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PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.



BY AUTHORITY.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENT.

CHARLES JOHNSTON, Esquire, to be High Sheriff of the City and County of Saint John, in the room of James White, Esquire, resigned.

By His Excellency's Command.

JOHN S. SAUNDERS.

Secretary's Office, 12th May, 1847.

(CIRCULAR.)

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Fredericton, 20th April, 1847.

SIR,—Representations having been made to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor that H. M. Mails have frequently been detained during the past Winter, owing to snow drifts, caused by the fences having been placed on the Roads, their proper width being thereby lessened; and it has also been observed that, in some places, Cordwood, Logs, Ship Timber, and other descriptions of Lumber have been put on the Roads and allowed to remain there, obstructing the Highway; your attention is called to the subject, and I am to instruct you to cause the fences to be removed, in all instances, to the regulated distance as established by Law. The ditches are also to be cleared out with a sufficient slope, and the grades to be so constructed as to allow the water to run off, and not lodge, as at present, in the ditches, to the great injury of the Roads. All stones and other materials you will cause to be removed to a sufficient distance to prevent them from again falling in, and the Roads and ditches to be cleared from wind-falls and rubbish, and Cordwood and Lumber of all kinds to be removed.

I am also directed to state to you, that as the Roads have been constructed at great expense for the public accommodation, you will be held responsible for any neglect of these instructions.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

your most obedient servant,

(Signed)

JOHN S. SAUNDERS.

To the respective Supervisors of Great Roads throughout the Province.

(Copy)

Downing Street, April 8, 1847.

SIR,—I transmit to you two copies of the enclosed printed papers, relating to the System of Irrigation in the Lombardo-Venetian Provinces, a subject of extreme importance to most of our Colonial Possessions.

I have to desire that you will circulate within the Colony under your Government, the information contained in these papers, and that you will give such encouragement as you may after mature consideration think fit, to the introduction into the Colony of a System of Irrigation, founded, as far as local circumstances may permit, upon the principles adopted in the Lombardo-Venetian Provinces.

(Signed)

I have, &c.

GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir W. Colebrooke.

IRRIGATION IN THE LOMBARDO-VENETIAN PROVINCES.

Consul-General Dawkins to Viscount Palmerston.—
(Received March 2.)

(No 15.)

MILAN, February 22, 1847.

MY LORD,—In compliance with the instructions contained in your Lordship's despatch No. 5 of last year, I have now the honour to transmit to your Lordship such information as I have been able to procure in regard to the system of irrigation and drainage in this country.

The accompanying papers contain:—1. A translation of a memorandum which I have obtained through the Government here, in answer to the queries inclosed in Lord Ebrington's letter to your Lordship of November last. 2. A translation of the law by which the drainage of marsh lands is regulated in these provinces. And, 3. A translation of the regulations under which parties are enabled to procure water for irrigation and other agricultural purposes.

In addition to the above I am promised still further information, which I hope shortly to obtain from a gentleman who has devoted great attention to the subject of irrigation; and in the meantime I would beg to refer Lord Ebrington to Dr. Bowring's report on the Lombardo-Venetian Provinces, printed and laid before Parliament in 1837, and which contains many valuable and interesting details.

I have procured and sent to Her Majesty's Embassy at Vienna, in order that they may be forwarded from thence by messenger, copies of those works on irrigation which have been pointed out to me here as containing the most valuable and practical information.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

CLINTON G. DAWKINS.

Inclosure 1.

Paper furnished by the Government of Milan, in answer to the Queries contained in Lord Ebrington's Letter to Lord Palmerston, of November 1846.

(Translation.)

Irrigation being for the improvement of agriculture can be freely introduced, either by proprietors or by tenants, upon the latter coming to an agreement with the proprietors. The Government does not interfere beyond exacting the due observance of the public sanitary regulations, which prohibit permanent irrigation* within a certain distance of towns.

The expenses required for irrigation are at the charge of those concerned.

* Permanent irrigation refers to rice-grounds, which are prohibited within five miles of towns.