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now so loose from the passage of wet through it, as to be unsafe.—Without enumerating more of its defects, I will only add, that it is now in that state when it no longer affords protection to the many records placed within it, and at the same time it endangers the health of its occupants.

From enquiries I have made I am led to believe that a new Building may be erected for £250 added to the proceeds of the existing one.

Ibeg leave to solicit His Excellency's attention to the foregoing facts and most respectfully to request that His Excellency will be pleased to adopt such measures for remedying the evil complained of as His Excellency may think proper.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

JOSEPH NOAD, Surveyor General.

The Hon, James Crowny.

&c. &c. &c.

LETTER FROM MR. RENOUF, LA POILE.

La Poile, Newfoundland, 12th August, 1845.

SIR,—Not having for a long time had an opportunity for St. John's, I now beg to address you, as being the Representative of this part of the country, respecting its very neglected state. It is now nine years since that a Collector of the Customs was sent on this settlement, and a considerable sum has been paid yearly into his hands for duties, and hitherto nothing has been granted us by the House of Assembly. It is true that no application has been made, therefore nothing could be expected; but may I beg to call your attention to our wants, which, was it in the power of the House of Assembly to grant, would be gladly received.

At Burgeo a certain sum has been granted for Roads, but was there a *Beacon* erected on the East point of this Bay, it would greatly tend to facilitate the navigation on this Coast, and would be a guide to any vessel which might wish to harbour in stress of weather. This Beacon would not be expensive; but was ever so little granted, I would endeavour to complete it at my own expense.

I have also commenced a Stone Quay, sixty feet long by sixteen wide, which, when completed, will tend greatly to protect any vessel which may be in the Harbour. Any small sum would be very acceptable to aid the completion of the same.

(Signed),

THOMAS RENOUF,
Agent for Philip Nicolle, Jun.