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SCOTIA.

The Delegates to be empowered to press the prayer of the said Petition and Address in such manner as in their judgment may best comport with the interests and feelings of the people of Nova Scotia.

Ordered, That the Honourable the Treasurer be authorized to make provision for the expenses of this service, and to report to the Council.

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Viscount MONCK to his Grace the Duke of BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.

(No. 41.)
MY LORD DUKE,

Ottawa, March 14, 1868.

(Received April 1, 1868.)

I HAVE the honour to transmit, for your Grace's information, copies of a Despatch which I have received from the Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, with certain Resolutions adopted by the Legislative Assembly of that Province on the subject of the "British North American Act" of 1867.

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 27, 1868.

I THINK it my duty to state, for the information of his Excellency the Governor-General, that, for the purpose of giving effect to the Resolutions of the House of Assembly, of which a copy is enclosed,* a delegation leaves this city for England to-morrow, composed of the following gentlemen: Hon. William Annand, M.L.C., Member of the Executive Council; Hon. J. C. Troop, M.P.P., ditto; Mr. W. H. Smith, M.P.P.

With these gentlemen the Hon. Joseph Howe, who sailed for England a fortnight ago, will be associated on their arrival in London.

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

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

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RESOLUTIONS.

In the House of Assembly, February 25, 1868.

Resolved—That the delegates so to be appointed are to urge upon the attention of the British Government and the Imperial Parliament the strong feelings of this House and the people of Nova Scotia upon the question of Confederation; that they are to ask for the restoration of the constitution of this country as it existed previous to the passage of the "British North America Act;" that they are not to accept any alteration of or amendment to such Act, and that they are hereby authorized, if necessary, to retain counsel learned in the law to plead the claims of Nova Scotia at the bar of the House of Commons, and to take all such necessary steps for carrying out the Resolutions of this House as may be deemed advisable.

(Signed) H. D. TWINING,
Clerk of House of Assembly.

In the House of Assembly, February 25, 1868.

Resolved—That his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in Council be authorized to appoint delegates charged with the Resolutions passed by this House on the 21st February instant in respect to the constitutional rights and privileges of the people of this Province.

(Signed) H. D. TWINING,
Clerk of House of Assembly.

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