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Viscount MONCK to the Duke of BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.

(No. 28.) Government House, Ottawa, February 27, 1868.
My Lord DUKE, (Received March 12, 1868.)

I HAVE the honour to transmit herewith, for your Grace's information, a copy of a Despatch from the Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, dated 13th February, covering a copy of a series of Resolutions * adopted by the Legislative Assembly of that Province, advocating the repeal, so far as it concerns Nova Scotia, of the "British North American Act, 1867;" and a copy of another Despatch of the same date, covering a copy of an approved Order of the Executive Council of Nova Scotia, authorizing the mission of the Honourable Joseph Howe to convey to Her Majesty's Government the Address of the Assembly.

I have, &c.
(Signed) MONCK.

His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos,
&c. &c. &c.

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Lieutenant-Governor DOYLE to the SECRETARY OF STATE for the Provinces.

Sir, Halifax, Nova Scotia, February 13, 1868.
I HAVE the honour to enclose, for the information of his Excellency the Governor-General, a copy of some Resolutions advocating a repeal of the provisions of "The British North American Act, 1867," (as far as it concerns the Province of Nova Scotia,) which have been introduced into the House of Assembly by the Attorney-General, and which have been to-day adopted by the House.

I have, &c.
(Signed) HASTINGS DOYLE.

The Hon. the Secretary of State for the Provinces,

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Lieutenant-Governor DOYLE to the SECRETARY OF STATE for the Provinces.

Sir, Halifax, Nova Scotia, February 13, 1868.
I HAVE the honour to transmit to you, for the information of his Excellency the Governor-General, a copy of a Minute of Council this day submitted to me, and of which I approved. I have not been furnished with a copy of the petition therein referred to, nor has it ever been published.

I have, &c.
(Signed) HASTINGS DOYLE.

The Hon. the Secretary of State for the Provinces,
&c. &c. &c.

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MINUTE OF COUNCIL.

THE Provincial Secretary having laid before the Council petitions to both Houses of the Imperial Parliament, signed by sixteen members of the House of Commons of Canada and by thirty-six members of the House of Assembly of this Province, praying that Nova Scotia may be relieved from the operation of the "Act for the Union of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick;"

It is ordered, that the Honourable Joseph Howe be requested to proceed to England, by the next mail steamer, to make arrangements for the presentation of the said petition, and that he be instructed to co-operate with such gentlemen as may be hereafter charged to convey to Her Majesty's Government copies of the Resolutions and Address upon the same subject now under the consideration of the Provincial Parliament.

* The Resolutions, as ultimately passed, will be found at page 5.