

— No. 3. —

COPY of a DESPATCH from Earl *Bathurst* to Lieut.-Gen. Sir *G. Drummond*.

Sir,

Downing-street, 22 May 1815.

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Earl Bathurst to
Lieut.-Gen.
Sir G. Drummond,
22 May 1815.

Mr. W. B. Felton having applied for permission to establish himself and his family on a grant of land in Canada, upon which it is their intention to employ a capital of 20,000 £, I have the Prince Regent's commands to authorize you to make a grant of 4,000 acres to them, in the following proportions; viz., 2,000 acres to Mr. W. B. Felton, 500 acres to Mr. John Felton, 500 acres to Mr. Charles Felton, 500 acres to Mr. William Witcher, and 500 acres to Mr. Charles Witcher. And if it shall hereafter appear, that the land so granted shall have been properly settled and brought into a good state of cultivation, and that the grantees possess the means of cultivating a larger tract of land with advantage to the interest of the colony as well as to themselves, I am to desire that suitable extensions of their respective grants may be made, at the discretion of yourself and His Majesty's executive council. It would, of course, be desirable that such future grants should be made contiguous to those which are intended to be made in the first instance.

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

No. 4.

Despatch from
Sir G. Drummond
to Earl Bathurst,
15 August 1815.

— No. 4. —

COPY of a DESPATCH from Sir *Gordon Drummond* to Lord *Bathurst*.

Castle of St. Lewis, Quebec,
15 August 1815.

My Lord,

I HAVE had the honour of receiving your Lordship's despatches of the dates specified in the margin, authorizing me to grant certain quantities of land to Mr. Witcher, and to Mr. Felton and his associates.

I have now to acquaint your Lordship that these gentlemen have arrived here, and that I shall take the necessary measures for complying with the instructions conveyed to me in your Lordship's despatches.

I am, &c.
(signed) *Gordon Drummond*.

22 May 1815, rela-
tive to Mr. Felton's
land.
13 June 1815, rela-
tive to Mr. Witch-
er's land.

— No. 5. —

COPY of a DESPATCH from Sir *G. Drummond* to Lord *Bathurst*.

Castle of St. Lewis, Quebec,
22 September 1815.

My Lord,

I HAD recently the honour of addressing your Lordship on the subject of a communication made to me by Mr. Felton, touching the quantity of land which I am authorized by your Lordship to grant to him and his associates, and stating that he had been led to expect a more extensive grant.

Mr. Felton's letter upon that occasion I transmitted to your Lordship, and now forward the copy of one which I have subsequently received from that gentleman, in which he seems to request that a reference may be had to Mr. Hamilton, and to Messrs. Gordon & Amyot respecting the terms on which he and his associates directed their attention to Canada.

I am, &c.
(signed) *Gordon Drummond*.

No. 5.
Despatch from
Sir G. Drummond
to Lord Bathurst,
22 September 1815.

12 September 1815.

(Enclosure.)

Sir,

Three Rivers, 12 September 1815.

Enclosure.

I AM honoured by your letter of the 31st ultimo, which reached me on my return from the townships yesterday, and I take leave to request you will be pleased to express my very grateful acknowledgments for his Excellency's condescension in acceding to my request. I am happy in the opportunity of explaining to you, Sir, the cause of my departure from Europe, ignorant of the variation in the terms on which my enterprize was undertaken; it

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