

ernment, after full deliberation, to think such a course inexpedient. That I abstained from adverting to it in my Despatch to Your Lordship of the 18th August, was solely owing to the absence of any reference in your previous Despatches to the expectation which it appears Your Lordship entertained that such a course would have been adopted.

Appointment of Mr. Turton to the Executive Council referred to.

There is one other topic to which I hoped it would have been unnecessary for me to recur, but which, after the renewed allusion to it in Your Lordship's Despatch, No. 66, I cannot altogether pass over in silence, I mean the appointment of Mr. Turton as an Executive Councillor. I abstained from replying to your Despatch of 30th July, No. 30, on this subject, from a conviction that the correspondence which had already taken place with regard to it could not be continued, without a wide departure from the ordinary rules of official communications, and without exposing to needless pain the individual who had unfortunately been the occasion of it. The observations, however, which you have made in your Despatch of the 25th September, compel me to remind you that your selection of that Gentleman for the Office of your legal adviser, was made by you without any previous communication to Lord Melbourne or to myself, and without any knowledge on our part of your intention; and that as soon as it was known to us, Lord Melbourne stated to you the decided objection which he entertained to the appointment. In consequence of this intimation from Lord Melbourne, you waived the appointment, expressing at the same time your intention, in consideration of the painful position in which Mr. Turton would otherwise be placed, that he should proceed to Canada as your private friend.

His appointments disapproved of.

It was unquestionably the firm impression, and expectation of Lord Melbourne and myself, that whatever assistance Mr. Turton might render to Your Lordship, would be given in a private capacity; and that he was not to fill any official situation connected with your mission.

I have, &c.

(Signed.)

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To the Right Honorable
THE EARL OF DUNHAM,
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