

APPENDIX.

(See Debates, May 22nd.)

Hon. Mr. TILLEY, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, laid before the House the following message:

"HASTINGS DOYLE.

His Excellency the Administrator of the Government lays before the House of Assembly a copy of the Report of the Delegates appointed to confer with the Imperial Government, and the Government of Canada and Nova Scotia, with regard to the Union of British North America.

May 22nd, 1867.

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DELEGATION TO ENGLAND.

REPORT

OF THE

DELEGATION TO ENGLAND,

TO ARRANGE FOR A

UNION OF THE BRITISH NORTH AMERICAN PROVINCES.

FREDERICTON, N. B., }
8th MAY, 1867. }

May it please Your Excellency,

The undersigned Delegates, appointed by the Lieutenant Governor to arrange with Her Majesty's Government a Scheme of Union for the British North American Provinces, with the exception of the Hon. P. Mitchell and the Hon. J. M. Johnson, who sailed some days later, reached Liverpool on the 28th July last, in company with the Delegates from Nova Scotia, and immediately transmitted the following telegram to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies:

"Can Your Lordship favor Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Delegates with a brief interview on Monday next; and if so, at what hour?"

(Signed)

CHARLES TUPPER,
S. L. TILLEY."

The same day the following reply was received:

"Lord Carnarvon will be most happy to receive the Delegates from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick on Monday next, at three P. M."

In accordance with this intimation, the Delegates from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick waited upon His Lordship at the Colonial Office, and explained fully the position of the Confederation question, and expressed the hope that the Delegates from Canada, when they found that the Delegates from the Maritime Provinces had proceeded to London, would follow them by the Canadian steamer of the 21st, and that they would soon arrive. Lord Carnarvon expressed the desire of Her Majesty's Government to promote the object of the mission, and said he would telegraph at once to Canada by the Cable.

On the 31st July the following note was received from Lord Carnarvon's Private Secretary:

JULY 31st, 1866.

SIR,—I am directed by Lord Carnarvon to inform you, that immediately after your interview of yesterday, he telegraphed to the Officer Administering Canada, enquiring whether the Delegates from that Province had already started for Europe. No answer has yet been received, and owing to the intermission in the wire between Newfoundland and the main land, no immediate answer can be counted on.

"As furthermore the Canadian Delegates have not yet been reported by telegram as having passed Londonderry, we cannot in any event expect to see them in London before the end of this week.

"Under these circumstances, Lord Carnarvon, after much consideration, finds it impossible to hold out any hope of proposing any measure to Parliament during the very short remnant of the Session.