

PREFATORY REMARKS.

of freight and passengers.

5. Canada will assume and defray the charges for the following Services:—

- A. Salary of the Lieutenant Governor.
- B. Salaries and allowances of the Judges of the Supreme Courts and the County and District Courts.
- C. The charges in respect to the Department of Customs.
- D. The Postal and Telegraph Services.
- E. Protection and encouragement of Fisheries.
- F. Provision for the Militia.
- G. Lighthouses, Buoys, and Beacons, Shipwrecked Crews, Quarantine and Marine Hospitals, including a Marine Hospital at Victoria.
- H. Geological Survey.
- I. The Penitentiary.

And such further changes as may be incident to and connected with the services which by the British North America Act of 1867 appertain to the General Government, and as are or may be allowed to the other Provinces.

6. Suitable Pensions such as shall be approved of by Her Majesty's Government shall be provided by the Government of the Dominion for those of Her Majesty's Servants in the colony whose position and emoluments derived therefrom would be affected by political changes on the admission of British Columbia in the Dominion of Canada.

7. It is agreed that the existing Customs Tariff and Excise Duties shall continue in force in British Columbia until the Railway from the Pacific Coast and the system of Railways in Canada are connected, unless the Legislature of British Columbia should sooner decide to accept the Tariff and Excise Laws of Canada. When Customs and Excise Duties are, at the time of the Union of British Columbia with Canada, leviable on any Goods, Wares or Merchandise in British Columbia, or in the other Provinces of the Dominion, those Goods, Wares, or Merchandise may, from and after the Union, be imported into British Columbia from the Provinces now composing the Dominion, or from either of those Provinces into British Columbia, on proof of payment of the Customs or Excise Duties leviable thereon in the Province of Exportation, and on the payment of such further amount (if any) of Customs or Excise Duties as are leviable thereon in the Province of Importation. This arrangement to have no force or effect after the assimilation of the Tariff and Excise Duties of British Columbia with those of the Dominion.

8. British Columbia shall be entitled to be represented in the Senate by Three Members, and by six Members in the House of Commons. The representation to be increased under the provisions of the "British North America Act, 1867."

9. The influence of the Dominion Government shall be used to secure the continued maintenance of the Naval Station at Esquimalt.

10. The provisions of the "British North America Act, 1867," shall (except those parts thereof which are in the terms made, or by reasonable intendment may be held to be specially applicable to and only affect one and not the whole of the Provinces now comprising the Dominion, and except so far as the same may be varied by this Minute) be applicable to British Columbia, in the same way and to the like extent as they apply to the other