

my Lords that the subject can only be satisfactorily disposed of by some conjoint arrangement of the Legislatures of the Canadian Provinces, on the basis contemplated by the Act 4th and 5th Wm., 4th ch. 7, and that my Lords cannot doubt but that the early attention of the Earl of Durham will be given to the subject, and they will be fully prepared to enter upon the consideration of any measures that may be proposed, for the adoption of the Legislatures of the North American Provinces, in conformity with the principles recognised by that Act.

With respect to the proposition relating to an additional duty of 2½ per cent *ad valorem* on articles imported into the Ports of Lower Canada, I am directed to request that you will further observe to Lord Glenelg that it appears to my Lords, that any such measure ought likewise to be the subject of mutual arrangement between the Legislatures of the Canadian Provinces, and they would suggest that the address should be referred for the consideration of the Earl of Durham.

I am &c.

(Signed.)

A. Y. SPEARMAN.

JOSEPH STEPHEN, Esq.
&c. &c. &c.

GEORGE ARTHUR.

The Lieutenant Governor transmits for the information of the House of Assembly, Copies of Ten Despatches received by him from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, containing the answers of Her Most Gracious Majesty, to the several addresses of the House to Her Majesty, during the last Session, referred to in the annexed Schedule.

Government House,
11th March, 1839.

SCHEDULE of Despatches from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, containing the answers of Her Majesty to the several separate addresses from the House of Assembly to Her Majesty during the Session of 1837-8, referred to in the Lieutenant Governor's Message to the House, of the 11th of March 1839.

No. & Date of Despatch	DATE AND	SUBJECT OF ADDRESS.
	1838	1839
30 2 March,	1 Jan'y.	Condolence on the demise of His late Majesty.
73 25 May,)	25 Feb'y.	On the state of the Canadian Provinces.
74 25 May,)	27 Feb'y.	Requesting the repeal of the Imperial Act 4, Geo. 3, relative to Paper
111 17 July,)		Bills of Credit.
75 25 May,	28 Feb'y.	Requesting that the charge now borne on the Casual and Territorial
		Revenue for religious purposes, be transferred to the fund arising
		out of the Sales and Rents of the Clergy Reserves.
76 25 May,)	27 Feb'y.	Prays for consideration by the Lords of the Committee of Trade, of
137 31 Aug't.)		the opinions expressed by them on the 2nd May 1837, relative to
		the Trade and Commerce of Upper Canada.
77 25 May,	26 Feb'y.	Prays that Her Majesty would recommend to Parliament the passing
		of an act to determine the division between Upper and Lower
		Canada, of the duties arising from Imports at Quebec.
85 31 May,	15 Feb'y.	Respecting the late attempts of American Citizens to invade the
		Canadas.
107 30 June,	26 Feb'y.	Respecting the funding in Provincial Debentures of all monies raised
		within the Province from the sale of Crown Lands—Clergy
		Reserves—Indian lands—or any other source—which may now
		be invested in the British Funds.

(COPY.) No. 39.

Downing Street,
2nd March, 1838.

SIR:

I have had the honor to receive and to lay before the Queen, Sir Francis Head's Despatch No. 6, of the 13th January, forwarding an address to Her Majesty from the House of Assembly of Upper Canada.