

# Preliminary Proposal

Conditions for joining Confederation (what do you want?)	Justification (explain why you should get this & how might others benefit from it)
1. More reliable military	Aside from simply benefiting Newfoundland, confederating will also benefit each province, for they will be able to rely on other nearby provinces for military support and will always feel safe.
2. Expand economy “We do not mean to assert that we should adopt a change blindly, but unlike our Sister Colonies, our circumstances-the condition of our Trade-the depressed state of our people,demand a change...”(St.John’s Newfoundlander)	Expanding the fishing industry will insure Newfoundland will not fall into further debt. Also, other provinces will benefit from receiving fresh goods.
3. Provincial governments “This Federal scheme is an after-thought of the Canadians.”	A major concern for Newfoundland is trusting the unreliable government. Due to the fact that our province is much smaller compared to Canada West, Newfoundland cannot insure that the federal government will be over taxing our province.
4. Large navy	Another concern we have is the tension between Canada and France, and a potential for France to take over our land. This fear could also affect other provinces, for they may be attacked as well. Therefore, if Newfoundland is able to join Confederation, a large navy will be able to be created to protect all provinces from the attacks of France.
5. Equal representation	In comparison to Canada West, Newfoundland contains a much smaller population. Therefore, representation by population will always become a disadvantage for our land. We are striving for equal representation, so our issues will be heard and treated with equal attention.