

II. Letter from Captain Freeth to the Chief Commissioner.

Royal Engineer Office, Saint John, N. B. 7th Sept. 1857.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter, dated 4th inst., respecting the erection of a Bridge over the Saint John River, at the Grand Falls, and to acquaint you that the subject will be at once submitted to the War Department authorities, the result being communicated to you as soon as known at this Office.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

JAMES H. FREETH,
Capt. R. Engineers.

W. H. Steeves, Esquire, Chief Commissioner
Board of Works, Fredericton.

III. From the same to the same.

Royal Engineer Office, Saint John, N. B. 27th Sept. 1857.

SIR,—Referring to my Letter to you dated 7th instant, in reply to yours dated 4th instant, I have the honor to acquaint you, that it appears that permission has already been granted in the Memorandum of the Inspector General of Fortifications, dated 9th July 1856, to the Commanding Royal Engineer, Nova Scotia, for the erection of the Bridges and Road mentioned in your Letter above quoted, and that the circumstance was notified to the Honorable the Provincial Secretary by my predecessor, Lieutenant Colonel Ford, in a Letter dated 5th of August 1856. There exists consequently no objection on the part of the War Department to the immediate execution of the work.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

JAMES H. FREETH,
Capt. Royal Engineers.

W. H. Steeves, Esquire, Chief Commissioner
Board of Works, Fredericton.

IV. From Lieut. Colonel Ford to the Provincial Secretary.

Royal Engineer Office, Saint John, 5th August, 1856.

SIR,—With reference to the correspondence which took place some time since on the subject of the contemplated Road and Bridges through the Land of the War Department at the Grand Falls, on the River Saint John, I have now the honor to state, for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and Executive Council, that a communication has been received from the War Department, whereby permission is granted to the Colonial authorities in New Brunswick to construct the Road and Bridges in question.

Presuming the said works will be executed in accordance with the sketch transmitted from the Surveyor General's Office, I am not aware that any personal inspection on my part, in conjunction with the Colonial authorities, will be necessary; should it however be desired, I shall be prepared at any time to proceed to the Grand Falls for that purpose.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

E. T. FORD,
Lt. Col. Royal Engineers.

Specification for building Bridges over the Saint John River and Little River, at Grand Falls, in the County of Victoria, and for the Approaches and connecting Road.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

From Broadway to the western abutment of the Bridge over the Saint John River, the Road is to be constructed to the breadth of 26 feet, and to the inclinations marked in the accompanying profile. The western abutment is a block of rubble masonry with cut quoins and capstones, on a foundation of solid rock, which is to be quarried down