assurance of the purchased premises to him and them according to the true intent of these presents as by him and them and his and their counsel in the law shall be lawfully and reasonably advised and required; AND the said Sidney Smith doth hereby for himself his heirs executors and administrators and also as such Postmaster General for the Government of Canada, covenant with the Company and their assigns that if the consent of the Admiralty shall be signified as aforesaid, the said Sidney Smith or his successor in office or their respective assigns or the Government of Canada will pay to the Company or their assigns the yearly sum of 35,000 l. for the period of seven years from the 26th day of June 1860 without any deduction, the first payment thereof to be made on the 26th day of June 1861, and the seventh and last payment thereof to be made on the 26th day of June 1867; AND ALSO will on or before the 13th day of July 1860 dispatch or cause to be dispatched a proper and sufficient steam-vessel from Galway to Boston, or to such other port or place as the Admiralty shall direct for the conveyance therein of Her Majesty's mails; And will in all other respects and at all times during the continuance of the recited contract properly and sufficiently perform all the obligations thereof which if these presents were not made and executed it would be obligatory on the Company to perform, and will at all times fully and freely indemnify and save harmless the Company from and against all costs, losses, damages and expenses, claims and demands whatsoever by reason of any failure on his or their parts respectively in the due fulfilment of the recited contract; IN WITNESS whereof the said Company have caused their common seal to be hereunto affixed and the said Sidney Smith has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Peter Daly, John Gray, Directors of the Company. G. L. Lascaridi

The Seal of the Atlantic Royal Mail Steam Navigation Company, Limited, was affixed hereto in the presence of

A. Boate, Secretary.

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Signed, Sealed, and Delivered by the above named Sidney Smith, in the presence of

> Charles Bischoff, Solicitor, 19, Coleman-street, London.

BASIS OF CONVENTION between the Imperial and Canadian Governments submitted by the Honourable Sidney Smith, Postmaster General of Canada, to Her Majesty's Government, on the 11th July 1860.

Art. 1. THAT the British Government shall, under the 43d Section of the Contract between it and the Atlantic Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, sanction the assignment to the Government of Canada of that contract as made by the Indenture of the 6th July 1860, between the said Company and the Honourable Sidney Smith, Postmaster General of Canada.

Art. 2. That the subsidy of 78,000 l per annum, payable by the British Government under that contract, shall be payable to the Canadian Government, or parties authorised by them to receive it, from time to time, in accordance with the terms of the said contract and of this Convention, so long as the conditions are duly complied with.

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