

P A P E R S

RELATING TO

The CONFERENCES which have taken place between HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT and a DEPUTATION from the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of CANADA appointed to confer with HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT on SUBJECTS of IMPORTANCE to the PROVINCE.

Presented to both Houses of Parliament by Command of Her Majesty.
19th June 1865.

No. 1.

COPY of a DESPATCH from GOVERNOR GENERAL VISCOUNT MONCK to the Right Honourable
EDWARD CARDWELL, M.P.

(No. 83.)

SIR,

Quebec, 24th March 1865.

I HAVE the honour to transmit for your information a copy of an approved Minute of the Executive Council of Canada appointing a Deputation from their body who are to proceed to England to confer with Her Majesty's Government on subjects of importance to the Province.

The gentlemen named on the deputation propose leaving by the steamer which sails on the 5th April.

The Right Honourable
Edward Cardwell, M.P.,
&c., &c.

I have, &c.
(Signed) MONCK.

Enclosure in No. 1.

COPY of a REPORT of a COMMITTEE of the Honourable the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, approved by his Excellency the GOVERNOR GENERAL on the 24th March 1865.

THE Committee respectfully recommend that four members of your Excellency's Council do proceed to England to confer with Her Majesty's Government :

- 1st. Upon the proposed Confederation of the British North American Provinces, and the means whereby it can be most speedily effected :
- 2d. Upon the arrangements necessary for the defence of Canada in the event of war arising with the United States, and the extent to which the same should be shared between Great Britain and Canada :
- 3d. Upon the steps to be taken with reference to the Reciprocity Treaty, and the rights conferred by it upon the United States :
- 4th. Upon the arrangements necessary for the settlement of the North-west Territory and Hudson's Bay Company's claims :
- 5th. And generally upon the existing critical state of affairs by which Canada is most seriously affected :

The Committee further recommend that the following Members of Council be named to form the Delegation, viz., Messrs. Macdonald, Cartier, Brown, and Galt.

Certified,
WM. H. LEE, C.E.C.

No. 2.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Honourable EDWARD CARDWELL, M.P., to Governor General Viscount MONCK.

(No. 95.)

MY LORD,

Downing Street, 17th June 1865.

I HAVE the honour to inform your Lordship that several conferences have been held between the four Canadian Ministers who were deputed, under the Minute of your Executive Council of March 24th, to proceed to England to confer with Her Majesty's