

## PAPERS RELATIVE TO THE

MEMORANDUM on the INDIAN DEPARTMENT, submitted to his Excellency the Earl of Dalhousie.

It appears by inclosure to a letter from Lord Bathurst to Sir J. Sherbrooke, dated 31st August 1816, that the sterling value in England of Indian presents shipped to this country between the 1st January 1813 and 30th July 1816, was - - - - -	£.	s.	d.
To this may fairly be added 25 per cent., to cover freight, insurance, transport, &c., from England to Quebec, and thence to the ports in Upper Canada, where the chief issues were and now are made -	260,713	18	5
	65,178	9	7½
TOTAL, Sterling - - - - £.	325,892	8	¼
Currency - - - - - £.	362,102	13	4½
By a calculation made by Assistant Commissary-General Hare, the value of the Indian presents, issued in 1823, is stated at - -	17,254	8	10½
And in payment for lands - - - - -	4,039	19	9
TOTAL, Sterling - - - - £.	21,294	8	7½
In 1824 the amount of presents issued was - - - - -	20,644	14	1
„ in payment for lands - - - - -	4,007	10	-
TOTAL, Sterling - - - - £.	24,652	4	1
The total demand for goods to be sent from England for 1828, on a high estimate of Montreal prices, is:			
For presents - - - - -	21,903	17	-
„ payment of lands - - - - -	5,107	10	-
	£.	27,011	7 -
This estimate, being made on calculation of the Montreal retail prices, will bear a deduction of about 40 per cent. for charges and merchants' profit - - - - -	10,804	10	9½
Leaving the probable nett cost about - - - - - Currency £.	16,206	16	2½

Of these the gratuitous issues will probably be pretty much the same as in preceding years from 1823.

The amount of the Indian Department Establishment, in pay, pensions and allowances, for Upper and Lower Canada was, in the year 1815 - - - - -	Sterling.
	16,187 14 10
The amount of salaries and pensions (exclusive of allowances, which are not stated), was, in 1820 - - - - -	8,559 - 5
Ditto - - - ditto - - in 1822 - - - - -	6,822 5 -
Ditto - - - ditto - - in 1827 - - - - -	6,460 14 4
The establishment of 1827 contains a fixed charge of pensions, retired salaries, &c., to the amount of - - - £.990 3 4	
To these should be added—	
Sir John Johnson - - - - - 1,000 - -	
Colonel de Salaberry - - - - - 200 - -	
	2,190 3 4
As these pensions can only be got rid of as the parties die off, I would propose their being removed from the list altogether, and a permanent arrangement being made for their payment by the Commissariat, on production of life certificates, or other satisfactory documents. The amount of these pensions being deducted from the pay list, will leave it at - - - - - £.	4,270 11 -
Subject to a further deduction of 20l. for the schoolmaster (not now existing) at St. Francis, and the pay of Dr. Richardson (who cannot long survive), £.343. 14. 2. - - - - -	363 14 2
The total expense would then be, for the year 1828—	
Pay on the Establishment - - - - -	3,906 16 10
Pensions, &c. - - - - -	2,190 3 4
TOTAL - - - - £.	6,097 - 2