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VANCOUVER'S ISLAND.

RETURN to an Address of the Honourable The House of Commons,
dated 17 June 1852;—for,

“ RETURN made since 1849 by the HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY to the SECRETARY of STATE for the COLONIES, in conformity with the Grant of *Vancouver's Island* to the said Company; of the Acres of LAND Sold, and the Number of COLONISTS settled in the said Island, and of all MONIES which have been received by the said Company for the Purchase of such Lands; and also from all PAYMENTS which may have been made to them for or in respect of COAL or other Minerals obtained in the said Island, together with the Amount applied to Colonization and Improvement of the Island.”

Colonial Office, Downing-street, }
20 December 1852.

DESART.

Ordered, by The House of Commons, to be Printed, 23 December 1852.

— No. 1. —

COPY of a LETTER from Earl *Desart* to Sir *J. H. Pelly*.

Sir,

Downing-street, 2 July 1852.

REFERRING to the return of land sales and emigration for Vancouver's Island, enclosed in your letter to this office of the 21st June 1851, I am directed by Secretary Sir John Pakington to forward, for the information of the Hudson's Bay Company, the copy of an Address to Her Majesty from the House of Commons, dated the 17th ultimo, for information of a somewhat similar kind; and I am to request that you will move the Directors to furnish Sir John Pakington with the information necessary for making a return to this Address, under the several heads therein stated, complete to the latest date.

I have, &c.
(signed) *Desart.*

— No. 2. —

COPY of a LETTER from *A. Colvile, Esq.*, to the Right Honourable
Sir *John Pakington, Bart.*

Sir,

Hudson's Bay House, 24 November 1852.

I HAVE the honour to enclose the answer to Lord Desart's letter of the 2d July, addressed to the late Sir John Henry Pelly, enclosing copy of an Address to Her Majesty from the House of Commons, dated 17th June; and I take leave at the same time to enclose for your information a detailed statement of the expenditure of 1,986 *l.* 4 *s.* 9 *d.* incurred for colonization and improvements.

I have, &c.
(signed) *A. Colvile,*
Governor.