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which created will not suddenly annihilate, without due notice to all the interests involved, that they may prepare themselves as well as they may for the change, if it must come.

Your petitioners therefore most humbly pray that your Majesty will interpose your Regal authority to rescue them from evils which the rumoured alterations in the wood duties, unless gradually carried into operation, must inevitably inflict upon them and the province generally.

And as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

[153 Signatures.]

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Sir W. M. G. Cole-
brooke to
Lord John Russell,
21 June 1841.

EXTRACT of a DESPATCH from Sir *W. M. G. Colebrooke* to Lord *John Russell*,
dated Fredericton, New Brunswick, 21 June 1841.

In the future regulation of the duties upon timber and deals, protection should be given to the numerous mills which have been erected, a large capital having thus been invested under encouragement of the present protecting duties. The square timber which is wrought in the woods by the lumberers may be distinguished from that which is squared in the saw-mills by the cutting of deals.
