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Enclosed. Hillier to Strachan, (extract) 24th January, 1824. The good that might result from the adoption of the plan of disposing of the clergy reserves, which he (Strachan) had drawn up. The information he might give to Bathurst in person. Is not sure if he can pay his (Strachan's) expenses from the clergy reserves, but if Bathurst thinks the service performed would authorise such charge, His Excellency would readily consent to it.

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September 7, Kingston. Barrie to Bathurst. Transmits memorial from Low having the testimony of officers who served with him of his conduct as an active, brave and zealous officer. He is now unable to work and in great want. Asks for favourable consideration for the petition.

September 8, Navy Office. Navy Board to Croker. Enclosed in Barrow to Wilmot Horton, 13th September.

September 9, London. Edward Ellice to Wilmot Horton. Introduces Mr. Allan, a merchant of York, Upper Canada.

September 11, Treasury. Harrison to the same. The different terms upon which the Canadian Voltigeurs were raised from those on which the provincial Light Dragoons in Upper Canada were raised, warrants the refusal to grant half pay to the latter although it was granted to the Voltigeurs.

September 13, Admiralty. Barrow to the same. Sends copy of letter and enclosures explaining the cause of the non-fulfilment of the contract for supplying Canadian Red pine.

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Frederic New Roard to Croker Transmit letter from the country.

Enclosed. Navy Board to Croker. Transmit letter from the agents of Solly, relative to the non-fulfilment of contract for supplying Canadian Red pine, that the case may be investigated.

W. Atkinson to Solly & Son, 29th January, 1824. Explains that large quantities of timber had been cut off the Crown reserves on the Ottawa river, the depredators being secured in possession by the deputy sheriff of Nepean. The contractors are therefore placed in an unfair position. The timber on the Crown reserves has been allowed to be cut to secure a revenue for the upper province without directly taxing the population. so that a Crown licence is rendered perfectly useless.

Robinson to Atkinson, 28th July, 1823. Has made inquiries as to cutting timber on the Crown reserves, and finds that Government has only authorized the sales of timber which has been cut down by trespassers.

Note of answer to be sent in reference to complaint of Messrs. Solly. That the permission to contractors to cut timber on the Crown reserves is inexpedient; that the colony is entitled to the produce of its timber as well as of every other source of revenue; that the contractors can easily calculate the sum for which they could supply the timber and that the complaints of Messrs. Solly are unreasonable.

Memorandum that the question is of importance, Messrs. Solly demanding the timber cut by trespass, but the licence only gives the right to cut timber, and the fine belongs to the casual revenue of the Crown. If, as stated, the Assembly pass a law to grant licences the Council would of course throw out such a bill.

September 14, London. Adam Armstrong to Bathurst. Is desirous to go to Canada and applies for the office of one of the commissioners for the sale of Crown and Clergy reserves.

September 24, London. Strachan to Wilmot Horton (private). Reminds him of letters promised to him before he should sail, one respecting Bathurst's approbation of his services, the other notifying him of his appointment to be Archdeacon. It is essential he should be in Canada before the meeting of the permanent legislature.