

Whereas it is important in the interest of the Province to put an end to a state of things which is prejudicial alike to the development of the important resources of that part of the country, and to the administration of justice, the progress of colonization, the maintenance of order and peace, and to the security and guarantee of the rights of our citizens respecting private property in that region ;

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House the Western, Northern and Eastern frontiers of the Province of Quebec are and should be fixed and determined as follows :

All the country included, towards the West, by the prolongation of the present boundary line between Ontario and Quebec until it touches the Southern shore of James' Bay, thence by the shore line of James' Bay to the mouth of the River East Maine, towards the North along the right bank of the said river from its mouth to its source ; thence still towards the North by a line striking the most northern limits of the Great Esquimaux, Ashuanipi or Hamilton River and following the left bank of that river into Rigolet Bay,—Hamilton Inlet ; towards the East and the North East by the Meridian of the most Eastern point of the sources of the St. Paul or little Esquimaux River and along that river, towards the East to the 52nd degree of North latitude and following that parallel to the meridian of l'Anse au Blanc Sablon, the present recognized frontier of the Province of Quebec.

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion, based on the present resolutions, praying him to adopt or to cause to be adopted the measures necessary to establish and determine in a definitive manner the Western, Northern and Eastern frontiers of the Province of Quebec, as set forth in these resolutions.

Resolved, That the said resolutions be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messrs. Lynch, Taillon, Beaubien, Mercier, Marchand, and of Messrs. Duhamel, Gagnon, Asselin, Faucher de Saint-Maurice, St-Hilaire and Boyer, to prepare and report the draft of an Address to His Excellency the Governor-General, praying him to adopt or to cause to be adopted the steps necessary to establish and determine in a definitive manner the Western, Northern and Eastern frontiers of the Province of Quebec, as set forth in the said resolutions.

The Honorable Mr. Blanchet Reported, from the said Committee, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly, and the same was read as followeth :

*To His Excellency the Right Honorable Henry Charles Keith Petty Fitzmaurice,
Marquis of Landsdowne, G. C. M. G., Governor-General
of Canada and Vice-Admiral of the same.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

The loyal subjects of Her Majesty of the Legislative Assembly for the Province of Quebec in Legislature assembled, deem it their duty humbly to represent :

That, in the opinion of this House, the Western, Northern and Eastern frontiers of the Province of Quebec are and should be established and determined as follows :

All the country included, towards the West, by the prolongation of the present boundary line between Ontario and Quebec until it touches the southern shore of James' Bay, thence by the shore line of St. James' Bay to the mouth of the river East Maine ; towards the North along the right bank of the said river, from its mouth to its source ; thence still towards the north by a line striking the most northern limits of the great Esquimaux, Ashuanipi or Hamilton river, and following the left bank of that river into Rigolet Bay,—Hamilton inlet ; towards the east and