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### 48 GREAT ST. JAMES STREET,

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SIR,—On the first of January, 1867, we issued a circular, giving directions with reference to the steps which in our opinion should be taken by foreign inventors, in order to eventually secure their inventions or discoveries in the Dominion of Canada, prior to the passage of a general Patent Law, applicable to the whole Dominion, in the event of the provisions of that law being adverse to foreigners.

We stated that, prior to the date of Confederation of the Provinces of Canada, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, under the Dominion Act, which came in force the 1st day of July, 1867, and which would eventually include Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, and the Provinces on the Pacific coast, each of these Provinces was in possession of a distinct Patent Law, differing in many respects from each other : that these various laws would, under the new constitution, continue in force in each respective Province up to the period of the passage of a general Patent Law by the Dominion Parliament, which would abrogate the local laws

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