

CANAL OFFICE,

MONTREAL, 8th December, 1871.

SIR,—Enclosed, I beg to return Mr. F. B. McNamee's contract, for work at Port Dalhousie, Welland Canal, as he declines signing it here, as per his enclosed letter of the 6th instant.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed,)

J. G. SIPPPELL,

Supt. Engineer.

F. BRAUN, Esq.,

Secretary, Public Works, Ottawa.

(No. 13,078.)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,

OTTAWA, 26th December, 1871.

SIR,—I am directed by the Minister of Public Works, to inform you that the time for giving out the contract for the Port Dalhousie Works cannot be extended any further. You will, therefore, be pleased to signify your decision in regard to that contract, whether you accept or decline it.

I am also to inform you that the contract for the Port Colborne works has been awarded to a company whose tender is lower than your's for same works.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. BRAUN, Secretary.

F. B. McNAMEE, Esq., Contractor, Montreal.

(No. 13,246.)

OTTAWA, 11th January, 1872.

Minister requests your reply to my letter of 26th ult.

F. BRAUN, Secretary.

F. B. McNAMEE, Esq., Montreal.

(No. 13,375.)

OTTAWA, 23rd January, 1872.

Matter is pressing.—Minister wishes to know whether you are ready to sign contract or not ?

F. BRAUN, Secretary.

F. B. McNAMEE, Esq., Montreal.

(Copy of No. 20,609.)

OTTAWA, January 23rd, 1872.

*By Telegraph from Montreal to F. Braun.*

I am ready to sign contract for Port Dalhousie work at once ; please send contract for signature here.

(Signed,)

F. B. McNAMEE.