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District of Mecklenburg, extending within the North and South bounds of Our said Province, from the Western limits of the said District of Luneburg, as far Westerly as to a North and South line intersecting the mouth of a river now called the Trent, discharging itself from the West into the head of the Bay of Quinty, and therein comprehending the several towns or tracts called or known by the names of Pittsburg, Kingston, Ernest-Town, Fredericksburg, Adolphus-Town, Marysburg, Sophiasburg, Ameliasburg, Sydney, Thurlow, Richmond and Camden; and also one other District to be called the district of Nassau, extending within the North and South bounds of Our said Province, from the Western limit of the last mentioned District, so far Westerly as to a North and South line, intersecting the extreme projection of Long-point into the Lake Erie, on the Northerly side of the said Lake Erie; and also one other District to be called the District of Hesse, which is to comprehend all the residue of Our said Province, in the Western or inland parts thereof, of the entire breadth thereof, from the Southerly to the Northerly boundaries of the same; and also one other District to be called the District of Gaspé, and to comprehend all that part of Our said Province on the Southerly side of the river Saint Lawrence, to the Eastward of a North and South line intersecting the North-easterly side of Cape Cat, which is on the Southerly side of the said river, of which all Our loving Subjects are to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly. In Testimony whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed. Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved Guy Lord Dorchester, Captain-general and Governor in chief of Our said Province, at Our Castle of Saint Lewis, in Our City of Quebec, the twenty-fourth day of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight, and of Our Reign the Twenty-eight.

(Signed,) D. (Signed,) GEO; POWNALL, Sec^y.

SYDNEY TO DORCHESTER.1

Whitehall 3^d Sep^r 1788.

Lord Dorchester.

My Lord.

Your Lordship will have seen, by the proceedings which took place in Parliament in the course of the last Session, the Arguments which were made use of on the Introduction of the Petition brought by Mr. Lymburner from Quebec, for a Change of the present Constitution of the

¹ Canadian Archives, Q 36-2, p. 469.