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## EMIGRATION.

RETURN TO AN ADDRESS OF THE HONORABLE THE HOUSE OF COMMONS,  
Dated 6th October, 1841,

For Returns of Emigration from the United Kingdom, during the Year 1840, and during the first two Quarters of 1841.

*A Return of the Number of Emigrants who have Embarked from the various Ports of the United Kingdom during the Year 1840.*

	North American Colonies.	United States.	Other parts of America.	West Indies.	Cape of Good Hope and Africa.	Australian Colonies and New Zealand.	GRAND TOTAL.
ENGLAND, - -	5,305	35,309	44	745	315	14,495	56,213
SCOTLAND, - -	3,053	1,246	0	687	8	817	5,811
IRELAND, - -	23,935	4,087	0	159	0	538	28,719
Total, - -	32,293	40,642	44	1,591	323	15,850	90,743

Office of Colonial Lands and Emigration, }  
5th October, 1841.

JOHN WALPOLE,  
Assistant Secretary.

*A Return of the Number of Emigrants embarked from various Ports of the United Kingdom during the Quarter ended 5th April, 1841.*

	North American Colonies.	United States.	Other parts of America.	West Indies.	Cape Good Hope and Africa.	Mauritius.	Austral. Colonies and New Zealand.	GRAND TOTAL.
ENGLAND,	874	7,498	21	580	35	10	3,501	12,519
SCOTLAND,	347	148	0	149	0	0	624	1,268
IRELAND,	2,371	1,121	0	3	0	0	253	3,748
Total,	3,592	8,767	21	732	35	10	4,378	17,535

Office of Colonial Lands and Emigration, }  
5th October, 1841.

JOHN WALPOLE,  
Assistant Secretary.

*A Return of the Number of Emigrants Embarked from the several Ports of the United Kingdom during the Quarter ended 5th July, 1841.*

	N. A. Colonies.	United States.	Other parts of America.	West Indies.	Cape of Good Hope and Africa.	Mauritius.	Australian Colonies and New Zealand.	GRAND TOTAL.
ENGLAND,	5,619	17,638	62	194	74	11	7,849	31,447
SCOTLAND,	4,078	1,164	0	53	0	0	1,233	6,528
IRELAND,	20,403	2,385	0	4	0	0	1,092	23,884
Total,	30,100	21,187	62	251	74	11	10,174	61,859

Office of Colonial Lands and Emigration, }  
5th October, 1841.

JOHN WALPOLE,  
Assistant Secretary.

## CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND COMMERCE IN CANADA.

—No. 1.—

(No. 344.)

Copy of a Despatch from Lord John Russell to Lord Sydenham.

Downing Street, 26th March, 1841.

MY LORD,

I transmit for your Lordship's information the copy of a memorial addressed to me by the three companies in this country, who have been incorporated for the settlement of Lands in Canada, and by several other persons "having an interest in the prosperity of Canada," suggesting a plan for the advancement of Agriculture and Commerce, and for the completion of public works in that Province. Having entered into personal communication with the memorialists, I am able to explain more distinctly than the memorial itself has explained, the precise nature of the measures they contemplate. I understand them to be as follows:—

The memorialists, amongst whom are some persons of considerable wealth and commercial eminence, propose to raise and to advance as a loan large sums of money, to be applied, first, to the improvement of the navigation of the St. Lawrence, and to other similar works; and in the next place in the introduction of Emigrants into Canada and their settlement there. I do not understand them to ask for themselves any participation in the actual execution of the works in question, or any voice in deciding as to the manner in which they should be effected. They would, as I apprehend, stipulate merely that due provision should be made by law for the completion of these undertakings, with the best practicable guarantees for the skill and promptitude with which they

should be carried on and superintended. As a security for the repayment of their advances, the memorialists look to the land revenue of Canada. For this purpose they propose that there should be some important changes in the law.

First. It is represented, that the land revenue of Canada could not be made an available security for money, unless the law should determine the general principles and rules according to which the land itself should be alienated to purchasers, and managed while yet unsold. Of the regulations so to be established, precedents would, it is said, be found in the statute books of Upper Canada and New Brunswick, which with some variations, might be adapted to the present case. The main object would be to secure a consistent and steady adherence to a system, of which the basis would be the alienation of the lands by sale only, on fair and reasonable terms; the effectual protection and sale of the timber growing on the unsold lands; the management of these duties by competent and trustworthy officers; the superintendence of the proceedings of those officers by the Executive Government upon some plan which would render that superintendence vigilant, prompt and effectual; the annual publication of reports of the proceedings of the land department in such a form as to supply the most complete and exact information, with some security for the punctual appearance of such reports.

Secondly. It is proposed that the law should direct accounts to be kept of the gross and net revenue arising from the sale of lands and timber, separate from the general accounts of the consolidated fund of Canada.

Thirdly. The project supposes that the net land revenue should be pledged by law as a security for the repayment of the principal and interest of the advances to be made for the purposes already mentioned. To this last proposi-

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