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Resolutions of the House of Assembly respecting the Rideau Canal, &c.

Respecting the Dundas and Burlington Canal, 26th December. 340 Other extracts from the Colonial Advocate. 341 to 351

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Philo Junius to John Rolph. Objects to the power retained by the Imperial Parliament as leaving the colonies only a vain shadow, the name of a constitution. There is in the constitution the solitary reservation to the Imperial Parliament that of the power of dealing with matters of commerce, letting it be inferred that all the other powers form an inviolable charter. Even the reservation as to commerce is objectionable arising only from the weakness of the colonies. It is an important subject on which some attention should be bestowed. Whatever may be the object of the Imperial Parliament no pretence should be suffered to give authority to the little Kings here.

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The right of the British Parliament to regulate export and import 326 trade questioned. 321

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Report on the casual and territorial revenue of the Crown.

Bishop Macdonell to Maitland. Enclosed in Maitland to Bathurst, 1826. March 9, 12th June. Kingston.

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Maitland to Bathurst (No. 6). Has felt anxious as to the validity of the instruments under which the clergy corporations are constituted. A letter from attorney general Robinson will show his opinion; desires, however, His Lordship's opinion as to the propriety of the corporation continuing to act under the existing charter.

Opinion of attorney general Robinson on the charter under which the corporation for superintending the clergy reserves has been created.

March 14, York.

Maitland to Bathurst (No. 7). The great importance of a University for Upper Canada. Urges the granting of a charter and that measures should be taken with Dr. Strachan for the establishment of a fund. The exertions of Dr. Strachan on behalf of a university.

Copy of report of the Executive Council on the establish-

ment of a university.

Maitland to Bathurst (No. 8). Transmits report of the Executive Council and other papers in regard to the naturalization of such foreigners as may resort to Upper Canada. The importance of settling the The consideration given respecting the policy, as proved by the addresses, resolutions and documents forwarded. How the present law could be amended.

Enclosed. Reference to the Council of Bathurst's despatch, on which an opinion is to be given as to the course to be followed respecting aliens already resident or who may hereafter care to settle. The importance, even in a political point of view, of the establishment of a university to counteract the teaching of foreign sectaries.

Report of the Executive Council on the reference. 374 Heads of a bill relative to the naturalization of foreigners in Upper Canada. 382

Address of the Legislative Council thanking the King for sanction given to the passing of legislation respecting the naturalization of aliens. An Act was passed to that end but rejected by the Assembly, which passed one contrary to law and fact; as there is no prospect of agreeing on a bill, they pray that the Imperial Parliament may pass such a law as may be adapted to the circumstances of the province. Thanks for help given to emigrants, and congratulations on the success of the military settlement.

March 15, York.