Copies or Extracts of Correspondence between Her Majesty's Government and the Governor General of Canada in reference to the Militia Bills proposed and passed in the Canadian Parliament.

No. 1.

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COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor-General Viscount Monck to his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G.

(No. 92.)

Quebec, May 30, 1862. (Received 12 June 1862.)

MY LORD DUKE,

(Answered, No. 133, 25 June 1862, page 39.)

I have the honour to inform your Grace that in the Legislative Assembly, on Tuesday the 20th May, the Honourable Attorney General Cartier moved:-" That the " Bill (No. 76) respecting the militia be now read a second time;" and the question being put on the said motion, the house divided, and it was negatived by a majority of seven, the members being—yeas, 54; nays, 61.

In consequence of this vote, Mr. Cartier, on the part of himself and his colleagues,

tendered his resignation on the following day.

I accepted it, and sent for the Honourable John Sandfield McDonald, member for Cornwall, to whom I entrusted the formation of a new administration.

On Friday the 28d, Mr. McDonald submitted to me the names of the gentlemen

whom he proposed as members of the new Executive Council.

I approved of them, and accordingly made the following appointments, viz.:-The Honourable John Sandfield McDonald to be Attorney-General for Upper

The Honourable Louis Victor Sicotte Attorney-General for Lower Canada.

The Honourable James Morris to be Receiver-General.

The Honourable Antoine Aimé Dorion, Provincial Secretary. The Honourable Michael Hamilton Foley, Postmaster-General.

The Honourable Wm. McDougall, Commissioner of Crown Lands.
The Honourable Wm. Pearce Howland, Minister of Finance.
The Honourable Ulric Joseph Tessier, Commissioner of Public Works.
The Honourable Thomas D'Arcy McGee, President of the Executive Council.

The Honourable Francois Evanturel, Minister of Agriculture and Statistics.

The Honourable Adam Wilson, Solicitor-General for Upper Canada.

The Honourable John Caldwell Abbott, Solicitor-General for Lower Canada. These gentlemen were also appointed members of the Executive Council.

Copies of the commissions will be forwarded to your Grace by the following mail.

(Signed)

I have, &c.

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G.

&c. &c. &c.

No. 2.

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EXTRACT of a DESPATCH from Governor-General Viscount Monck to His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G., dated Quebec, June 10, 1862.

(No. 96.)

(Received 26 June 1862.)

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I HAVE the honour to acknowledge your Grace's Despatch, No. 119, of May 22d, covering a letter of Lord de Grey, dated May 10th, in which his Lordship desired