

INSTRUCTIONS.

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SIR,

Downing Street, 26th January 1827.

It has been thought expedient that Measures should be taken for 300,000 Acres of Waste Land being surveyed, and other necessary Arrangements made for the Reception in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward's Island, during the ensuing Autumn, of 2,000 Emigrants, Heads of Families, (say 10,000 Souls,) in the Event of such a Measure being finally decided upon by His Majesty's Government; and Lord Bathurst having selected you as a fit Person to carry these Arrangements into Effect, and to perform such further Services as are herein-after expressed, you are to consider yourself as appointed a Commissioner for said Purposes, and to be governed in the Performance of your Duties by the following Instructions.

You are to proceed without Delay to Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward's Island, and after consulting on the Subject of these Instructions with the respective Lieutenant Governors of those Provinces, you will proceed to the Districts which under all Circumstances appear best suited to the Purposes of Settlement, with a view of ascertaining, previous to any Surveys or other Arrangements being made, that not only the Situation is eligible, but that the Quality of the Land is such as to ensure the Means of ultimate Success to any industrious Settler who may be placed thereon. In ultimately forming your Determination on this Part of your Instructions, you will keep in mind the great Advantage to be derived from placing the new Settlements as near as possible to inhabited Parts of the Country.

The total Quantity of Land to be thus laid out under your Directions is not to exceed 300,000 Acres; in fixing the Proportion for each Province, you must be guided by Information to be obtained on the Spot. Having fixed on the Situation and determined the Quantity of Land to be surveyed and laid out in each Province, and made the necessary Arrangements for effecting the latter, you will ascertain the most eligible Place of Disembarkation for the Proportion of Settlers intended to be sent there; you will also take Measures for ensuring the Means of Removal being provided for them and their Baggage, from the Place of Disembarkation to the Place of Settlement. It will also be necessary that a Supply of One Month's Provisions should be actually received, and put into Store at the Place of Settlement, previous to the Arrival of the Emigrants, as likewise that there is a due Proportion at the Point of Disembarkation, and the Means of supplying them on the Route from thence to the Place of Destination.