CANADA COMPANY.

RETURN to an Address of the Honourable The House of Commons, dated 14 May 1840;—for,

COPY of a LETTER, dated the 9th day of January 1840, from the Governor of the Canada Company to Lord John Russell, soliciting the Appropriation of the Sum which now remains due from the Canada Company to the Crown to the Encouragement of Emigration to Upper Canada, and the Answer made thereto on the 18th day of January.

Colonial Office, Downing-street, 20 May 1840.

R. VERNON SMITH.

Ordered, by The House of Commons, to be Printed, 21 May 1840.

Upper Canada Company.

(Copy.)

LETTER from Charles Franks, Esq. to Lord John Russell.

My Lord,

Office of the Canada Company, St. Helen's Place, 9 Jan. 1840.

The situation of affairs in Canada for some time past, and the prospect of future emigration to that colony, occasion the necessity of my bringing under the consideration of your Lordship the engagement of the Canada Company with Government, and the hardship of their position. As Governor of the Company, I am instructed by the directors to submit the following observations:—

That engagement requires the Company to pay to Government, by half-yearly instalments, 348,680 *l*. for the Crown Reserves and 1,000,000 of acres of other waste lands belonging to the Crown.

This Company was established with the view of providing for and giving facilities to emigrants on arriving, and generally to advance the settlement and prosperity of the colony.

The directors can satisfactorily refer to the records of your Lordship's office for evidence from the local authorities of the fidelity with which the Canada Company have hitherto fulfilled their engagements, and of the advantages derived by the inhabitants from the proceedings of the Company. If further proof were required, I might confidently appeal to the loyal feeling displayed by the settlers on the Company's lands during the late attempted insurrection.