I request that you will inform me whether your Government agree to this pro-Posal.

I have, &c.,

Governor General the Most Hon.

The Marquis of Lansdowne, G.C.M.G., &c., &c., &c.

The Admiralty to Colonial Office.

ADMIRALTY, 29th July, 1884.

SIR,—With reference to Admiralty letter of the 29th February last (D.W., 2789) on the subject of the surrender of naval reserves in British Columbia, I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to request that you will move the Secretary of State for the Colonies to ascertain from the Dominion Government whether there would be any objection on their part to transfer to the Admiralty a plot of ground in Constance Coal, Esquimalt Harbor, tinted blue on the accompanying chart, in exchange for the reserves C. and D., on the plan transmitted with the letter above referred to.

I am, &c.,

EVAN MACGREGOR.

The Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

## GOVERNMENT HOUSE, OTTAWA,

MONDAY, the 20th day of April, 1885.

Present :

His Excellency the Governor General in Council.

On the recommendation of the Hon. the Minister of the Interior, concurred in by the Hon. the Minister of Justice, and under the provisions of the 4th subsection of the 11th section of the Act passed in the Session of the Parliament of Canada held in the 47th year of Her Majesty's reign, chaptered 6, and intitled: "An Act respecting the Vancouver Island Railway, the Esquimalt Graving Dock and Certain Railway Lands of the Province of British Columbia, granted to the Dominion," His Excellency, by and with the advice of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, has been adviced that the following regulations

His Excellency, by and with the advice of British Columbia, granted to the Dominion, has been pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the following regulations for the survey, administration and disposal of Dominion lands within the railway belt in the Province of British Columbia be, and the same are hereby approved and adopted.

JOHN J. McGEE, Clerk Privy Council.

Department of the Secretary of State, Canada.

Year 1885.

No. 5522.

Name-Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia.

Address-Victoria, B.C.

Date-23rd March; 2nd April.

## SUBJECT:

Transmits copy of report of Executive Council and Address passed by Legislative Assembly *re* the opening up the lands within the railway reserve in the Province, &c.

## ACTION:

4th April—Letter 1269, to Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, and referred to the Hon. the Privy Council.

By Command.

J. A. CHAPLEAU, Secretary of State, Privy Council. Referred to the Minister of the Interior. JOHN J. McGEE

April 4th, 1885. 161-2

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