manufactures of the Mother Country when admitted into the Ports of Canada from Sea.

Resolved.—That they have every confidence that the Revenue arising from Foreign Commerce, and the tolls on our Canals, will enable the Provincial Government to make this reduction in a few years after our great leading communications to the Ocean are opened.

Resolved.—That with a view of securing the transit of the Western States of America through those waters, it is indispensable to allow a drawback on all Grain and Flour shipped to Britain from the Ports on the St. Lawrence, whenever the price of Flour exceeds 30s. Sterling, per barrel, at the Ports of Montreal and Quebec.

Resolved.—That and humble Address to Her Majesty be founded on the above Resolutions.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. HAMILTON MERRITT, Chairman.

8th October, 1842,

MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

WILLIAM HAMILTON MERRITT, Esquire, in the Chair,

Friday, 30th September, 1842.

The following Questions were submitted to several Gentlemen engaged in the Forwarding Trade, and their joint replies thereto are annexed:—