

NEWFOUND-
LAND.
MINERAL
RESOURCES.

to be transported to an adjacent point to Bell Isle and sold at a price that would make possible the establishment of blast furnaces there.*

No. 2.

COLONIAL OFFICE to the MUSEUM OF PRACTICAL GEOLOGY.

SIR,

Downing Street, January 24th, 1896.

I AM directed by Mr. Secretary Chamberlain to transmit to you the accompanying report† which has been received from the Governor of Newfoundland regarding the mineral resources of Bell Island, together with specimens of ore picked up there.

Mr. Chamberlain would be glad if you would favour him with any observations that may occur to you upon this report.

I am, &c.

JOHN BRAMSTON.

No. 3.

Sir H. MURRAY to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN
(Received January 21, 1896.)

Government House, St. John's, Newfoundland,
January 3, 1896.

SIR,

WITH reference to my report of the 27th ultimo† respecting the mineral deposits in Bell Island in Conception Bay, I have now the honour to forward a more detailed report, dated the 30th ultimo, from Mr. Howley, the head of the Geological Department in this Colony, on the subject of the deposits of iron ore to be found in this island. I forward it in the hope that you may think it worth while to place it in the hands of the Crown Agents for the Colonies, with a view to the attention of capitalists in the City being drawn to the prospects of mining adventure in this Colony.

I am, &c.

H. MURRAY.

* The railway comes along the Coast; I should think within five miles of the Island. H.M.

† No. 1.