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Subsequent to the death of the late Governor General Lord Sydenham, a circular was addressed by Mr. Secretary East to Mr. Ryland.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Sir,*

Kingston, 8th Dec. 1841.

I am commanded by the administrator of the Government to offer for your acceptance the registrarship of the district of Quebec.

In so doing, however, I am to add, that his Excellency is desirous you should perfectly understand that this appointment is offered you subject to the approval of the Governor General; and that if, on Sir Charles Bagot's arrival, he should see fit to revoke it in favour of any other party, it is not to be held to give you any claim whatever upon the Government for other official employment or indemnification.

G. H. Ryland, Esq.
&c. &c. &c.
Quebec.

I have, &c.,
D. DALY, Secretary.

To which the following is an answer.

Sir,

Mount Lilac, Quebec, 17th December 1841.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your official communication of the 8th inst., wherein you inform me "that you are commanded by the administrator of the Government to offer for my acceptance the registrarship of the district of Quebec."

Having already stated to his Excellency the late Governor General my willingness under certain conditions to accept the office in question, I have now to request you will convey to his Excellency the administrator of the Government my readiness to enter upon the duties of registrar of the district of Quebec, whenever his Excellency may think proper to put the ordinance, 4 Vict. c. 30., into force.

In regard to that part of your letter wherein I am given to understand that the appointment in question is to be considered as subject to the approval of Sir Charles Bagot, I have merely to observe that my claims on Government being of a peculiar nature, acknowledged by her Majesty's Ministers at home as well as by the local Government here, and her Majesty having been pleased by her mandamus appointing me clerk of the Executive Council of Lower Canada specially to acknowledge my public services, my position, I respectfully submit, does not require to be strengthened by any adventitious circumstance like the present appointment, and as I should be most sorry to take any undue advantage of the kindly feeling either of the late Governor General or of the present administrator of the Government towards me, I shall of course consider myself bound, in case Sir Charles Bagot does not approve of my appointment as registrar of the district of Quebec, to return to the office which I now hold as registrar and clerk of the Executive Council of Canada, until such time as another office of equal respectability and emolument shall be provided for me.

Hon. D. Daly,
&c. &c.

I have, &c.
(Signed) G. H. RYLAND.

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ACCOUNT of Receipts and Disbursements during the Year 1842.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Rent of house for offices to 31st May 1842	-	-	-	-	£37	10	0	
Do. do. do. 1st January 1843, at 85L. per annum	-	-	-	-	56	13	0	
Salary of deputy and two clerks	-	-	-	-	512	10	0	
Extra writers, { Mr. Gordon	-	-	-	-	£8	0	0	
Mr. Carter	-	-	-	-	3	6	8	
						11	6	8
Office furniture	-	-	-	-	-	27	18	0
Miller, for clearing snow from front of office	-	-	-	-	-	3	0	0
Office keeper	-	-	-	-	-	40	0	0
Office counter, and painting do.	-	-	-	-	-	4	10	0
Bedard, for moving counter	-	-	-	-	-	0	12	6
Firewood, winter 1841 and 1842	-	-	-	-	-	8	0	0
Do. present winter	-	-	-	-	-	12	4	8
Stoves	-	-	-	-	-	9	0	0
Coals, and carting do.	-	-	-	-	-	5	4	0
Tinsmith's account for pipes, &c. &c.	-	-	-	-	-	5	0	0
Stationery, printing, &c.	-	-	-	-	-	66	15	6
Clock	-	-	-	-	-	12	0	0

RECEIPTS.

1821 memorials and 3 documents at length, enregistered—amounting to	-	530	8	3½
Excess of disbursements over the amount of fees received	-	281	16	0½

(Signed) G. H. RYLAND.

* This circular is printed from the collection of papers forwarded in Mr. Ryland's letter of 19th November 1847, a schedule of which, with references to the pages where printed in this paper, will be found at page 57 of this paper.