

Q. Don't you think the distribution of stamps, by post, to all the inhabitants, very practicable, if there was no opposition ?

A. The posts only go along the sea-coasts ; they do not, except in a few instances, go back into the country ; and if they did, sending for stamps by post would occasion an expence of postage, amounting, in many cases, to much more than that of the stamps themselves.

Q. Are you acquainted with Newfoundland ?

A. I never was there.

Q. Do you know whether there are any post-roads on that island ?

A. I have heard that there are no roads at all ; but that the communication between one settlement and another is by sea only.

Q. Can you disperse the stamps by post in Canada ?

A. There is only a post between Montreal and Quebec. The inhabitants live so scattered and remote from each other, in that vast country, that posts cannot be supported among them, and therefore they cannot get stamps per post. The English Colonies too, along the frontiers, are very thinly settled.