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COLONIAL SLAVERY.

RESOLUTIONS

FOR

THE ABOLITION OF COLONIAL SLAVERY,

PROPOSED BY MR. SECRETARY STANLEY,

14 *May* 1833.

1.—THAT it is the Opinion of this Committee, that immediate and effectual Measures be taken for the entire Abolition of Slavery throughout the Colonies, under such provisions for regulating the condition of the Negroes, as may combine their welfare with the interests of the Proprietors.

2.—THAT it is expedient that all Children born after the passing of any Act, or who shall be under the Age of Six Years at the time of passing any Act of Parliament for this purpose, be declared free; subject nevertheless to such temporary restrictions as may be deemed necessary for their support and maintenance.

3.—THAT all Persons now Slaves be entitled to be registered as Apprenticed Labourers, and to acquire thereby all Rights and Privileges of Freemen; subject to the restriction of labouring, under conditions and for a time to be fixed by Parliament, for their present Owners.

4.—THAT to provide against the risk of Loss which Proprietors in His Majesty's Colonial Possessions might sustain by the Abolition of Slavery, His Majesty be enabled to advance by way of Loan, to be raised from time to time, a Sum not exceeding in the whole £.15,000,000, to be repaid in such manner and at such rate of Interest as shall be prescribed by Parliament.

5.—THAT His Majesty be enabled to defray any such Expense as He may incur in establishing an efficient stipendiary Magistracy in the Colonies, and in aiding the local Legislatures in providing for the Religious and Moral Education of the Negro Population to be emancipated.

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