

APPENDIX F.

Letters and Reports on the state of the Buildings, &c. on Hospital or Hardwood Island, near Saint Andrews.

No. 1.

Letter from M. H. Perley, Esquire, Emigration Officer, to Provincial Secretary.

Fredericton, 4th December 1856.

SIR,—I have the honor to acquaint you that Captain Jones, Assistant Emigration Officer at Saint Andrews, has again brought under my notice the dilapidated state of the Public Buildings at Hospital Island, and the necessity of something being done to prevent their going to utter ruin.

It is suggested by Captain Jones that an immediate inspection of these Buildings should take place, with the view of ascertaining their exact state and the costs of repair; that if an Officer of the Board of Works cannot be sent for that purpose, some person at Saint Andrews should be appointed to perform the duty. He mentions Mr. Thomas Berry, as a very fit person, and states that Mr. Berry is the principal builder at St. Andrews, a good judge of work, a man of substance and character, who has always been employed by the Ordnance Department to execute their work in that quarter.

I beg to recommend that Captain Jones and Mr. Thomas Berry be appointed to examine the Public Buildings on Hospital Island, and to report what repairs are necessary, with an estimate of the expense, for the information of His Excellency in Council.

I have the honor to be your very obedient servant,

M. H. PERLEY,

H. M. Emigration Officer.

The Hon. R. D. Wilmot, Provincial Secretary.

No. 2.

Letter from Thomas Jones, Esquire, Immigrant Agent at Saint Andrews, to Chief Commissioner of Public Works.

Saint Andrews, 3rd February 1857.

MY DEAR SIR,—You may remember a conversation I had with you, at Saint John, respecting the inspection of the Hospital Island Buildings here, when you requested me to write to you on the subject.

Some time ago, I formally reported to the Government, through Mr. Perley, the dilapidated state of those Buildings, and suggested that some competent person should be commissioned to inspect and report upon them.

The other day he informed me, that the matter had been referred to your Department, by, I think, a Minute of Council, recommending Mr. Thomas Berry of this Town to do so, in conjunction with myself. If you could not spare any one from your office to perform the duty, there could not be selected a fitter person than the same Mr. Berry. He is our principal mechanic here, and is thoroughly acquainted with all kinds of work. He has always been employed by the Ordnance Department, and is a man of character and substance.

Will you be good enough to give this matter your earliest consideration.

I am, my dear Sir, yours very truly,

THOMAS JONES,

Immigrant Agent.

The Hon. Charles Macpherson, Board of Works.

No. 3.

Report of the Honorable Messieurs Steeves and Brown on the present state of the Hospital Buildings.

Office Board of Works, 14th October 1858.

To His Excellency The Honorable John Henry Thomas Manners-Sutton,
Lieutenant Governor, &c. &c. &c.

Agreeably to an Order in Council, dated the 15th day of August last, calling upon this Department for a report on "the Buildings on Hospital Island, near Saint Andrews,