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completely independent of and unconnected with all parties and persons in the province.

Dissensions and animosities have naturally, during the course of the late unfortunate events, been carried to such an extent, that the necessary abstraction from all party feeling cannot be expected from any who have been participators in the struggle on one side or the other.

His Excellency believes that it is as much the interest of you all as for the advantage of his own mission, that his administrative conduct should be free from all suspicions of political influence or party feeling, that it should rest on his own undivided responsibility; and that when he quits the province he should leave none of its permanent residents in any way committed by the acts which his government may have found it necessary to perform during the temporary suspension of the constitution. When happily the time shall have come for the re-establishment of constitutional government, the different powers composing it will return to their natural state, and be confided to those whose station in the province and personal character entitle them to the confidence of their Sovereign and their Country.

I have, &c.

(signed) *Charles Buller, jun.*
Chief Secretary.

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THE APPOINTMENTS made by Lord *Durham* of the Executive Council and the Special Council.

EXTRACT from the *Quebec Gazette*, dated 2 June 1838.

His Excellency the Governor-general has been pleased to summon to the Executive Council the following gentlemen :

The Secretaries of the General Government ; viz.

Charles Buller, Esq., M. P., Chief Secretary.

T. E. M. Turton, Esq., Secretary.

Colonel George Couper, K. H., Military Secretary.

The Provincial Secretary.

The Commissary-general.

No appointment had been made by the Earl of Durham to the Special Council at the date of his last despatches.
