

the course pursued by their agents on that coast: one, a Mr. Goodridge, attempting to induce the agents of the English and Jersey houses to resist the law, assuring them of his intention to do so; and another at Francis Harbour, a son of Mr. Hunt, deliberately after having been sworn, and as if to convince of the sincerity and truthfulness of his answer, repeating the words, "So help me God;" denying the receipt of the invoices of goods imported by the "Scout," then lying at his wharf, which Mr. Goodridge stated he had forwarded to Mr. Hunt by that vessel; consequently, upon his declaration and oath, I had to take Mr. Hunt's word for the value of the goods, and to see some packages opened to ascertain their worth; the duty paid at Francis Harbour was 85 *l.* sterling.

I trust you will see from this statement, which can be verified on oath, the difficulties I had to encounter, and the complete falseness of every statement made by Messrs. Hunt & Henley to the Colonial Office.

The Hon. the Attorney General,  
&c. &c. &c.  
St. John's.

I have, &c.  
(signed) J. Winter,  
Collector, Labrador.

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(No. 59.)

COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor Sir *Alexander Bannerman* to His Grace the Duke of *Newcastle*, K.G.

Government House, Newfoundland,  
18 December 1863.

(Received 30 December 1863.)

My Lord Duke,

IN reference to you Grace's Despatch, No. 38,\* of the 31st October, intimating that you saw no sufficient reason for advising Her Majesty to disallow the Act, c. 1, No. 306, for "granting to Her Majesty certain duties on goods, wares, and merchandise imported into this colony and its dependencies," and that you had recommended that the Act should be left to its operation, and that the necessary Order in Council would shortly be forwarded for that purpose.

2. Your Grace at the same time makes observations relative to the duties to be levied under the Act upon bread, &c. imported from Hamburg, which formed the subject of former correspondence, and that Her Majesty's Government retain their opinion as to the impolicy, and objectionable nature of these duties.

3. Having always concurred in these views, I shall again press their adoption by the Legislature in the Session which will open about the end of next month.

4. Your Grace also refers to the imposition by this Act of duties on persons inhabiting the coast of Labrador, and that it appears right that such persons should be enabled to send representatives to the Assembly of Newfoundland.

5. That subject shall also be brought under the consideration of the Legislature, and I trust that they will adopt the suggestion of your Grace, which, in my opinion, is a very proper one.

I have, &c.  
(signed) A. Bannerman, Governor.

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(No. 15.)

COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor Sir *Alexander Bannerman* to His Grace the Duke of *Newcastle*, K.G.

Government House, Newfoundland,  
22 March 1864.

(Received 14 April 1864.)

My Lord Duke,

IN accordance with the instructions contained in your Grace's Despatch, No. 6,\* of the 4th of February, I have the honour to enclose the Report of Mr. Winter, Collector of the Revenue on the Labrador, in reply to the charge of partiality preferred against him by Messrs. Henley and Hunt.

2. I also enclose a letter from the Receiver-General, who visited Labrador last year in a steamer, but did not fall in with the Collector. Indeed, your Grace

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