

“ recommend the expediency of completing such a communication with St. John, for a winter travelling and Post Road, as may not be subject to those serious interruptions and dangers to which the present line must always be exposed, during the greater portion of the year.

“ Fully impressed with the importance of attending to the efficiency of the Militia I have derived much satisfaction from what I have witnessed of their appearance and public spirit. The Militia Law will have to pass under your revision, generally, and I recommend the amendment of those clauses which press so severely upon the Militiamen, in regard to the distance of travel to their drill, and also with respect to age, at unnecessary cost of time, and inconvenience to the people.

“ I earnestly recommend to your continued patronage the several Institutions for the Education of our Youth ; and I may have occasion hereafter to recommend measures for giving security and encouragement to those Provident Institutions, which I am happy to acquaint you have been established in this Province, under very promising circumstances, highly advantageous to the Country.

“ I have great satisfaction in acquainting you, that our Most Gracious Sovereign has condescended to patronize the College of New-Brunswick with his Gracious Favor, and to bestow a Grant from His Royal Revenues in this Province to place that Institution upon a very improved establishment ; and I rely upon such gradual provision being made hereafter, in addition to your last vote, as may enable the Governor and Trustees to proceed in the erection of a suitable building. His Majesty's Secretary of State has further dispensed the Grace and Favor of the Crown in a manner that cannot fail to be duly and fully appreciated, and to sustain those principles of attachment and loyalty which distinguish the origin and course of this Colony.

“ In addition to the provision made for the Madras Schools, generally, and to that of the African School at St. John, I recommend some provision for a similar Establishment at the Seat of Government, to bring more generally within the influence of these excellent Institutions, a portion of the human race to whom we owe kindness, charity, and benevolence, and for whom we should provide religious, moral and industrious education.

“ In the very prosperous condition which the affairs of this Province may now, permanently, take, I perceive, that the period is arrived for entertaining enlarged views and scope of system, necessary to supercede some very disadvantageous circumstances, which should be gradually corrected and to raise the Province to that consideration, value, and importance, which it will soon assume, if the management of its affairs proceed upon sound views and estimates of her true situation, and be conducted according to fixed and solid general principles. But great misery and embarrassment may be inflicted on young and advancing Countries, if disturbed by doubts, or exposed to quick transitions arising from different schemes of temporizing policy, and I desire to point out the errors and dangers of all contingent measures and pursuits made *only* to comply with chance circumstances, temporary interests, and adventitious excitements.

“ To that solid course, then, which may best embrace all those interests of which the Public good is made up, and upon which the permanency of your prosperity depends, I shall endeavour to look, and on it encourage the exertions of the whole Population to push their special interests with
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