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EXTRACT of a DESPATCH from the EARL of ELGIN to EARL GREY, dated Montreal, March 26, 1847.

In the Civil List Bill which awaits Her Majesty's decision, the two situations of Civil and Private Secretary are merged in the new office of Governor's Secretary, the salary of which is fixed at 750*l.* a year.

Lord Cathcart, I observe, protests againsts this provision in the Bill. It would appear from the terms of his despatch that he considers the spirit which suggested it to be so objectionable as to warrant the disallowance of the whole measure.

I do not find that this opinion is shared by any member of the provincial administration whom I have consulted, except Mr. Daly; and, I confess, that I am disposed, as at present advised, to dissent from it.