

4. Despatch from His Excellency Lieutenant General Sir W. Eyre, K. C. B., to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, dated 18th August 1857 :

5. Despatch from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to Right Honorable Sir E. Head, Bart., dated December 10th, 1857 :

6. Despatch from Right Honorable Sir E. Head, Bart., to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, dated December 19th, 1857 :

7. Despatch from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to Right Honorable Sir E. Head, Bart., dated December 26th, 1857 :

8. Despatch from Right Honorable Sir E. Head, Bart., to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, dated January 7th, 1858.

### III. Correspondence with the Government of Nova Scotia, viz :—

1. Despatch from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to His Excellency Major General Sir G. LeMarchant, dated August 10th, 1857 :

2. Despatch from His Excellency Major General Sir G. LeMarchant to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, dated August 15th, 1857 :

3. Despatch from the Provincial Secretary of Nova Scotia to the Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick, dated November 23rd, 1857 :

4. Despatch from the Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick to the Provincial Secretary of Nova Scotia, dated December 12th, 1857 :

5. Despatch from the Provincial Secretary of Nova Scotia to the Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick, dated December 21st, 1857 :

6. Despatch from the Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick to the Provincial Secretary of Nova Scotia, dated December 26th, 1857.

*February 17th, 1858.*

J. H. T. M-S.

### I. CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

(Copy)—No. 13.

*Government House, Fredericton, N. B. August 10th, 1857.*

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit to you the copy of a Memorandum which has this day been laid before me by my Council, respecting the construction of an Inter-Colonial Line of Railway.

A copy also of the Dispatch from Lieutenant General Sir W. Eyre, (the Administrator of the Government of Canada), to which this Memorandum refers, is enclosed for your information.

The subject which, at the recommendation of my Council, I have the honor to bring before you, is one which has for many years past excited a lively interest in the people of this Province. It has also on former occasions been brought under the consideration and engaged the attention of Her Majesty's Government. I shall of course be prepared, if called upon so to do, to lay before you any additional information respecting it which I may be able to afford ; but I do not know that it is necessary for me on this occasion to do more than to express my concurrence in the opinion expressed by my Council, that the construction of a Railway, on British Territory, connecting Canada, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, would be productive of great and lasting benefits to each of the Colonies, and to British North America in general.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

J. H. T. MANNERS-SUTTON.

Right Honorable H. Labouchere, M. P., Colonial Office.