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" It becomes necessary also to represent to your Excellency, with respect to many of those schemes of commutation, prepared with great care and consideration, that they are dependent for their value and soundness upon accurate statistical information and details, the attainment of which, however, for the want of compulsory powers and authority, we must confess we deem a fruitless task.

" All which is respectfully submitted, by your Excellency's

" Most obedient humble servants,

(signed) " *A. Buchanan.*  
 " *J. A. Taschereau.*  
 " *James Smith.*"

**CANADA TENURES ACT.**

EXTRACTS of any CORRESPONDENCE of the Governor-General of *Canada* and the Colonial-Office, respecting the Repeal of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, intituled, "THE CANADA TENURES ACT," since the Year 1837.

No correspondence has taken place between the Governor-General of Canada and the Colonial-Office, respecting the repeal of the Canada Tenures Act since the year 1837.

**COPYRIGHT ACT.**

EXTRACTS of CORRESPONDENCE relative to the Effect of the BRITISH COPYRIGHT ACT, and the Policy of excluding from the Province American Reprints of British Publications.

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COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. Sir *C. T. Metcalfe*, Bart. G.C.B. to Lord *Stanley*.

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 Right Hon. Sir  
*C. T. Metcalfe* to  
 Lord *Stanley*,  
 18 Nov. 1843.

My Lord,

Government House, Kingston,  
 18 November 1843.

I HAVE the honour to submit an Address to Her Majesty from the Legislative Assembly of this Province, relating to the importation of foreign, and especially of French, works into this Province; which I beg leave to recommend to your Lordship's favourable consideration.

I have, &c.  
 (signed) *C. T. Metcalfe.*

TO the QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of Canada in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly beg leave to represent,

That the advancement of useful knowledge is of such primary importance as to merit the attention of every government, but more especially of any government conducted on the principles of the British Constitution:

That to promote this invaluable object, one of the most efficacious means is to facilitate the introduction of the best works of useful information at the least possible expense:

That, without now calling in question the wisdom of those regulations by which the importation of reprints of copyright works published in the United Kingdom is prohibited,