

The office of Attorney General East is to be vacated by raising Mr. Smith to the Bench.

2nd Upon Mr. Caron, and his friends, taking the offices proposed, the seventh office is to be placed at the disposal of His Excellency, to be filled with the advice of the other six Councillors.

3rd By Mr. Caron, to whom Mr. Papineau's letter is addressed.

4th The offer which has been made through Mr. Papineau to Mr. Caron and his friends, is based upon the invitation made to the French Canadians by the Governor General, which contained no exception.

5th *Yes*.—The present arrangement contemplates that the Speaker of the Legislative Council should be a Member of the Government.

6th It is contemplated that the Executive office to be taken by Mr. Caron, should be held in conjunction with the Speakership.

7th A reply to this question is waived pending the present negotiations.

These replies having been sent to Mr. Caron by Mr. Cayley, it was arranged that there should be another interview between them on the following morning.

This second interview took place accordingly. Mr. Caron ascertained that Mr. Cayley had nothing to add to or alter in the replies given by him on the previous day.

Mr. Caron drew up after this interview the narrative of what had passed between Mr. Cayley and him ; this narrative was approved by Mr. Cayley, and is that which precedes.

At a final interview which took place on the morning of the 9th April, Mr. Cayley having pressed for an early decision upon considerations of a Public Character, it was observed by Mr. Caron that some difficulties might be found to exist from the fact that according to the terms of the proposition, no nomination to the seventh seat would be made until the Gentlemen representing the French Canadian interests had taken office, thus committing them to a selection in which possibly they might not concur.

In reply to which Mr. Cayley remarked that no difficulty of this kind had been raised by his Colleagues or himself in the invitation made to Mr. Caron to name to certain offices, but that he begged Mr. Caron to observe that although the invitation was final on the part of the Members of the Government, Mr. Caron and his friends were not precluded from making a counter proposition which in their opinion would attain the object pointed out in His Excellency's Memorandum.

[*Translation.*]

*Montreal, 9th April, 1847.*

SIR,

I thought of leaving to-night, but have been unable to do so ; the delay has furnished me with time and the opportunity of consulting with persons to a greater extent than I had before done, engaged as I have been since my arrival in this City.

Striving, as I this morning told you I was, to arrive at a conclusion the soonest possible, I have to tell you that in a very short time I should be able to give you an answer upon the business in which we have been engaged these few days past, if you could tell me by a *Yes* or a *No* whether the elevation of Mr. Smith