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Prætorquere injuriæ prius collum, quam ad vos pervenial.
PLAUTUS.

Break the neck of oppression and injustice before they reach you.

PROMINENT PARTS OF THE DEBATES OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF UPPER CANADA, RESPECTING

THE UNION.....Continued.

Mr. Baldwin, took occasion in reply to what had been predicted, that the day would come when these provinces would be separated from the parent-state, to say that he would not dare to contemplate such a subject, but he would say that *if any thing was calculated to effect such a disastrous change, it was the present measure, as it was sufficient to break up all confidence in the people, hurry them into rash measures, and EXPEDITE A RUPTURE BY HALF A CENTURY.*

Mr. A. M'Lean's observations, though luminous and weighty, merely had relation to the relative situation in which Upper Canada would be placed, with respect to her revenue, by the contemplated union. In contradiction of the assertion that had been made, that Upper Canada had been taxed by Lower Canada, he denied that they had ever been taxed by the Lower province, without their consent. Lower Canada having, *by agreement*, been allowed to impose duties at the port of Quebec, a portion of which had been received by Upper Canada till recently, they had, in fact, taxed themselves. It was his opinion too, that, were the union to take place, as at present projected, of the legislatures only, it would be found so incomplete a measure that an union of the Executives must certainly follow, which would entail other consequences, not yet at all considered. Mr. M'Lean, in conclusion, moved a set of resolutions against the union.

To Mr. John Wilson's speech it is impossible to do justice in the limited space I must assign to these extracts. Speaking of the trade-act, which he characterised as a wise and salutary measure, he stated that "fault was found with it, not because the ends of justice could not be obtained, but because there was a party in the Lower province, whose ambition led them to hope that those unfounded complaints would enable them, by