

enter upon any part of said land for carrying on any such Mining operations as to the said Company may be deemed desirable, by which such land is rendered unsaleable, to the very great injury of the Petitioner: The Petitioner also affirms that during the past year he concluded a bargain, by which, on consideration of receiving \$12,000, he agreed to convey 300 acres of his land, but on examining the provisions of the aforesaid Incorporation Act, the purchasers declined to conclude the bargain upon any terms. The truth of the statement made by the Petitioner is certified to by John Lewis and Isaac Gross, Esquires, two Justices of the Peace of the County, and is entitled to credence.

“The Duffy lease above referred to, is of date 31st January 1851, to run 25 years, subject then to renewals at option of Crown, or in case of refusal to renew, the Government shall pay lessees for improvements. The present operations of the Albert Mining Company are on lands which are owned by the Company; and no necessity has yet arisen for making available the privilege of the eighth Section of the Act alluded to, so far as authorizes the occupation and use of the private property of this Petitioner.

“The Committee can clearly perceive how the pecuniary interests of the Petitioner may be injured by the past legislation, which, in its present application, is so exceptional in this Province.

“The Committee are not prepared at present to recommend any alteration or repeal of the Act of Incorporation, but refer the Petitioner to the Executive Government for pecuniary remuneration, and recommend for him a favourable consideration of the case.

“Respectfully submitted.

A. R. McCLELAN,  
HIRAM DOW,  
D. MUNRO.

*Committee Room, 8th April, 1864.”*

*Ordered, That the Report be accepted.*

The Honorable Mr. Johnson, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with an Address of this House of yesterday, for the appointment of a Delegation to meet Delegations from the Governments of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, on the subject of a union of the three Provinces, reported—That they had attended thereto, and His Excellency was pleased to make the following reply:—

“I receive this Address with the utmost satisfaction, and trust that the Delegates whom, in conformity with the wishes therein expressed, I shall immediately proceed to appoint, will be enabled to devise satisfactory means for accomplishing the object with reference to which it will be their duty to deliberate.”

#### A Message from the Legislative Council.

Mr. Dibblee informed the House that the Council had agreed to—

The Bill to establish the Shire Town of the County of King's County, and to provide for the procuring a site for and the erection of Public Buildings in the Parish of Sussex within the same: and

The Bill to incorporate the Vernon Mining and Smelting Company;  
Without making any amendments thereto.

And that they had also agreed to—

The Bill to amend an Act to alter and amend Chapter 22, Title iii, of the Revised Statutes, ‘Of Sick and Disabled Seamen:’ and