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COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor-General the Right Hon. the Earl of
ELGIN AND KINCARDINE to Earl GREY.

Government House, Montreal,
December 28, 1849.

(Received January 23, 1850.)

(Answered February 18, 1849, No. 468, page 24.)

MY LORD,

IN reply to your Lordship's Despatch No. 433, of the 16th November, I think it right to state that the signature of Mr. J. G. Mackenzie is affixed to the document transmitted in my Despatch No. 129,* of the 3rd instant, in which separation from Great Britain and annexation to the United States of America is recommended as the remedy for certain evils under which this province is alleged to suffer; and that it was affixed thereto with his consent, as appears from a letter from him to the Provincial Secretary, of which I enclose a copy. I am not aware of any other objection to the confirmation of that gentleman's appointment as Portuguese Consul at Montreal.

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I have, &c.,
(Signed) ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey,
&c. &c. &c.

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SIR,

Montreal, November 2, 1849.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your communication, dated 30th ult., requesting, by order of the Governor-General, to know whether my name, which has appeared in a document recommending annexation to the United States, had been placed there with my consent. In reply, I do not hesitate to declare that my signature was placed there not only deliberately, but cheerfully and voluntarily, conscientiously believing as I do that the best interests, ultimately, alike of this my adopted as well as that of the mother country, would be benefited by the change.

The Honourable James Leslie,
Provincial Secretary.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. G. MACKENZIE.

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COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor-General the Right Hon. the Earl of
ELGIN AND KINCARDINE to Earl GREY.

Government House, Toronto,
December 31, 1849.
(Received January 25, 1850.)

MY LORD,

WITH reference to my Despatch, No. 129,* of the 3rd instant, I have the honour to transmit herewith, for your Lordship's perusal, the printed copy of a further "Address to the people of Canada," from the body styling itself the Montreal Annexation Association.

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I have, &c.,
(Signed) ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey,
&c. &c. &c.

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ADDRESS of the MONTREAL ANNEXATION ASSOCIATION to the PEOPLE of CANADA.

FELLOW COLONISTS,

WHEN those whom we have the honour to represent undertook to recommend to you, in the address to the people of Canada, published in October last, the consideration of the peaceable separation of this province from Great Britain, and its annexation to the United States, they were fully aware of the responsibility which they assumed, and were, therefore, anxious to adopt only such measures as would be perfectly safe for those whose co-operation they sought