

Appendix No. 3.

EXTRACT from a Return to an Address of the
Legislative Assembly of the 22d September,
1842, being Copy of a Despatch from Lord
STANLEY to Sir CHARLES BAGOT, dated
2d March, 1842.

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DOWNING STREET,

2d March, 1842.

SIR,

In the anxious consideration which it has been the duty of Her Majesty's Government to give to the important and complicated question of the importation of Corn into this Country, they have of course, not overlooked the interest which is felt in this question by the Province of Canada, and which has been expressed in Memorials from the Legislative Body, and from other parties, addressed to Her Majesty and to the Legislature of this Country. And although in present circumstances, Her Majesty's Government have not felt themselves justified in recommending to Parliament a compliance with the general request of the various memorialists, that Canadian Corn and Flour should be imported, at a nominal duty, into the United Kingdom, I trust that the steps which we have taken, and the grounds upon which we have declined to advance further in the same direction, will convince the people of Canada, that the course which we have pursued has been dictated by no unfriendly feeling towards the interests of Canada, and especially of Canadian Agriculture.

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