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PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.



BY AUTHORITY.

LS By His Excellency Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD,
Baronet, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in
Chief of the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.
EDMUND HEAD.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands
prorogued to the fourth Tuesday in November instant, I
have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly,
and the same is hereby further prorogued to the fourth Thursday in
December next.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Fredericton, the
nineteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and forty nine, and in the
thirteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

J. R. PARTELOW.

A COMMITTEE of the Medical Profession in Saint
John waited upon His Excellency the Lieutenant
Governor on the 11th December instant, and presented
the following Address of the Committee, and Resolutions
adopted at a Meeting of the Faculty on the 6th instant:

To His Excellency Sir Edmund Walker Head, Baronet, Lieutenant
Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of New
Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We, the undersigned, in behalf of a General Meeting of the
Medical Gentlemen of Saint John, convened in that City on the
sixth instant, beg leave most respectfully to submit to Your Excel-
lency, that the Commissioners of the Lunatic Asylum, in their
recent appointment of a Physician to that Institution, have evinced
an entire disregard to the rights of the Medical Profession of this
Province, and have thrown an unmerited imputation and reflection
upon the character and professional qualification of its members,
among whom are to be found many Gentlemen, whose character,
standing, professional qualifications, and experience, fully qualify
them to perform the duties of the office, and whose residence within
the Province gives them a claim paramount to that of a stranger.
They, therefore, humbly pray that Your Excellency may be pleased
to order a new Commission to be formed for the governance of that
Institution.

ROBERT BAYARD, M. D., &c.
WM. LIVINGSTONE, C. M.

December 11, 1849.

RESOLUTIONS

Passed at a Meeting of the Medical Profession in Saint John,
December 6, 1849.

1st—Moved by Dr. HARDING,
Seconded by Dr. TRAVERS,

Resolved, That there are many Medical Gentlemen practising in
various parts of the Province of New Brunswick, who, after regular

courses of study, have obtained satisfactory testimonials of Profes-
sional acquirements and qualifications from established Schools of
Medicine and Surgery.

2nd—Moved by Dr. RUDDOCK,
Seconded by Dr. LIVINGSTONE,

Resolved, That the Lunatic Asylum of this Province was built
and is sustained by Funds obtained from the Public Revenue,
towards which every Practitioner of Medicine in New Brunswick,
as a tax payer, has paid his proportion, and is therefore entitled to
fair consideration in the disposal of Public Offices connected with
his profession.

3rd—Moved by Dr. TRAVERS,
Seconded by Dr. MILLER,

Resolved, That the Medical Gentlemen throughout New Bruns-
wick, have been subjected to unmerited reflection by the recent
proceedings of the Commissioners of the Lunatic Asylum, in their
appointment of a Gentleman from another Province as Physician
to that Establishment; and this Meeting thus publicly records its
protest and just indignation.

4th—Moved by Dr. SAMUEL BAYARD,
Seconded by Dr. WETMORE,

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Lunatic Asylum, as at
present constituted, four of the Gentlemen being Members of the
Legal Profession, and the others Gentlemen of different pursuits,
without any Member of the Medical Faculty associated with them,
are thereby unqualified to superintend the affairs of a Medical
Institution, and that the above Commission is therefore viewed by
this Meeting as an indignity offered to the Physicians and Surgeons
of this Province possessing the confidence of the Public.

5th—Moved by Dr. LIVINGSTONE,
Seconded by Dr. HUNTER PETERS,

Resolved, That the conduct of the Commissioners throughout
the proceedings of the appointment, manifests an undue Executive
influence in the exercise of patronage.

6th—Moved by Dr. FITCH,
Seconded by Dr. SHARPE,

Resolved, That a Committee, consisting of Doctors LIVINGSTONE
and BAYARD, be appointed and requested to proceed immediately
to Fredericton, to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Gover-
nor, and present the foregoing Resolutions; and to draft and present
an Address to His Excellency, praying him to issue a new Com-
mission framed more in accordance with the equal rights of all
departments of society, and thereby better calculated to ensure the
success and extended usefulness of the Institution.

ROBERT BAYARD, M. D., &c.
WM. LIVINGSTONE, C. M.

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To these Resolutions and Address His Excellency re-
turned the following answer:—

I have perused and shall attentively consider the Resolutions
and Address presented by Dr. Bayard and Dr. Livingstone.

I cannot admit that the present Commission is incompetent to
superintend the affairs of the Lunatic Asylum, simply because it
contains no medical man among its members.—Were it expected
that the Commission should regulate the diet and medical treatment
of the patient, there would have been great force in the objection.
—Had the Legislature conceived any such qualification to be ne-
cessary for one or more Members of the Commission, it is presumed
they would have prescribed it in the Act.

With regard to the undue Executive influence which the Memo-
rialists conceive they can trace in the proceedings of the Commis-
sion, I do not admit its existence, and I should very much deprecate
anything of the sort.