

present occasion, has already been filled up by the Governor with the approval of the Secretary of State.

I remain, dear Sir,

Your faithful and obedient Servant,
(Signed) R. W. HAY.

The Hon. W. Pensonby, M. P.

With these claims acknowledged by successive Secretaries for the Colonies, and advocated by the several beforenamed Governors of Newfoundland, Mr. Hogsett would throw himself upon the consideration of his Majesty's Government, in the hope and with the prayer, that they will not allow him and his family to undergo privations and sufferings of which no conduct of his has been the cause.



The following is a copy of Mr. Hogsett's Commission as Sheriff for the Island of Newfoundland:

*WILLIAM the FOURTH by the
Grace of God of the United
Kingdom of Great Britain and
Ireland, King, Defender of the
Faith.*

To AARON HOGSETT, Esquire, greeting:

KNOW ye that We having taken into Our Royal consideration, the loyalty, integrity, and ability of you, Aaron Hogsett, Esquire, have constituted and appointed, and by these presents do constitute and appoint you to act as and be the Sheriff of our Colony of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, other than and except the coast of Labrador. And We do hereby commit unto you, the said Aaron Hogsett, the Custody of Our said Colony of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, other than as herein before is excepted, with the appurtenances, so that you render unto us Our due forms, and answer unto us touching all other Our dues, and fulfil all other matters concerning the said office of Sheriff of our said Colony, as by the provisions of the Royal Charter of our late deceased Brother, King George the Fourth, made at Westminster in the Sixth year of his reign, for the institution of a Supreme Court and Circuit Courts within our said Colony: and as by the laws and customs of our said Colony of Newfoundland, you ought To have, hold, exercise, and fulfil all and singular the powers, duties, and functions