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ernment, has suffered from the opposition of the Chief Justice. Would recommend the attorney general, but he does not wish for the office. Judge Campbell is an excellent man, but his advanced age is an obstacle. Asks Bathurst to select a suitable person. Page 186

Maitland to Bathurst (No. 154). Remarks on reserved bills transmitted on the 21st March, 1823. 190

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Maitland to Bathurst (No. 155). The commissioners on claims for losses during the war having been advised by the attorney general, that the sufferers could not claim for loss of property which was in the United States, he lays the applications of the losses before His Majesty's government. If relief is to be extended to such cases, they will like others be subject to rigid examination. 200203

Enclosed. Schedule of papers.

The following are the titles of the papers:

No. 1. Report of the Board of Claims on the claim of Mr. Baby for the loss of a mill owned by him in the Michigan territory of the United States, destroyed by the Indians to prevent its being useful to the enemy during the late war.

No. 2. Report of the Board on the case of Mr. John McGregor who claims remuneration for loss sustained by him by reason of the failure on the part of Mr. Commissary Gilmor in the performance of a contract,

No. 3. Report of the Board on the claim of William Jones for loss of property in the Michigan territory of the United States.

No. 4. J. B. Beaugrand for property destroyed by the Indians to prevent its being useful to the enemy in the Michigan territory.

No. 5. Peter McDougall's claim as hear at Law of Robert McDougall for loss of property in the Michigan territory.

No. 6. Case for the opinion of His Majesty's Attorney General for Upper Canada.

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Maitland to Bathurst (No. 156). Refers to the question of licences, for cutting timber for the navy; the sub-contractors having proceeded without communicating with the provincial government. Sends report of the law officers, as there are points worthy of consideration. In the patent the reserve is of "White" pine the licence designates it "Yellow" pine. 248

Enclosed. Report of the attorney and solicitor general respecting the 250 licences to cut timber for the royal navy on the reserved lands.

Maitland to Bathurst (No. 157). Has ordered a special report on the claim of John Johnston of Sault Ste. Marie, which he transmits. 260

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