

Mr. *Simpson* took the Chair of the Committee, and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

And Mr. *Simpson* reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which amendments were again read at the Clerk's table, and aged to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed.

An Engrossed Bill to alter and amend certain Provisions of the Ordinance of the Governor and Council of *Lower Canada*, of the second year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Ordinance for establishing an efficient system of Police in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*, was read for the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Honourable Mr. Solicitor General *Aylwin*, do carry the said Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Honourable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by Mr. *Christie*, that the Message of His Excellency, the Governor General, in answer to the Address of this House, on the retirement of certain Members of the late Administration, be now read.

*Ordered*, That this House do now proceed on the Orders of the Day.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the sixth Report of the Standing Committee of Contingencies, being read,

*Resolved*, That this House will, tomorrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The order of the day for taking into consideration a series of Resolutions proposed by Mr. *Christie*, yesterday, on the subject of the Civil List, being read;

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Resolutions into consideration.

And the first to the fourth of the said Resolutions being again severally read, and the Question of concurrence being separately put upon each, they were agreed to by the House.

The fifth of the said Resolutions being again read;

The Honourable Mr. *Hincks* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Thorburn*, that the word "Puisne" be inserted before the word "Judges" in the said Resolution.

The Question having been put on the motion of amendment, a division ensued; and the names being called for, they were taken down as followeth;

#### YEAS.

Messieurs AYLWIN, BOSWELL, CHILD, DEWITT, DUNN, DURAND, GILCHRIST, HINCKS, HOPKINS, MERRITT, MORIN, MORRIS, POWELL, ROBLIN, THOMPSON, THORBURN, D. B. VIGER, and WILLIAMS.—(18.)

#### NAYS.

Messieurs BALDWIN, BERTHELOT, BLACK, BOULTON, BOUTILLIER, BEAUBIEN, CARTWRIGHT, CHESLEY, CHRISTIE, FORBES, FOSTER, HAMILTON, JOHNSTON, LAFONTAINE, LESLIE, SIR ALLAN N. MACNAB, J. S. MACDONALD, McLEAN, MOORE, MURNEY, NOEL, QUESNEL, SMALL, HARMANNUS SMITH, GEORGE SHERWOOD, TACHE, TURCOTTE, L. M. VIGER, and WOODS.—(29.)

So it passed in the negative.

The Question being then put on the said fifth Resolution, it was agreed to by the House.

The sixth of the said Resolutions being again read, and the Question being put thereon, it passed unanimously in the negative. Civil List

The seventh of the said Resolutions being again read, and the Question being put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

The eighth and last of the said Resolutions being again read, and the Question of concurrence being put thereon, it passed unanimously in the negative.

Mr. *Christie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Thompson*, that it is the opinion of this House, that the Office of Chief or Civil Secretary, to which is annexed a salary (£1620 Sterling) exceeding considerably any of those by law appertaining to the highest and most important offices in the Province, including those of the Chief Justices in *Lower Canada*, the Chief Justice of *Upper Canada*, and the Vice Chancellor thereof, respectively, and next to that of the Governor General, is an unnecessary and burdensome charge on the Civil List of the Province, and ought forthwith to be abolished, and the duties thereof transferred to the Provincial Secretary, responsible to this House, as a Member of Her Majesty's Executive Council in this Province, and in that quality a responsible adviser of His Excellency the Governor General.

Sir *Allan N. MacNab* moved, seconded by Mr. *Cartwright*, that the further consideration of the said motion be postponed, until this House shall take further action on the foregoing Resolutions.

The Question having been put upon the said motion, a division ensued; and the names being called for, they were taken down, as followeth:—

#### YEAS.

Messieurs CARTWRIGHT, FORBES, FOSTER, SIR ALLAN N. MACNAB, McLEAN, MURNEY, and GEORGE SHERWOOD.—(7.)

#### NAYS.

Messieurs AYLWIN, BALDWIN, BERTHELOT, BLACK, BOSWELL, BOULTON, BOUTILLIER, BEAUBIEN, CAMERON, CHRISTIE, DEWITT, DUNN, DURAND, GILCHRIST, HINCKS, HOPKINS, LAFONTAINE, LESLIE, D. McDONALD, J. S. MACDONALD, MERRITT, MORIN, MORRIS, POWELL, QUESNEL, ROBLIN, SMALL, HARMANNUS SMITH, THOMPSON, THORBURN, and L. M. VIGER.—(31.)

So it passed in the negative.

The Question being then put on the main motion, the House divided thereon; and the names being called for, they were taken down, as followeth:

#### YEAS.

Messieurs AYLWIN, BALDWIN, BERTHELOT, BLACK, BOSWELL, BOULTON, BOUTILLIER, BEAUBIEN, CAMERON, CHRISTIE, DEWITT, DUNN, DURAND, GILCHRIST, HINCKS, HOPKINS, LAFONTAINE, LESLIE, D. McDONALD, J. S. MACDONALD, MERRITT, MORIN, MORRIS, MURNEY, POWELL, QUESNEL, ROBLIN, SMALL, HARMANNUS SMITH, GEORGE SHERWOOD, THOMPSON, THORBURN, and L. M. VIGER.—(33.)

#### NAYS.

Messieurs CARTWRIGHT, FORBES, FOSTER, SIR ALLAN N. MACNAB, and McLEAN.—(5.)

So it was carried in the affirmative, and

*Resolved*, accordingly.

*Resolved*, That a Special Committee, composed of Mr. *Christie*, the Honourable Mr. *Boulton*, Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, the Honourable Mr. Attorney General *Baldwin*, and Mr. *Boswell*, be appointed to prepare and report the draught of an humble Address to Her Majesty, in con-