

NEWFOUND- for our fishery products are higher, foreign markets are stronger,  
LAND, provisions are reasonable, greater interest continues to develop  
1896-7. in mining and agriculture, while the evident interest of the  
Imperial Government in the welfare of the Colony, as shown by  
the appointment of the Royal Commission in connection with the  
French Treaties question, and the appointment of the Premier  
as a member of the High Commission now sitting at Washington,  
engenders the hope that the day of a new and better order of  
things is at hand.

I have, &c.,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

8th December, 1898.