

But they do not consider this the proper occasion for entering into detailed calculations necessary to illustrate the value of the object which the Company is endeavouring to obtain.

JOHN H. DUNN, PRESIDENT.

W. ALLAN,
JOHN B. ROBINSON,
H. J. BOULTON, } DIRECTORS.
JOHN CLARK.

York, 18, Dec. 1826.

Since the Report was put to Press, a most gratifying letter, of which the following is a copy, has been received by the President, from Major Hillier, Secretary to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, enclosing a copy of a Despatch from the Right Honorable Earl Bathurst, His Majesty's Provincial Secretary of State, which being communicated at a Special Meeting of the Board, it was directed that they should be added to the Report. Nothing could be more agreeable, and more highly satisfactory to the Directors, than to have it in their power thus to conclude their Report, by recording another act of the munificence of the British Government, extended to this highly favored Colony. An act the more gratifying, as it has been entirely unsolicited on the part of the Company, and adds, at a moment when it was unlooked for, the encouraging patronage and support of the Imperial Government, to an undertaking which had before experienced the assistance of the Government and Legislature of this Province.

The Directors have resolved immediately to prefer a petition to the Legislature for the enactments necessary to carry into effect His Majesty's most gracious intentions.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE }
21, DECEMBER, 1826. }

SIR,

I am commanded to convey to you, for information of the Directors and Stockholders of the Welland Canal Company, the enclosed copy of a Dispatch from His Majesty's Government, from which I am to assure you His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has derived the highest gratification; and has charged me to lose no time in communicating it to you.

I have the Honor to be

Sir,

THE HON.
J. H. DUNN.

Your most Obedt. Humble Servant,
G. HILLIER.

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