

PREPARATORY NOTE.

On the 14th June, 1902, three Commissioners were appointed under the Act 2 Ed. 7, chap. 3, to form a commission to assist in the advancement of colonization, and in the development of woods and forests, etc.

One commissioner died and another resigned. The report, therefore, is the result of the labours of the remaining commissioner, and was forwarded in due course. The appendices which form a very important addition to the report were obtained subsequent to the completion of the report to Government.

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