

3. It is with regret we learn the melancholy fact of the decease of His Majesty the King of Hanover, the uncle of our Most Gracious Queen.

4. We shall thankfully receive from Your Excellency all papers and other information having reference to the construction of the Halifax and Quebec Railway. We are aware that Canada and Nova Scotia have manifested a desire to accept the aid offered by Her Majesty's Government for the promotion of this great object, and we sincerely trust, that it may be consistent with the interests of New Brunswick cordially to co-operate in so important an undertaking, readily admitting that the best interests of this Province are identified with those of British North America.

5. The House of Assembly will be anxious to learn from the Despatches to be laid before them the grounds for Her Most Gracious Majesty not having yet been advised to assent to the Facility Bill passed the last Session, in aid of the European and North American Railway, and trust these grounds will be removed by the Bill to be introduced by the Government for that purpose.

6. A Railway, uniting Canada, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, especially in connection with a Line to the United States, we believe with Your Excellency, would prove highly beneficial; and we are glad to learn that it is Your Excellency's opinion that it would produce an abundant return, increase the Revenues of the Province without imposing additional burthens on the people, lead to a speedy settlement of large tracts of Wilderness Land, and be the means of opening a profitable market for the productions of the Province.

7. It is no doubt obvious that the introduction of Capital from other Countries, is in this young Province indispensable for the construction of great public works, that the surplus Capital of our own Provincial resources could do little, and therefore to embark in undertakings of this nature, without aid from the Mother Country, would have the effect of withdrawing a large amount of private resources from present employment, and thereby derange and dislocate the ordinary operations of the Country in the manner Your Excellency has pointed out, and although we do not doubt that such an outlay might ultimately prove remunerative, yet in the interval it must lead to much distress and inconvenience.

8. Your Excellency may rest assured, however, that the subject of Railways will receive our best and most attentive consideration, and we sincerely trust that the information contained in the Despatches upon this subject may be such as to enable us to promote that great object, without embarrassing the affairs of the Province.

9. We rejoice to learn that the Disputed Boundary between this Province and Canada is now settled by an Act of the Imperial Parliament, upon what may be considered fair and equitable terms; and we are fully sensible that Your Excellency has done much towards effecting a settlement of this perplexed question.

10. The powerful movement for Law Reform, which has been made in the Mother Country, we trust will be followed in this, as far as is consistent with the state of the Province, and that some measure will be introduced the present Session for the accomplishment of that important object, either immediately or prospectively.

11. A general revision of the Laws, with a view to their simplification and improvement, we readily admit to be of essential importance to the people of the Province, and any measure for that purpose will receive our best consideration.

12. We are glad to find that a Bill for the regulation of Parish Schools is to be submitted, and we beg to assure Your Excellency that it will receive from us that attention the importance of the subject so imperatively requires.

13. The assumption by the Province of the Post Office Department we trust will be productive of all the convenience and good which were anticipated, and that the falling off in the amount of receipts consequent on a reduction of Postage, will be amply compensated by the increased facilities for correspondence, and the moral and commercial advantages arising therefrom.