

Tupper, who told him that it was all d——d nonsense to look for Repeal from a Parliament in which the leaders upon both sides combined to uphold the Confederation of the Provinces. That if Mr. Howe would only accept the situation he (Dr. Tupper) would pledge himself to use every means in his power to secure better terms for Nova Scotia; and if refused he would join the Antis to break down the Canadian Government. That if Mr. Howe would consent he would waive his own claims in favor of Mr. Howe, who could take the office of Secretary for the Provinces, or some other department, or a Railway Commissionership, whichever would be most agreeable, and that his friend, Mr. Annand, could have one or the other, just as he and Mr. Howe arranged between themselves. I will not repeat the rough word I used, expressive of my indignation, when Mr. Howe had told his tale, and again I separated from my old friend without suspecting him of secretly favouring Dr. Tupper's proposition. The "charity" that covers a multitude of sins blinded me again, and it was not until after Mr. Howe began to discuss finance with the Canadians that I remembered the cloud that passed over his brow when I repelled the Doctor's insidious proposition.

I will not undertake to say that Mr. Howe then and there meditated treason to his country. You must judge for yourself after I have referred to two or three movements on this side. Mr. Howe, when he landed from the steamer in the morning, was enthusiastically cheered; and where do we find him a few hours later? The guest of a prominent Confederate, surrounded exclusively by gentlemen who had received tidings in advance, by telegraph, that he was ready to accept the situation. And where next? Absenting himself from the Convention at which he had himself invited the Dominion members to be present, that he might meet Sir John A. McDonald and his colleagues at a convivial entertainment. And where next? Closeted with Sir John at Government House, admitting that he had no hope of repeal, and chaffering for "better terms." And where next? In the country discouraging everybody he met, absenting himself from the Assembly who had invited him to be present to accept the thanks of the House for his services in England. And where next? On his way to Ottawa for "better terms," and an office for himself, and now on his knees to you "men of Hants," asking you to approve of all he has done. I do not even now positively aver that Mr. Howe made