

PREFATORY REMARKS.

under the Authority of the said Act, it being at the same time understood that the Government of the Dominion shall readily consent to the introduction of Responsible Government when desired by the inhabitants of British Columbia, and it being likewise understood that it is the intention of the Governor of British Columbia, under the authority of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to amend the existing Constitution of the Legislature by providing that a majority of its members shall be elective.

The Union shall take effect according to the foregoing terms and conditions on such day as Her Majesty by and with the advice of Her Most Honourable Privy Council may appoint (on addresses from the Legislature of the Colony of British Columbia, and of the Houses of Parliament of Canada, in Terms of the 146th section of the "British North America Act, 1867,) and British Columbia may in its addresses specify the Electoral Districts* for which the first election of Members to serve in the House of Commons shall take place.

* Electoral Districts.

DISTRICT OF VICTORIA.—Lake North Saanich, South Saanich, Esquimalt (including Mechosin and Highland Districts), Sook, Salt Spring, and Cowichan (including Somenos Quamucnan, Cominchen, Shawingan, and Chemainus.)

DISTRICT OF NANAIMO.—Nannimo (including Mountain, Cedar, Cranberry and Comox.)

DISTRICT OF NEW WESTMINSTER.—New Westminster city and suburbs, Langley, Chilliwack and Burrard Inlet.

DISTRICT OF YALE—Yale, Hope, Rock Creek, Lytton, Nicola Lake, Cache Creek, Kamloops and Okanagan.

DISTRICT OF LILLOOET.—Lillooet, Clinton, 21-Mile House, Canoe Creek and Lake La Pache.

DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY.—Wild Horse Creek, Perry Creek and French Creek.

DISTRICT OF CARIBOO.—Barkerville, Lightning Creek, Keithley Creek, Quesnelmouth, Williams Lake and Omineca.

CITY OF VICTORIA DISTRICT.—Not divided.

And New Westminster City District. Cowichan District.

Comox District. Esquimalt District.

See Constitution Act, 1871.

BRITISH COLUMBIA UNDER CONFEDERATION.

The Local Government has to provide	-	\$236,073 75
The Dominion Government has to pay	-	282,301 96
The estimated revenue of B. Columbia for 1871 is		533,950 00
The Dominion Government takes	-	363,500 00
Local revenue left	-	170,450 00