THE EARL OF CARNARVON TO THE EARL OF PUFFERIN.

Downing Street, 9th March, 1876.

My LORD,-

I have the honor to transmit to you a copy of a letter which has been addressed to me by the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, enclosing with other papers a petition to the Queen from the Legislative Assembly of the Province, praying Her Majesty to cause the Dominion Government to be immediately moved to carry out the terms of the settlement effected through my intervention in 1874, with regard to the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

I also transmit to you copies of two previous letters from the Lieutenant-Governor, enclosing copies of the Minutes of the Executive Council of the Province, dated respectively the 6th December, 1875, and 4th January, 1876, to which reference is made in the 17th paragraph of the petition.

I shall be glad to receive the observations of your Ministers on the whole question, and I shall be obliged by your informing the Lieutenant-Governor that his letter and the petition of the Legislative Assembly of the Province have been received by me, and that I am in communication with the Government of the Dominion on the subject.

I have, etc.,

(Signed,)

CARNARYON.

Gov.-Genl.,

The Rt. Hon.,

The Earl of Dufferin,

K. P., K. C. B.

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Cony of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 22nd April, 1876.

The Committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration the Despatch from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies to your Excellency of the 9th March