

Address to His Majesty on the subject of Lands to U. E. Loyalists. Militia Claimants &c.

corresponding price. We would also beg leave to represent, that there are also in this Province other classes of persons, who have His Majesty's pledge for a grant of a portion of lands, whose meritorious conduct and valuable services entitle them to the favorable consideration of Your Majesty, viz. those *volunteers* who composed the Flank Companies of Militia in this Province, in the year one thousand, eight hundred and twelve, and those who served in the incorporated Militia, or Provincial Corps, during the late war between the King's Government and the United States of America, which description of persons equally suffered by the said regulations; according to the quantity of lands to which they are entitled, they in general having become possessed of lands in like manner as above mentioned. All which is respectfully submitted for the gracious consideration of Your Majesty, trusting and requesting that Your Majesty will take such steps as you in your wisdom may deem expedient, in order that speedy and ample justice may be done in the premises, and that the just claims and rights of persons of the foregoing description may be duly respected, by all persons acting under Your Majesty's authority.

ARCHIBALD McLEAN,
SPEAKER.

Commons House of Assembly, }
4th day of March, 1834. }

Message from Leg. Council.

The Master in Chancery brought down from the Honorable the Legislative Council, two messages which were read by the Speaker as follows:

MR. SPEAKER,

Louth Survey bill passed.

The Legislative Council have passed the bill sent up from the Commons House of Assembly, entitled, "An Act to provide for establishing the Concession lines in the township of Louth, in the District of Niagara," without amendment.

JOHN B. ROBINSON,
SPEAKER.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
4th day of March, 1834. }

MR. SPEAKER,

Message from Leg. Council acceding to a conference on amendments to York Incorporation bill.

The Legislative Council accedes to the request of the Commons House of Assembly, for a conference on the subject matter of the amendments made by this House in and to the bill sent up from the Commons House of Assembly, entitled, "An Act to extend the limits of the Town of York, and to incorporate the same under the style and title of 'The City of York and the Liberties thereof,'" and has appointed the Honorable Messieurs Wells and Crooks, to be the Conferees on their part, who will be ready to meet a Committee on the part of the Commons House of Assembly, this day, at half an hour past two of the clock, P. M., in the Committee Room of the Legislative Council, for that purpose.

JOHN B. ROBINSON,
SPEAKER.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
4th day of March, 1834. }

Instructions to committee of conference.

Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Berczy, moves, that Messrs. Jarvis, Samson, Boulton, and Vankoughnet, be Conferees on the part of this House, to meet the Conferees on the part of the Legislative Council, at the time and place appointed, on the subject of the York Incorporation bill; and the Conferees on the part of this House, be instructed to acquaint the Conferees of the Honorable the Legislative Council, that it appears to this House inexpedient that the Mayor should be at liberty to vote in two capacities, as Mayor and Alderman; and that under this view of the amendments made by the Honorable Legislative Council, giving a right to do so, the Assembly trusts that the Legislative Council will not deem its adoption essential.

Ordered.

A message to be sent to Leg. Council for leave for their Clerk to attend Select Committee of this House.

Mr. Jarvis, seconded by Mr. Robinson, moves, that a message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting that honorable body will permit Grant Powell, Esq. the Clerk of that House, to appear and give evidence before a Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the petition of Joseph Turton.

Which was carried, and Messrs. Jarvis and Robinson, were ordered by the Speaker to carry up the message.

Address to His Majesty on Emigrant Tax passed.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the address to His Majesty on the subject of taxing emigrants and passengers arriving at any of the Ports in Lower Canada, from Great Britain and Ireland, was read the third time and passed, and is as follows:

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

The Commons House of Assembly in Provincial Parliament Assembled, most respectfully beg leave again to draw the attention of Your Majesty to the subject of the tax imposed by the Legislature of Lower Canada, upon all emigrants or passengers arriving at the Ports of Quebec and Montreal, from any part of the United Kingdom.

Address to His Majesty on the subject of taxing Emigrants.

On a former occasion, in addressing Your Majesty on this important subject, we respectfully endeavoured to demonstrate that the power of taxation then assumed by the Legislature of our sister Province was wholly at variance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, which gave distinct and independent Legislatures to the Canadas.

The Act which imposed this tax was merely temporary, and we were willing to believe that it must have been passed "inadvertently," and would never be renewed, yet, we then felt ourselves imperatively called on to submit to Your Majesty our respectful remonstrance, and to pray for its disallowance.

We have taken it for granted, that as the Act had already gone into full operation—as considerable sums of money had been received under its authority—and as the period for its duration would soon expire, Your Majesty had, under these circumstances, been induced to allow the Act to remain in force: yet, we regret that a measure, against which the Legislature and the people of this Province naturally entertained so strong a repugnance, should even for a time receive the apparent sanction of Your Majesty's Government.

It was however gratifying to learn that some of Your Majesty's Ministers had strongly expressed sentiments in accordance with our view of this subject; and we had the fullest confidence that there would be no attempt made to continue an Act so manifestly unjust and unconstitutional.

It was therefore not without feelings of disappointment and alarm, we are compelled to represent to Your Majesty, that the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of Lower Canada have again, for the purpose of continuing this tax, passed an Act, in its provisions open to all the objections urged by us against the former measure.

Disclaiming any intention to impute this conduct to a disregard of the rights of British Subjects in general, or of the inhabitants of this Province in particular, we cannot avoid expressing our regret, that the constitutional rights of the people of Upper Canada have either been not understood, or have been overborne by considerations of supposed temporary expediency.

We, therefore, most earnestly pray, Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to withhold the Royal Assent from any measure which may even indirectly interfere with the constitution bestowed upon this Province by Your Majesty's Royal Father.

ARCHIBALD McLEAN,
SPEAKER.

Passed Commons House of Assembly, }
4th March, 1834. }

Agreeably to the order of the day, the address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, on the subject of the Hospitals at Kingston and York, was read a third time, passed and signed, and is as follows:

Address to His Excellency on the subject of Hospitals at Kingston and York passed.

To His Excellency SIR JOHN COLBORNE, Knight, Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of Upper Canada in Provincial Parliament assembled, have taken into our consideration Your Excellency's message of the 16th day of December last, transmitting the petition of the Commissioners appointed by an Act of the Provincial Legislature of the second Session of this Parliament, entitled, "An Act granting to His Majesty a sum of money in aid of the erection of an Hospital in or near the Town of Kingston."

Address to His Excellency on the subject of Hospitals at Kingston and York.

This grant, and also the various grants made in aid of the Hospital under the care of the Kingston Female Benevolent Society, and in aid of the York Hospital, evince the interest felt by us in this matter, and our anxiety to afford all the aid in our power to so important an object as the establishment of an Hospital, and we have therefore learned with great satisfaction, that the money granted for the endowment of an Hospital at Kingston, is likely to be expended economically and judiciously and to great advantage. It is, in our opinion, desirable that means should be provided for the maintenance of the institution, and although from past experience there is every reason to be-