Regulations of the Land Granting Department.

Executive Council Chamber, 13 March 1819.

Present,

His Excellency Sir Peregrine Maitland, K. C. B., Lieutenant-governor in Council.

Whereas great inconvenience accrues to emigrants desirous to become settlers in this province, from the necessity of presenting themselves at York, before they can obtain a location on the waste lands of the Crown; for remedy thereof, his Excellency the Lieutenantgovernor, by and with the advice and consent of the executive council, is pleased to appoint in each of the districts certain persons to form a board, with power to locate any emigrant or other person desirous to become a settler in the respective district, on a lot of 100 acres within the same, under such limitations, restrictions and rules as from time to time may be made for the government of the said boards by any order in council.

The land board in the

district to consist of

Rules and Regulations.

THE boards will assemble one day at least in each week, of which public notice shall be given in the district.

They shall examine every applicant, and minute his place of birth, age and time of coming into the province; shall receive and minute a declaration that he has not before received

any land from the Crown within it.

Whereupon being satisfied as to his character and the propriety of admitting him to become a settler, the board shall administer to him the oath of allegiance, and deliver to him a certificate to that effect, signed by two members at least, and having entered his name in the township plan, shall, at the foot of the said certificate, assign to such settler the said lot, and deliver the certificate with such assignment, in order that upon the production thereof, with proof of having performed the settlement duties, he may receive a patent grant of the land.

To which purpose the surveyor-general shall furnish the boards with plans of each town-

ship, showing the lots therein unlocated.

After the deposit of such plans with the board, no location to be made thereon by the surveyor-general, until he shall have received, on special reference, a certificate from the board that no settler is located thereou.

In case of any apparent occupation or improvement made on a lot vacant on the plan, no

location to be made thereon without further order from the surveyor-general.

The land boards may appoint a clerk to preserve a minute of their proceedings and countersign their certificates, upon delivery of which he may receive from the applicant the sum of 7 s. 6 d.

(11.)—ORDER IN COUNCIL, 19th of January 1820, with respect to the Lands to be located by the Militia, who served during the late War.

Executive Council Office, York, 19th January 1820.

Orders Respecting the Location of Militia Claimants.

It having been suggested to his Excellency the Lieutenant-governor that a general permission to locate on the waste lands of the Crown would be more acceptable to the militia, than setting apart for that purpose a particular tract in each district, as heretofore intended: Notice is hereby given, that the militia who served during the late war with the United States of America, in the first Flank Companies, in the Provincial Artillery, in the Incorporated Regiment, in the Corps of Artillery Drivers, in the Provincial Dragoons, in the Marine and General Staff of the Militia, will upon due certificate of their respective service from the adjutant-general, receive tickets of location from the surveyor-general for the portion of land ordered by His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, and, upon due proof of having performed the settlement duty, will receive patent grants.

N.B. By express command of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, the patents will be

gratuitous, but the settlement duty in no case dispensed with.

By order of his Excellency the Lieutenant-governor in council.

John Small, Clerk Executive Council.

Militia General Orders.

Adjutant-general's Office, York, 21 January 1820.

The attention of officers commanding regiments of militia is called to the order in council of the 19th instant, herewith inclosed, declaring the gracious intention of His Royal Highness the Prince Regent of making grants of land to the officers, non-commissioned officers and privates of the different corps therein recited.

All officers, non-commissioned officers and privates of the militia, &c. comprehended in the description contained in the order in council above referred to, will be required to submit their claims for his Royal Highness's bounty to the adjutant-general, who, on being