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and on inland transport; if any is left over it is required for provisions. It cannot be expected that young settlers can have any surplus to dispose of in less than five or six years. The most pernicious results would follow issuing patents until the settlement duties are faithfully performed and the locatee an actual settler. Would not recommend that any settler, even if he had money to pay the fees, should receive a patent until he had been five years on the land. He was the first to exact settlement duties and his conduct was considered tyrannical; now the settlers are most grateful. If a search be made grants will be found and patents executed between 30 and 40 years ago on which fees have not been paid, the number of deeds not taken out far exceeding what Richards reports his (Talbot's) to be. Page 680

Bathurst to President Smith. That no restrictions should be imposed on the class of settlers selected by Talbot, other than those in the several Acts of Parliament.

August 2, London.

Galt to Hay. Is informed that were the Colonial Secretary to authorise the Lieut. Governor of Upper Canada to draw on the Treasury as soon as he shall have received the discharge of the claimants, the business relating to the losses might be satisfactorily settled. The balances in the hands of the Special Receiver amount to about £3,000.

Lord Howe to Hay. Asks the name of the writer of a letter from the Colonial Office.

London. August 3, Treasury.

August 6, York.

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Stewart to Hay. The Lords of the Treasury believe that £50,000 value of copper coinage recommended by Colborne is not required for Upper Canada and have ordered £5,000 worth to be sent. A report to be made of how much. if any, more was required.

State of the Province. Proceedings of 18 township meetings in the Home district between July 16 and August 6, both days inclusive. 416

Mackenzie to Goderich. Sends copy of the proceedings of the meet-August 10,

ings held in the town and township of York. Also attestation from the officers of seventeen other township meetings; proceedings of other town meetings. Copies of the above have been sent to the Lieut. Governor. Originals are in course of signature.

Enclosed. Copy of the proceedings at York including the petition.

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August 13, York.

Reports of other town meetings. 361 Mackenzie to the Under Secretary for the Colonies. Sends memorial

from John McRae, an aged and infirm man from Thorah. Enclosed. Petition of John McRae for a grant of land, he having pre-

viously applied, when the application was refused by the government which stated that it was unable to make the grant. 334 Copy of the first petition. 335

Mudge to McRae. By his instructions, the Lieut. Governor can only make grants to officers of the regular army, but if he is desirous of settling the Commissioner of Crown Lands will give him every assistance in his power. 338

Minute of Executive Council, that as the petitioner does not come within the description of persons entitled to land his prayer cannot be recommended. 339

McRae to Sir James McIntosh. Reminds him of their student days and asks for his intervention to obtain the land he has asked for. McMahon to Mackenzie. Has received communication with petitions

which have been laid before the Lieut. Governor. 414 The same to the same. The Lieut. Governor acknowledges receipt of

Mackenzie to Goderich. Reports that a resolution was passed thanking government for the measure of parliamentary reform and for passing the Marriage Act. 341

communication and dispatches.

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August 16, York.

August 19, York.