with me: & Lucas Hays
this is correct as I
could not

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Halifax — 19th July
1866

My dear Mr Cardwell.

I am right sorry
those Yankees my Chief
Lieut Fletcher Jones has taken
ill with Enteric long one:
and that you will be
again at the Colonial

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this is consoling, as of
course I could not



helon to guide future
Governors: I need not
say that duties under
You have been rendered
as pleasant and
satisfactory as any
I ever passed in my
long and e Required
career: and to you
[illegible] will accrue

the honor of our
Confederation: and
from what I recently
told You, I am sure
You will see, in any
procrastination — a
great danger.
The delegates go home
today. & from Nova Scotia

and as many from
New Brunswick: and
although an excellent
friend Monck thinks
it premature, I fully
coincide with the opinions
of all the Delegates, and
hope Canada will send
hers by the very next
Steamer from New York

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Ir. James Hope discussed
the matter of their departure
with me, yesterday:
and begged me to go,
with him and Monck
that he fully agreed
with me: & also said:
this in confidence as I
could not

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Sec W. Cardwell

I gathered yesterday

stop men, who can
do no harm: but may
effect a great purpose?
If March comes without
Confederation, the game
is up for them: for the
Yankee & Irish element
are handled here by
Howe although he is
in England! and

his presence in London
without, a check on his
intriguers by the Delegates,
cannot but alarm
them & their friends?
The Delegates consist
of Messrs. Tupper; Henry;
J. Ritchie; Archibald &
McCully. and I am
about to telegraph to



W. Cardwell

I gathered yesterday

Lord Monck their departure
Shope the Canadians
will follow instanter,
as; once in London, the
Bill can be discussed
& framed by the Cabinet
& Delegates, & be ready
for Parliament whether
it meet in Autumn or Winter
always faithfully yours
J Williams

and as many from