

*REGULATIONS, by Order of His Excellency the
GOVERNOR in COUNCIL, to be observed for the orderly and
expeditious settlement of the Province of NEW-BRUNSWICK
by the several persons entitled to or petitioning for Farms, and by
all others concerned therein.*

I. **E**VERY petition must be reduced to writing and delivered to the Secretary of the province, that it may be considered in its order by the Governor in Council.

II. If the petitioner prays for a proportion of vacant land without specifying a particular spot, his name and place of abode are to be entered in a Register kept for the purpose, that if his request be assigned to he may have an allotment in his turn.

III. Whenever a sufficient number of farms are surveyed and ready to be drawn for, public notice will be given to an equal number, first in order on the Register abovementioned, to attend in person or by deputy, at a day and place to be appointed, when and where a draft of the several lots will be made under the inspection of a Deputy Surveyor and two or more Trustees, to be nominated by the Governor, and, as soon thereafter as may be, each person's lot, so drawn by him, will be shewn and possession given by the Deputy Surveyor aforesaid.

IV. If the petitioner asks for a particular tract and obtains the conditional approbation of the Governor in Council, he is then to publish the substance of his petition for three successive weeks, in the news papers, and also advertise the same publicly in the settlement nearest to the land petitioned for, the situation or which is to be so pointed out that any person having claim thereto may be apprized and an opportunity given him of being heard before the Governor in Council, previous to the issuing of a warrant of survey for the same, for the whole of which publication the Printers have agreed to take Five Shillings and no more.

V. All persons who have obtained warrants of survey under the government of Nova-Scotia are to transmit copies to the Secretary without delay, that they may be taken into consideration.

VI. All Deputy Surveyors are to make returns to the Secretary of their several surveys, and to specify such lots as have been drawn for; that the several Proprietors may be known, and the unappropriated lots of each survey assigned to others.

VII. The Agents of the several disbanded corps, or the senior officers of each in the province, are to transmit to the Secretary, without delay, a roll containing the present state of the battalion, troop or company, and enumerating the officers, non-commissioned officers and privates by name, also their wives and children, together with the place of their residence, that all those who are present in the province and unprovided may have their lands assigned them.

VIII. All those battalions or companies, not satisfied with their allotments, and willing to take their lands in any parts at present unoccupied and ungranted of the tracts assigned for the disbanded corps, may have farms granted them in such other parts of the said tracts respectively as they shall apply for before the first of April next; after which time those tracts will be granted to such of his Majesty's loyal subjects as shall first apply for them: And for the encouragement of those who will settle above the numbers six and seven, the lots will be laid out forty-two rods in front on the River for non-commissioned officers and privates and eighty-two rods for every commissioned officer; and the drafts for such farms are to be made in a public manner as above directed, under the inspection of the Deputy Surveyor, the Agent, and one or more officers of each battalion, troop or company.

IX. The Deputy Surveyor, as soon as may be after such draft, will shew each proprietor, or his Deputy or Agent, the bounds and marks of the lot so drawn by him, which will be considered as a delivery of possession.

X. No person petitioning for lands is to have more than two hundred acres granted him until the numerous and indigent claimants, now in the province, shall have been heard and provided for, excepting such of the commissioned or non-commissioned officers of the disbanded corps as shall be willing to take up the quantity to be allowed them in some one of the twelve mile tracts assigned to the disbanded corps, and drawn for by them: And all persons are required to be as expeditious as possible in their applications, that their lands may be assigned them in season for cultivation the ensuing spring, for which purpose the Governor will sit in Council on the Tuesday and Friday in each week.

By Command of his Excellency the Governor,
in Council, the 14th of January, 1785.

JONATHAN ODELL, *Secretary.*