

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Quebec, March 31, 1862.

Sir,

ADVERTING to my letter to you of the 5th February last, I have the honour to inform you that his Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to add Colonel Edward R. Wetherall, C.B., and Captain Bythesea, R.N., C.B., V.C., to the Commission already appointed on the Fortification and Defence of Canada.

These officers have been duly advised of their appointment.

I am directed by his Excellency to request that you will afford Colonel Wetherall and Captain Bythesea access to the documents now in possession of the Commission, with a view to enabling them thoroughly to understand and form their own views in reference to the proceedings of the Commission up to the date of their appointment.

I have, &c.

(Signed) C. ALLEYN,

Secretary.

*To Colonel J. W. Gordon, R.E., C.B.,
Montreal.*