ And because it is contrary to that spirit of patriotism and magnanimity which hitherto has been, and ought ever to be the characteristic of the House of Assembly of the province of *New-Brunswick*, and would introduce a precedent pregnant with injustice, and derogatory to the honor and dignity of this House.”

Which motion was seconded by Colonel *Billopp*—Thereupon, Major *Murray* moved the previous question.—Upon which the House divided, and it appeared, that

Major Murray,	}	Members for <i>York</i> County.
Mr. Stelle,		
Mr. Hubbard,	}	For <i>Sunbury</i> .
Mr. Vanderburgh,		
Mr. Dickinson,		For <i>Queens</i> .
Mr. Campbell,		For <i>Charlotte</i> .
Mr. Hardy, and	}	For <i>Northumberland</i> .
Mr. Davidson,		

Were against it.

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