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are not to be exempt, is not aware of any circumstance to make the case of Mends an exception. Page 113

March 12,
York.

Maitland to Bathurst (No. 91). Transmits for consideration petition of the widow of Capt. McGregor of the militia for a pension. 115

Enclosed. Petition from Mrs. McGregor stating that her husband was severely wounded and disabled at Longwood, and praying for a pension to support herself and six children, left destitute by the death of her husband. 116

March 13,
York.

Maitland to Bathurst (No. 92). Transmits petition from McNab of McNab for a grant of land to settle part of his clan. His proposal is attended with risk to himself and embarrassment to the provincial government. 118

Enclosed. Memorial by McNab of McNab, stating the distressing circumstances of his clan. Asks for land on which to settle a number, and that a deed should be given him for land set apart, or if that is unusual, that no patents should be issued to his settlers till they produced his certificate that they had performed the conditions under which they had come to settle. 120

March 15,
York.

Maitland to Bathurst (No. 93). Forwards copy of petition from Samuel Casey. The performance of the service stated seems amply proved, and its nature prevented Casey from making the necessary exertions for remuneration at the time. He is therefore induced to solicit that the prayer of the petition be granted. 125

Enclosed. Petition from Samuel Casey for remuneration for secret service during the war of 1812. 127

Order by Richard Cartwright and certificate. 129 to 131

March 17,
York.

Maitland to Bathurst (No. 94). Refers again to the alien question and to the rejection of young Bidwell, which he believes would lead to an address from the Assembly; the same disqualification equally applies to other persons holding seats there. Had been obliged to stop addresses from the Assembly on subjects with which they had no proper concern. Is afraid that, after the union of the legislature the question may be considered as no longer important, and that the French influence would counterbalance that of the Americans. Thinks this a serious mistake. 132

Enclosed. Resolutions of Assembly that the returning officer at the election for Lennox and Addington acted illegally in rejecting the nomination of Marshal S. Bidwell, but not maliciously, the act arising from a misconception, and that so far as allegiance is concerned Bidwell was eligible for a seat in the House. 136

March 20,
York.

Maitland to Bathurst (No. 95). Sends copy of his speech on closing the last session. An unintentional turn given to the address of the Council in respect to the motives for the union led him to dwell on that subject more than he would otherwise have done. The session has closed happily although he had to give the assembly a sharp reproof for improper addresses. 139

Enclosed. Copy of speech. 142

March 21,
York.

Maitland to Bathurst (No. 96). Transmits bill reserved for His Majesty's pleasure. 147

Enclosed. Title of bill with certificate that it had been reserved and copy of the act with schedules, &c. 149

Extract from letter from Chief Justice Powell, that he had opposed the bill, as it gave jurisdiction to the district courts in cases not arising in the district, thus conflicting with the power of the court of Kings Bench. 159

March 22,
York.

Maitland to Bathurst (No. 97). Has reserved bill granting David Harris of Toronto, the exclusive privilege of manufacturing pot and pearl ashes. 160