

CHAPTER VII.

THE REBELLION OF 1837-38.

1. Cause :

- a.* Defects of the Constitutional Act.
- b.* Political abuses in Lower Canada.
- c.* Political abuses in Upper Canada.
- d.* Efforts in Parliament to secure Reform.

2. The Rebellion :

- a.* Rebellion in Lower Canada.
- b.* Rebellion in Upper Canada.
- c.* "The Patriots."

3. Results :

- a.* Lord Durham's Mission and Report.
- b.* The Act of Union, 1840.
- c.* Responsible Government.
- d.* The Municipal System.
- e.* Confederation, 1867.

1. Defects of the Constitutional Act. Although the British Government took great pains to make thorough inquiry before passing the Constitutional Act, it had many defects.

(1) The Assembly, which represented the people, was not given control of the revenue.

(2) The Executive Council and the Legislative Council were appointed, not elected.

(3) The Executive Council could not be removed for wrong-doing.

(4) The division of the country into a French and a British province gave rise to many jealousies