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DRAFT OF A COMMISSION appointing  
Viscount Monck Governor-General of  
Canada.

## CANADA.

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DRAFT OF A COMMISSION to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, appointing Viscount Monck to be Governor-General of Canada, on and after the First day of July, 1867.

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*Letters-Patent,*

*Dated*

, 1867.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, to Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Cousin, Charles Stanley Viscount Monck, Greeting :

Governor Viscount Monck's Commissions, 2d November, 1861, cited.

1. Whereas We did, by divers Letters-Patent under the Great Seal of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing Date severally at Westminster the Second Day of November, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, in the Twenty-fifth Year of Our Reign, Constitute and Appoint you, Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Cousin Charles Stanley Viscount Monck to be, during Our Pleasure, Our Captain-General and Governor-in-chief in and over Our Province of Canada, and in and over the Province of Nova Scotia and its Dependencies, and in and over the Province of New Brunswick, and also Governor-General of all Our Provinces in North America and of the Island of Prince Edward, as by the said several recited Letters-Patent, relation being thereunto had, may more fully and at large appear :

British North America Act, 30 Victoria, cap. 3 (1867).

And Whereas by an Act of Parliament passed in the Thirtieth Year of Our Reign, intituled "The British North America Act, 1867," it is, amongst other things, Enacted that it shall be lawful for Us, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council to Declare by Proclamation that, on and after a Day therein appointed, not being more than

Six Months after the passing of the said Act, the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, shall form and be One Dominion under the Name of Canada; and on and after that Day those Three Provinces shall form and be One Dominion under that Name accordingly, and that Canada shall be Divided into Four Provinces, named Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick:

And Whereas We did on the Twenty-second Day of May, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, Declare by Proclamation that on and after the First Day of July, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, being within Six Months after the passing of the said Act, the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, should form and be One Dominion, under the Name of Canada:

Now know you that We do by these Presents Declare Our Pleasure to be that the said recited Letters-Patent, and every Clause, Article, and Thing therein contained, shall be and they are hereby declared to be Revoked and Determined on the said First Day of July, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven:

And further Know you that We, reposing especial Trust and Confidence in the Prudence, Courage, and Loyalty of you, the said Charles Stanley Viscount Monck, of Our special Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, have thought fit to Constitute and Appoint, and do by these Presents Constitute and Appoint you to be, on and after the said First Day of July, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, during Our Pleasure, Our Governor-General of Canada; and We do hereby Authorize, Empower, Require, and Command you thereafter in due manner to Do and Execute all Things that shall belong to your said Command, and the Trust We have reposed in you, according to the several Powers, Provisions, and Directions granted or appointed you by virtue of this Our Commission, and of the said recited Act of Parliament, and according to such Instructions as are herewith given to you, or which may from time to time hereafter be given to you in respect of the said Dominion of Canada, under Our Sign-Manual and Signet, or by Our Order in Our Privy Council,

Proclamation of Union dated the 22nd of May, 1867. The Union to take effect on the 1st July, 1867.

Revocation of Governor Viscount Monck's Commissions of 2nd November 1861 on the 1st July 1867.

Appointment of Viscount Monck as Governor, on the 1st July 1867.

or by Us through One of Our Principal Secretaries of State, and according to such Laws as are or shall be in force within Our said Dominion.

Great Seal.

II. And We do hereby Authorize and Empower you to keep and use the Great Seal of Canada, for the Sealing of all Things whatsoever that shall Pass the said Seal.

Governor empowered to Appoint Judges and other Officers.

III. And We do further Authorize and Empower you to exercise all such Powers as We may be at any time entitled to exercise in respect of the Constitution and Appointment of Judges, and in cases requisite Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer, Justices of the Peace, and other necessary Officers and Ministers of Our said Dominion of Canada, for the better Administration of Justice, and putting the Laws into Execution.

Power of Suspension of Officers

IV. And We do hereby Give and Grant unto you, so far as We lawfully may, full Power and Authority, upon sufficient cause to you appearing, to Remove from his Office, or to Suspend from the exercise of the same, any Person exercising any Office or Place within our said Dominion, under or by virtue of any Commission or Warrant granted, or which may be granted by Us in Our Name, or under Our Authority.

Power of Pardon.

V. And We do hereby Give and Grant unto you full Power and Authority, when you shall see cause, in Our Name and on Our Behalf to Grant to any Offender Convicted of any Crime in any Court, or before any Judge, Justice, or Magistrate within Our said Dominion, a Pardon, either Free or Subject to Lawful Conditions, or any Respite of the Execution of the Sentence of any such Offender for such period as to you may seem fit and to Remit any Fines, Penalties, or Forfeitures which may become Due and Payable to Us.

Power of Assembling or Proroguing the House of Commons.

VI. And We do hereby Authorize you to Exercise from time to time, as you may judge necessary, all Powers belonging to Us, in respect of Assembling, or Proroguing, the Senate or the House of Commons of Our said Dominion, and of Dissolving the said House of Commons, and We do hereby give the

like Authority to the several Lieutenant-Governors for the time being, of the Four Provinces in Our said Dominion with respect to the Legislative Councils or the Legislative or General Assemblies of those Provinces respectively.

VII. And We do by these Presents Authorize and Empower you, within Our said Dominion, to Exercise all such Powers as We may be entitled to exercise therein in respect of Granting Licenses for Marriages, Letters of Administration, and Probates of Wills, and with respect to the Custody and Management of Idiots and Lunatics, and their Estates; and to Present any Person or Persons to any Churches, Chapels, or other Ecclesiastical Benefices within Our said Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, to which we shall from time to time be entitled to Present.

Power of granting Marriage Licenses and Probates of Wills; Custody of Idiots; Presentations to Ecclesiastical Benefices.

VIII. And Whereas by the said recited Act, it is amongst other things Enacted, that it shall be lawful for us, if We think fit, to Authorize the Governor-General of Canada to Appoint any Person or Persons jointly or severally to be his Deputy or Deputies within any Part or Parts of Canada, and in that capacity to Exercise, during the Pleasure of the Governor-General, such of the Powers, Authorities, and Functions of the Governor-General as he may deem it necessary or expedient to assign to him or them, subject to any Limitations or Directions from time to time expressed or given by Us: Now We do hereby Authorize and Empower you, subject to such Limitations and Directions as aforesaid, to appoint any Person or Persons, jointly or severally, to be your Deputy or Deputies within any Part or Parts of our Dominion of Canada, and in that capacity to Exercise, during your Pleasure, such of your Powers, Functions, and Authorities as you may deem it necessary or expedient to assign to him or them: Provided always, that the Appointment of such a Deputy or Deputies shall not affect the Exercise of any such Power, Authority, or Function by you, the said Charles Stanley Viscount Monck, in person.

Power to appoint Deputies.

IX. And in case of your Death, Incapacity, or Absence out of Our said Dominion of Canada, We

Temporary Administration of the  
Government.

do by these Presents Give and Grant all and singular the Powers and Authorities herein to you granted to Our Lieutenant-Governor for the time being of Our said Dominion of Canada, or in the Absence of any such Lieutenant-Governor to such Person as We may by Warrant under Our Sign-Manual and Signet appoint to be the Administrator of the Government of Our said Dominion, or in the Absence of any such Lieutenant-Governor or Person as aforesaid to the Senior Military Officer for the time being in Command of Our Regular Forces in Our said Dominion, such Powers and Authorities to be by him Executed and Enjoyed during Our Pleasure.

Officers and Others to obey and  
assist the Governor:

X. And We do hereby Require and Command all Our Officers and Ministers, Civil and Military, and all other the Inhabitants of Our said Dominion of Canada, to be Obedient, Aiding, and Assisting unto you in the Execution of this Our Commission, and of the Powers and Authorities herein contained.

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