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J. Ramsay.

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Charles McClure. William Peacock. H. E. Newton.

- No. 7. -

(No. 26.)

Copy of a DESPATCH from Governor Seymour to the Right Honourable the Earl Granville, K.G.

> Victoria, 4 March 1869. (Received 24 April 1869.)

No. 45, of 14 May 1868, page 13. No. 74, of 28 July 1868, page 14. No. 125, of 30 Nov. 1868, page 16.

No. 7. Governor Seymour

to the Right Hon.

the Earl Granville,

4 March 1869.

K.G.

My Lord, (Answered, No. 30, 6 May 1869, page 29.) WITH reference to my Despatches noted in the margin respecting the possibility of the union of this Colony with the Dominion of Canada, I have now the honour to forward copy of a Resolution passed by the Legislative Council on 17th February antagonistic to the immediate consummation of such a measure.

> I have, &c. (signed)

Frederick Seymour.

Resolution. 1869.

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RESOLUTION of Legislative Council, of 17 February 1869.

Resolved, "That this Council impressed with the conviction that, under existing circumstances, the confederation of this Colony with the Dominion of Canada would be undesirable, even if practicable, urges Her Majesty's Government not to take any decisive steps towards the present consummation of such union."

(signed)

William A. G. Young, Presiding Member.

## Despatches from the Secretary of State.

- No. 1. -

(No. 87.)

Duke of Bucking-

ham and Chandos to Governor Seymour.

His Grace the

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Copy of a DESPATCH from his Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos to Governor Seymour.

Downing-street, 19 November 1867.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your two Despatches, No. 126,\* and Separate, † of the 24th September, the first inclosing copy of a resolution passed by the Legislative Council in favour of negotiations being entered into for the union of British Columbia with the Eastern Provinces of North America; the second containing your remarks upon the subject.

Whatever might be the advantages which in course of time might result from the union of British North America under one government, it appears to me that the consideration of that question must at all events await the time when the intervening territory now under the control of the Hudson Bay Company shall have been incorporated with the Confederation.

I have, &c.

Buckingham and Chandos. (signed)