

“ stores whatever on board, the Canadian Government having from the very first decided
 “ not to attempt the sending of any such stores, much less of troops, through this canal.
 “ At the request of my Ministers, therefore, I addressed a representation to Her Majesty’s
 “ Minister at Washington, and I am happy to be able to report that the United States
 “ Government has very promptly sent instructions to allow the “Chicora” and vessels of
 “ the same class to pass through the canal.

“ 5. I have placed the services of Lieutenant-Colonel McNeill, V.C., my Military
 “ Secretary, at the disposal of General Lindsay, for the Expedition. He will report fully
 “ to me as occasion offers along the route, and I shall forward his reports to your Lord-
 “ ship for your information.”

No. 14.

The War Office to Lieutenant-General the Honourable James Lindsay.

Sir,

11th June, 1870.

I HAVE laid before Mr. Secretary Cardwell your letter of the 27th ultimo, enclosing copies of a correspondence which had passed between yourself and the Governor-General of Canada, on the subject of sending a Military Expedition to Red River, and detailing the measures which you had taken for organizing and preparing the Expedition.

Mr. Cardwell observes that you have not had time to make the communication to him as to the probable estimate of the expenditure connected with this Expedition, which, as stated in my letter to you of the 5th ultimo,* he would expect to receive by post.

I am, &c.

E. LUGARD.

* No. 9.