

the detail of the manner in which we conceive that the proposed fund should be managed, because I hope that it will be sufficiently apparent from the following resolutions, into which the Board has condensed all that it has to offer on the interesting and important subject which has engaged it: I have therefore the honor to inform you that the members of His Majesty's Executive Council, the Judges, and the Law officers of the Crown, after much reflection, and deliberation on the matter referred to them, are of opinion.

1. That an appropriation of 500,000 acres or ten Townships, after deducting the Crown and Clergy Reserves, will be a sufficient fund for the establishment and maintenance of the Royal Foundation of four Grammar Schools, and an University in the Province of Upper Canada.

2. That the present circumstances of the Province call for the erection of two of those schools, one at the Town of Kingston, the other at the Town of Newark.

3. That for the purpose of building a plain but solid and substantial house containing a school room sufficient to contain 100 boys, and apartments for the master, large enough for the accommodation of a moderate family, and the reception of from 10 to 20 boys as boarders, the sum of £3000 provincial currency for each, will be a sufficient allowance.

4. That for the purpose of raising that sum, a portion of the appropriated tract be sold, in the manner directed by His Grace the Duke of Portland with respect to the other waste lands of the Crown.

5. That for the purpose of defraying the salaries of a master and under master, in case an under master should be thought necessary, and also for the purpose of keeping the buildings in repair, and making such additions thereto as circumstances shall require, the annual sum of £180 provincial currency for each school is a sufficient allowance.

6. That in order to raise this annual sum, such portion of the waste lands of the Crown in the different parts of the Province be selected, as from the quality of the soil, or from their local situation, are most likely to yield an annual rent, and that they be leased in the manner heretofore recommended by His Majesty's Executive Council with respect to the Crown and Clergy Reserves.

7. That if the income arising from the lands so reserved, and leased, be insufficient for the purposes above mentioned, a similar selection be made from the Crown Reserves.

8. That if, after this addition, the fund be still insufficient a further portion of the appropriated land be sold, and the money arising from the sale invested in the purchase of other lands so situated as to yield a present rent.

9. That whenever the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government in Council, shall be of opinion that the circumstances of the Province call for the erection of two other schools, and also that the appropriated fund is sufficient not only to bear the expense of the erection and endowment of those two schools, but also to leave a residue sufficient for the establishment and future maintenance of a seminary of a larger, and more comprehensive nature, the same steps be pursued with respect to such two schools, as have been already recommended with respect to the two schools at Kingston and Newark.

10. That the provision for the establishment and maintenance of the University be at least equal to that for the four schools taken together.

I have the honor to be,

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(Signed)

J. ELMSLEY, c. r.

I perfectly accord with this Report in all its parts,

(Sd)

PETER RUSSEL,

President.

Document No. 1 referred to in Mr. Secretary Hillier's letter to the Executive Council of the 13th May, 1823, respecting school lands.

Extract of a despatch from Sir P. Maitland to Earl Bathurst.

Much good might be effected by the organization of a general system of Education; an object to which might be applied the proceeds of the sale of some portion of the lands set aside under the title of school reserves, consisting of 12 townships, comprising 740,000 acres, still however, reserving a certain portion for the future endowment of an University, should such an Establishment not be considered advisable at present.

"It is proposed to establish one introductory school on the National Plan in each Town of a certain size. It is supposed that a salary of one hundred pounds per annum to the master of each such school would be sufficient. The number of these schools may be increased as the circumstances of the Province may require, and the means allow."