Appendix(A.)
25th June.

Scotia, then the said Province of New Brunswick would contribute and pay towards the same the annual sum of two hundred and fifty pounds. And the said House of Assembly did, afterwards, on the fourteenth day of the same month, renew the consideration of the subject, and after reciting the humane and benevolent solicitude of His Majesty's Government for the welfare and prosperity of His Majesty's North American Colonies, and the disposition of the House to meet the liberal and humans purpose of the Government by pledging itself to contribute the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds annually towards the maintenance of the Light Houses on the above mentioned Islands, and expressing a confident hope that the Canadas, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island would contribute such further sums as might be necessary for the maintenance of such Light Houses, and that the same might in consequence be erected in the course of the ensuing summer, and that it was expedient that persons should be appointed to whom might be communicated during the recess such information relative to the erection of such Light Houses as His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor might receive from His Majesty's Government or the sister Colonies, Resolved, That the Honorable Joseph Cunard, Alexander Rankin and William Abrams should be a Committee to receive all such communications as His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor might think necessary to transmit to them during the recess, with a view to every facility being given to the erection of those Light Houses so necessary to the protection of commerce and the cause of humanity. And the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia, after mature consideration, did, on the fourth day of April last, pass an Act or Statute whereby it is lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander-in-Chief for the time being to appoint one or more Commissioners to be joined with Commissioners appointed by the Governors of the Provinces of Lower Canada and New Brunswick, or their respective Legislatures, to ascertain and define the most fit sites for Light Houses on said Islands, the most efficient structure for the same, and to ascertain and report the sums of money required for the erection of the same as well as for their future support, and to apportion the sum of money which each Province shall contribute annually towards the maintenance of such Light Houses; and it is further enacted by the said Statute that all reports and statements shall be made and returned by the said Commissioners to the Secretary of the Province for the information of the Governor and the Legislature of the Province; and His Excellency Major-General Sir Colin Campbell, K. C. B., Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Province of Nova Scotia, did, by his Commission under his hand and seal, dated the seventh day of May last, nominate the Honorable Samuel Cunard, of Halifax, and Edmund Murray Dodd, of Sydney, Cape Breton, Esquire, Commissioners to carry into effect the said Act in the most full and ample manner. And the Legislature of Prince Edward Island also considered the subject and passed an Act or Statute authorising the Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government to nominate one Commissioner to meet those appointed by the other Colonies for the purpose of defining the most eligible sites for said Light Houses, the mode of structure and apportionment of the annual contribution for their maintenance and support, in pursuance of which authority the Honorable George Wright, the President and Administrator of the Government of Prince Edward's Island, did, by his Commission duly executed, constitute Thomas Owen, Esquire, a Commissioner for the purposes in said Act or Statute expressed, and to carry the same into effect.

And the said Commissioners having mutually produced and shewn their powers, and having assumed and taken upon themselves the charge of award and arbitrament on the foregoing subject, and several of said Commissioners having visited said Islands of St. Paul's and Scattarie, and having heard and considered the testimony of skilful and intelligent persons experienced in maritime pursuits and conversant with the dangers of navigating the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the coast of Cape Breton and the adjacent seas, and the means of diminishing the same, and having also examined persons extensively engaged in Colonial commerce, and ascertained the relative tonnage owned in said Colonies, have agreed on, and concluded this award, arbitration and judgment, as follows:—

First.—That the superintendence of building Light Houses on the Islands of Saint Paul's and Scattarie shall be vested, as recommended by the Right Honorable Lord Glenelg, in the Board of Commissioners appointed by the Government of Nova Scotia.

SECOND.—That two good and sufficient Light Houses with Bells and Guns shall be erected on Saint Paul's Island on the extreme points, so as to be conspicuous on entering and leaving the Gulf of Saint Lawrence; and the Light House on the Island of Scattarie shall be erected on the East point of said Island which is about thirty feet above the level of the sea.

Thereo.—That the Light Houses on Saint Paul's Island should be of suitable elevation and constructed on such principles and with such further additions and appendages as may render them useful and conspicuous in a foggy atmosphere, with Keepers Houses, Stores or Warehouses with frost proof Cellais to preserve provisions for the relief of shipwrecked persons, detached from the Light Houses. That the establishment on Scattarie Island should consist of one Light House and revolving Lights to distinguish it from others on the coast, with a Keeper's House, Warehouse and Cellars similar to those recommended for Saint Paul's Island, subject however to any improved mode of constructing such Lights as the said Board of Commissioners may think fit to adopt.

Fourth.—As the proposed Light Houses will stand on prominent and exposed situations, and be approached by all vessels entering the Saint Lawrence, they ought to be of substantial and improved construction. No correct judgment of the probable expense of erecting the Lights can be formed without procuring plans and estimates, owing to the variety of materials which might be employed in the construction of the buildings and numerous additions and improvements which it may be thought advisable to adopt; it is therefore recommended that the whole duty of fixing upon the materials to be employed and the plans to be adopted for the Lights be left to the discretion of such persons as may be charged with the superintendence of their erection.