

No. 1.
The Right Hon.
Henry Dundas
to
Lord Dorchester,
16th Sept. 1791.

of them Objects to such Persons when the Lands originally granted to them shall have been cultivated.

The Extent of these Reservations, it is conceived, should not be less than that which has been directed to be allotted for the Protestant Clergy; and it is expected that by a judicious Choice such Reservations may ultimately become an Object of considerable Importance in the Way I have mentioned.

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EXTRACT from the GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS.

GEORGE R.

Instructions to Our right trusty and well-beloved Guy Lord Dorchester, Knight of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Our Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Province of Lower Canada. Given at Our Court at St. James's, the 16th Day of September 1791, in the Thirty-first Year of Our Reign.

32. And for the further Encouragement of Our Subjects, it is Our Will and Pleasure that the Lands to be granted by you as aforesaid shall be laid out in Townships, and that each Inland Township shall, as nearly as Circumstances shall admit, consist of Ten Miles square; and such as shall be situated upon a navigable River or Water shall have a Front of Nine Miles, and be Twelve Miles in Depth, and shall be subdivided in such Manner as may be found most advisable for the Accommodation of the Settlers, and for making the several Reservations for public Uses, and particularly for the Support of the Protestant Clergy, agreeably to the above-recited Act passed in the present Year of Our Reign.

31 Geo. 3. Cap. 31.

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Mr. Secretary
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From Mr. Secretary DUNDAS (Despatch, No. 2.) to Lord DORCHESTER, dated Whitchall, 16th September 1791.

(No. 2.)--Extract.

As there does not at present appear to be sufficient Provision for the Support of the Protestant Clergy either in Upper Canada or Lower Canada, the Collection of Tithes has, under the Act of the present Year, been suffered to continue; but your Lordship will understand, that it is not wished to continue this Burden longer than is necessary for the competent Provision of the Clergy. If, therefore, the Proprietors of Lands liable to the Payment of Tithes shall be induced to concur with your Lordship's Recommendation in providing a sufficient Fund for clearing the reserved Lands, and for building Parsonage Houses on the several Parsonages which may be endowed under the Act of the last Session of Parliament, and at the same Time provide an intermediate Fund for the Maintenance of the Clergy during the Period that will be required for the Purpose of so clearing these reserved Lands, the Obligation of Tithes may then cease. I have thought it necessary to explain this Subject minutely to your Lordship, that by making it understood amongst the Proprietors of these Lands, they may perceive the Means which are in their own Power to relieve themselves from a Burden which is naturally irksome to them.