

REVENUE &c. CREDITED.

1832.

January 1. Balance in favor of the Revenue at this date,	£4,617 12 8
Dec. 31. Tonnage on Timber to be cut on Crown Lands, received between 1st January and this date.	6,945 13 4
Sales of Crown Lands from 1st January to this date,	6,380 10 1½
Deduct Grant Fees due previously to commuted allowances being made therefor,	320 6 8
	6,060 3 5½
	£17,623 9 5½
*Contingencies collected at the Crown Land Office, from 1st January to this date,	1,536 9 9
*Contingencies collected at the Secretary's Office, from 1st May to 30th September,	360 2 11
Purchase money and fines on Grants of land under the old System, in 1830, 1831, and 1832,	121 17 7½
Fines collected and accounted for by the Sheriffs of the several Counties in 1830 and 1832,	128 4 4
Amount collected on account of Quit Rents, due midsummer 1832,	648 18 5½
Amount deposited in the Bank of New-Brunswick, and not yet claimed	7 10 0
	£20,421 12 6½
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Amount of Warrants drawn by Report No. 1.	11,764 6 8
	£8,657 5 10½
†Balance in favor of the Revenue,	

The following Notes appear on this account :—

*These Contingencies accrue from the Fees which were formerly payable to the respective Officers on application for licences to cut Timber, and other Fees not abolished. They are collected as heretofore and accounted for in the manner herein stated.

† This balance is chargeable with sundry Services for the year 1832, viz : For the Salaries on the Civil List, &c. for the Quarter ending 31st December, to the amount of £4,189 4 4 for which Warrants have issued and been paid since 1st January ; and also for the expenses of the exploration and making of the Royal Road, (about £3,200 including implements), Surveys for the New-Brunswick Land Company, and Stationary, Fuel, &c. for the Crown Land Office. These accounts are now under audit, and, consequently, no Warrants have yet issued therefor ; to meet these, however, additional items of Revenue to an amount of upwards of £1,400, strictly accountable within the year were paid over to the Receiver General, shortly after the 31st December, and will appear in the account of the current year.

This account is dated " Auditor's Office,

" Fredericton, New-Brunswick,

" March 5, 1833.

(Signed) " F. P. ROBINSON.

From the way in which this account is made up, it is impossible for your Committee to ascertain whether it be a correct one or not, as it is unaccompanied by any detail of receipts, either with regard to the quantity of Timber, for which licences have been issued, the number of acres of Land sold, the quantity on which the Quit Rents have been paid, or any other particulars, indispensably necessary to enable them to make a proper report.

Indeed, with the exception of obtaining information as to the way in which the large amount drawn has been applied in 1832, your Committee are of opinion that the House will be in as much obscurity as ever, with regard to the Revenue, after this report is submitted.

Your Committee cannot avoid calling the attention of the House to the tremendous expenses attendant upon the Crown Land Department, the enormous Salary of the Commissioner, and the large amount swallowed up in the collection and protection of this Revenue ; and they are satisfied, that, under proper management, an immense saving could be effected. They also call the attention of the House to the sum alleged to have been expended on the *Royal Road*, and, from the best information they can obtain, it is completed for only about 5 miles.

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