Brenton, Howat, Conroy, Howlan, Sinclair, Walker, Sutherland—10.

Against it—Hons. Colonial Secretary, Solicitor General, Gray, Whelan, and Mr. Green.

Mr. Sinclair then proposed a Resolution, to the effect that, Whereas the Government had exceeded the authority of last Session, by the appointment of Delegates to Canada; and whereas this House, by resolutions, declared that Confederation, if effected, would prove disastrous to the rights and liberties of the people of this Colony, therefore, that the Government should appoint no further Delegations, or take any action to alter the Constitution without the express authority of the Legislature.

A discussion then ensued on the subject of this Resolution, when it was argued that the adoption of such course was unusual and would place extraordinary restrictions on the prerogative of the Government.

The question was then put on the said Resolution which was negatived on the following division:

Against it—Hon. Messrs. J. C. Pope, Gray, Longworth, Laird, Davies, Kaye, Col. Secretary, Solicitor General, Whelan, Thornton; Messrs. Ramsay, Montgomery, Haslam, Yeo, Duncan, Breeken, Howat, Green, McLennan—19.

For the Resolution—Hons. Messrs. Coles, Hensley, Warburton, Beaton, Kelly; Messrs. Sinclair, Conroy, Howlan, Walker, Sutherland—10.

The Resolution was accordingly lost.

Hon. J. C. Pope then submitted a Resolution for the purpose of appointing a Committee to prepare a joint address to Her Majesty the Queen, founded upon the Resolutions of that House, upon the subject of the proposed Confederation of the British North American Colonies, expressive of the determination of the Legislature, on the part of the people of the Colony, not to assent to such Confederation

Ordered, that the Hon. Messrs. J. C. Pope, Longworth, Hensley, Coles, and Mr. Sinclair, be a Committee, on the part of that House, to prepare such address.

After which, at a very late hour, the House adjourned.

SATURDAY, March 25.*

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Hon. Solicitor General presented a petition from divers inhabitants of Georgetown, asking permission to erect a Tower on the public square of that Town.

Said petition was referred to the following special Committee to report thereon, viz: Hons. Solicitor General, Longworth, Kaye.

Debate on the Union of the Colonies resumed and adjourned.

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* The dates are repeated: because the Reporters, with the permission of the House, published the Debate on the Union of the Colonies, in a connected form, though it was resumed only on the evening of each day