COPIES or EXTRACTS of any DESPATCHES relative to EMIGRATION to the NORTH AMERICAN COLONIES, in continuation of Papers presented to The House of Commons in July 1849.

## CANADA.

Despatches from Governor-General the Earl of Elgin.

-No. 1. --(No. 76.) COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor the Right Honourable the Earl of Elgin to Earl Grey.

> Government House, Montreal, 20 June 1849. (Received, 11 July 1849).

(Answered, 16 August 1849, No. 411, page 36.)

My Lord, I HAVE the honour to transmit herewith, a copy of a letter from the chief \_ Emigrant Agent, enclosing an affidavit made by two persons, passengers in the "Faithful," Thomas Allen, master, from Limerick, and suggesting that inquiries should be instituted through the proper officer at Limerick, in order to ascertain if this vessel had been cleared at that port, according to law.

> I have, &c. (signed) Elgin & Kincardine.

Enclosure in No. 1.

Emigration Department, Quebec, 19 June 1849.

Sir, I HAVE the honour to transmit you, for the information of his Excellency the Governor- Encl. in No. 1. general, the enclosed affidavit of two persons, who arrived here a few days since, in a schooner, from Matan, who state that they, with 16 other persons, equal to 18 adults, came steerage passengers in a vessel called the "Faithful," Thomas Allen, master, from Limerick, and were landed at Matan, about 200 miles below this port. From their statement, which has been corroborated by five other of the passengers, all who have yet arrived at this port, there would appear to have been some irregularity on the part of the master of this vessel, and it may be deemed advisable that inquiry should be instituted through the proper officer at Limerick, in order to ascertain if this vessel had been cleared

at that port according to law, with those passengers on board. The vessel is now loading at Matan, with a cargo of deals, for London, and may be expected to sail in a few days. The firm she is consigned to here, Messrs. Lemesurier, Tillotson & Co., inform me, that she is of 247 tons burden, and as she would appear to have had 18 adult passengers on board, she comes within the regulations of the Imperial Passenger Act.

The Honourable James Leslie, &c. &c. &c.

I have, &c. (signed) A. C. Buchanan, Chief Agent.

No. 1. Governor the Earl of Elgin to Earl Grey, 20 June 1849.

CANADA.

19 June.

348.

Sub-Enclosure