## HALIFAX, N.S., 1st December, 1892.

Hon. J. C. PATTEBSON, Secretary of State, Ottawa, Ont.

SIR,—As solicitors for the parties interested, we are forwarding to you, by this mail, a petition to his excellency the governor-general praying for the disallowance of an act of the legislature of Nova Scotia entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to Mines and Minerals," being 55 Vic. (1892) cap. 1.

We have, &c.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, OTTAWA, 5th December, 1892.

Messes. HENRY, HARBIS & HENRY, Barristers, Halifax, N. S.

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st instant transmitting on behalf of lessees of coal mines in Nova Scotia, a petition praying for the disallowance of an act passed by the legislature of Nova Scotia, entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to Mines and Minerals," and to state that the matter will receive consideration.

I have &c.,

L. A. CATELLIER, Under Secretary of State...

HALIFAX, N.S., 11th January, 1893.

Hon. JOHN COSTIGAN, Secretary of State, Ottawa, Ont.

SIR,—We have the honour to inform you that the International Coal Company, Limited, the Caledonia Coal and Railway Company, Limited, and Messrs. Archibald & Co., proprietors of the Gowrie Colliery, desire to be considered as having withdrawn from the petitions for the 'disallowance of an act of the legislature of Nova Scotia entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to Mines and Minerals," being 55 Victoria (1892), chapter 1.

These petitions were forwarded to your department by us on the 1st of December, 1892.

We have, &c., HENRY H

HENRY, HARRIS & HENRY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF CANADA,

OTTAWA, 16th January, 1893.

To Messrs. HENRY, HARRIS & HENRY, Solicitors, Halifax, N.S.

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your communication, dated the 11th instant, notifying the secretary of state that the International Coal Company, Limited, the Caledonia Coal and Railway Company, Limited, and Messrs. Archibald & Co., proprietors of the Gowrie Colliery, desire to be considered as having withdrawn from the petitions forwarded to this department by you on the 1st ultimo, for the disallowance of an act of the legislature of Nova Scotia entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to Mines and Minerals," being 55 Vic. (1892), cap. 1, as therein set forth, and to state that the notice in question will receive attention.

I have, &c.,

L. A. CATELLIER, Under Secretary of State.