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Circular to Supervisors and Commissioners of Roads in the several Counties.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, 18th June, 1846.

SIR,—I am directed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to call your attention to the following Letter and Instructions which have been addressed to the joint Commissioners (David Crocker an experienced Supervisor, and James Davidson a Deputy Surveyor and Supervisor,) who have been appointed to expend the Bye Road Appropriations for the County of Gloucester, in the present year.

In order progressively to acquire the necessary information respecting the Roads throughout the Province, and to introduce a uniform system in the opening and repairing of them, Instructions have been given to the Surveyor General, to furnish the Local Deputy Surveyors with Skeleton Maps of their respective Counties, with the several Parishes delineated thereon, and to instruct them to obtain from the Supervisors and Commissioners, such information, as with their own, may enable them to lay down on the Maps the several Roads, for the information of the Government and the Legislature. You will accordingly, in making your annual Report to the Government, furnish the information required by the Local Surveyor, to enable him to comply with his Instructions.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

JOHN S. SAUNDERS.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, 17th June, 1846.

GENTLEMEN,—The Lieutenant Governor in Council having had under consideration the various Reports made by Supervisors and Commissioners of Roads in the last year, which were laid before the Assembly, and finding it impossible from the want of Maps or Diagrams, as well as from the manner in which the Roads are often described, to ascertain how far in the Appropriations of the last Session, the improvements recommended have been provided for or otherwise, he is desirous in the present year to acquire such information as will enable him readily to ascertain these points.

The Lieutenant Governor is well aware of the difficulty attending the preparation of such Reports, and fully appreciates the great pains which many of the Commissioners and Supervisors have taken in drawing up their Reports with perspicuity, and in furnishing the Maps or Diagrams which accompanied them. In the County of Restigouche, this object has been satisfactorily attained by the appointment for the last two years of an experienced Supervisor with a Deputy Surveyor to the charge of the Bye Roads in that County, and the Lieutenant Governor hopes, on the like principle, that in appointing you to the undivided charge of the Bye Roads in the County of Gloucester, your best attention will be given to carry into effect the General Instructions and Regulations for the due execution of the work, and the preparation of the Reports and plans of the Roads in that County. Abstracts of the Reports of the Commissioners of last year, are herewith transmitted to you, and the Lieutenant Governor requests that you will ascertain and Report how far in the different Appropriations of the past Session the recommendations of the Commissioners have been attended to, and where Appropriations for the opening of new Roads or the erection of Bridges may be urgently required.

As in some cases benefit has been found to attend the co-operation with the Statute Labour Commissioners, the Government Commissioners are again to put themselves in communication with them in each Parish, to obtain through them, information as to the Parish Roads, and their assistance as far as possible in the repair of them. By this means, the complaints often made of the conflicting operations of these Commissioners it is hoped will be obviated.

It would also be desirable to communicate with the other Supervisors of Great Roads contiguous to the Bye Roads in order that both Great Roads and Bye Roads may be inserted in the General Plan or Diagram of the County and Parishes, which will be furnished from the Surveyor General's Office, to the Local Deputy Surveyor, describing them by a number to each Bye Road, with reference to a Schedule, so that their position in the Map may be recognized on inspection; the length of the Roads to be also stated in miles on the Schedule, and a scale of miles laid down on the Map.

Recognizing the responsibility of the Commissioners for the due performance of their duties according to Law, the Lieutenant Governor is desirous, on account of the distress prevailing in the Agricultural Districts in the present year, that employment should be given to the people in the Settlements contiguous to the Roads, so far as may be consistent with the interests of the public, in the due execution of the work. His Excellency also desires that it should be stated in the Reports to what extent the Statute Labour, when effectively applied, may be adequate to keep the Roads which are already opened, in proper repair, without Grants of money from the Legislature.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

JOHN S. SAUNDERS.

David Crocker and James Davidson, Esquires, Miramichi.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, That all Reserves of Crown Lands for the supply of Saw Mills, heretofore made, are to cease and be determined from the first day of May next, (1846,) and to be dealt with as other Crown Lands, but Lands held or applied for, for the supply of Mills entitled to Reserves under the provisions of the Act recently passed, intituled "An Act to authorize the

granting of Mill Reserves in certain cases," will be reserved for the present, subject to such Orders regarding the same, as may be made by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in Council hereafter.

By His Excellency's Command.

JOHN S. SAUNDERS.

Secretary's Office, 13th April, 1846.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, That the right of License to cut Timber and Lumber on Crown Lands, with the exception of Lands held or applied for, for the supply of Mills which may be entitled to Reserves under the provisions of the Act recently passed, intituled "An Act to authorize the granting of Mill Reserves in certain cases," will be offered for sale by Public Auction at the Surveyor General's Office, on the undermentioned days, viz:—

Restigouche and Gloucester,	July 1st.
Northumberland and Kent,	" 3d.
Westmorland and Albert,	" 6th.
Saint John and Charlotte,	" 8th.
Kings and Queens,	" 10th.
Sunbury and York,	" 13th.
Carleton,	" 15th.

Not less than 2, nor more than 10 Square Miles in one Berth.

Lists for each County will be published before the 1st day of June, according to the subjoined form.

No.	Former License.	Situation.	Square Miles.
B. 1,500,	John Thompson,	Salmon River,	4.

Sales to commence at 11 o'clock A. M.; upset price, ten shillings per Square Mile. No bid received under three pence per Square Mile advance, and the purchase money to be paid at the instant of sale, or the Berth to be again offered forthwith, excluding any further bids from the defaulter.

Any ground remaining unsold, may be applied for by Petition daily after the 15th of August, for the Sales of which by Auction, due notice will be given.

By His Excellency's Command.

JOHN S. SAUNDERS.

Secretary's Office, 13th April, 1846.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

REGULATIONS for the disposal of Timber and Lumber, under the 5th Section of the Act, 8th Wm. 4, cap. 1:—

1st. After the 15th day of August next, all applications for License of Grounds remaining unsold from the July sales, shall be made by Petition, which shall describe the situation of the ground, and specify the number of Square Miles required by the applicant. No Petition to be for more than ten, nor less than two Square Miles.

2d. One application only to be received at the Surveyor General's Office for the same ground.

3d. Every applicant on filing his Petition, shall deposit with the Receiver General the sum of ten shillings upon each Square Mile applied for, and should the party so depositing become the purchaser at Auction, such deposit shall be applied toward the payment of the purchase money. And in case the ground so applied for, shall not be purchased at the time advertised for the sale thereof, the deposit so made shall be forfeited; and in case some other person than the depositor, shall become the purchaser, and comply with the terms of sale, the amount so deposited shall be forthwith refunded to the party who may have paid the same.

A description Ticket, as heretofore will be given to the purchaser.

4th. All Berths applied for shall, if vacant, be advertised in the Royal Gazette, semi-monthly, and at least fourteen days notice of sale given; and unless the whole of the purchase money be paid by the purchaser to the Receiver General, at the time of the sale, such sale shall be void, and the ground may forthwith be put up again for competition between any other parties, the upset price being in all cases ten shillings per Square Mile.

5th. All Timber, Logs or other Lumber cut upon unlicensed Crown Lands, or which may be cut by any person beyond the limits of his own Berth, shall be seized and forfeited to the use of the Crown, and no Timber or Lumber shall be cut on any Berth applied for, until the Mileage be paid, and the description Ticket issued.

By His Excellency's Command.

JOHN S. SAUNDERS.

Secretary's Office, 13th April, 1846.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, That before any Reserve be made for any Mill under the Act recently passed, intituled "An Act to authorize the granting of Mill Reserves in certain cases," the applicant, at his own expense, shall cause a survey and inspection of such Mill, by some Deputy Surveyor and Seizing Officer, and procure his Report, stating how long such Mill has been in operation, its position, capability, and state of repair, and any other information which may be necessary to enable His Excellency the