APPENDIX Point Peters is completed, and that the lamps, reflecters, and other furniture, are in their places and ready for use. All that is now required is to appoint a keeper, provide oil, and build a dwellinghouse, which the Act did not authorise the present Commissioners to do. The key of the Light-house is placed in charge of Mr. B.

Gerow, on whose farm it is built.

The Report will be submitted as soon as all the accounts can be collected and settled.

> I have the honor to be, Sir,

> > Your obedient Servant,

JOHN MACAULAY.

Colonel Rowan, S.c., S.c., S.c.

#### LETTER

From Receiver General on subject of payment of War Losses.

Receiver General's Office, 19th November, 1832.

Letter from Re-ceiver General, on payment of War Losses,

In reply to your letter of the 16th Inst. enclosing a copy of an address to the Commons House of Assembly, in relation to the appropriation made by the Legislature at the last Session, for the distribution of certain moneys to the sufferers during the late War with the united States of America, and requiring to be informed why the monies so appropriated were not paid, I have the honor to state, that the sum in my possession and the amount I understood to be in the hands of the Special Receiver, would only make a dividend of about 3 & \frac{1}{2} per cent. The expense of procuring docuring docur ments, which have been found necessary to require from individuals to identify them as the legal claimants and representatives of parties and estates, would, in many cases exceed the amount of their dividends. The division of so trifling a sum would require the same accounts, and would be attended with the same expense to the public as if the whole amount of the claims were liquidated, to meet which, no provisions has been made, and to a large majority of the persons concerned, amounting to between 2 and 3000 claimants, little satisfaction would have been produced.

These circumstances, and no application having been made to this office by the claimants, with the exception of one, will, I trust, justify me in not having brought the matter under the consideration of His Excellency. I must also beg leave to remark, that this duty (a work of no ordinary magnitude) is altogether extraneous to my office, and at the time when I tendered my services, I had no idea that I had entailed upon myself so extensive a responsibility, and held liable for all losses unavoidably sustained.

Should it however please His Excellency to direct the payment of this dividend it shall be done forthwith.

I have the honor to be,

Your most ob't. humble serv't.

JOHN H. DUNN.

Col. WM. Rowan, P. Secretary, &c. &c. &c.

### LETTER

From Special Receiver, relative to payment of Monies appropriative towards liquidating the War Losses.

YORK, 20th November, 1832.

Sin,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt this day of your letter of the 16th, requiring of me, by the direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to furnish without delay such information as may enable His Excellency to comply with the request of the House of Assembly, as expressed in the address of that House.—(a copy of which you have at the same time been pleased to transmit for my guidance.)

In answer thereunto, I have simply to announce, that I have ever been prepared to discharge whatever warrants either His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, or the Commissioners for the sale of the forfeited Estates may have been authorised to issue under that Act of the Provincial Legislature which regulated their proceedings upon this subject.

To me does not appertain the distribution of the proceeds of the monies which come into my hands, to the parties for whom those proceeds were intended; that distribution has been heretofore invested in the hands of the Receiver General, and this arrangement, although oppressively burthensome upon that officer of the Government, and far beyond his usual routine of duties, yet, as he himself volunteered the extra toil thus brought upon him, I may perhaps be permitted to add, that it was, in my humble opinion, the most satisfactory mode of distribution to the public at large. Suffice it therefore for me to state, with all due deference to His Ex-

cellency, that I hold a nominal balance in my hands of £3849 18 10 APPENDIX answerable at call by the parties delegated by the Legislature to require it from my hands; but at the same time, it may be proper to remark, that, as Special Receiver, I am in part subserviant to the Commissioners of the forfeited Estates; that this is the first time I have been required to render any account but through them, and that consequently, I cannot pretend to assume whatever further demands they may, by the Act for their organization, feel themselves authorised to require out of the above named balance.

I respectfully submit the foregoing to His Excellency the Lt. Governor, and have the honor to subscribe myself,

Your most ob't. humble Serv't.

JOS. WELLS. Special Receiver.

Lt. Col. Rowan.

# PRESENTMENT

Of Grand Jury, Niagara District.

To the Honorable John Beverly Robinson, Chief Justice, and Speaker of the Honorable the Legislative Council.

The Grand Jury of the District of Niagara-

RESPECTFULLY REPRESENT:

That the security of property to a large amount is dependent upon Wills and Deeds throughout this Province, and which are lodged in the various Offices for Registration, and that great anxiety is felt by the Inhabitants for its safety, from the insecurity arising Presentment of from the contiguity of such buildings to others, from fire and other Grand Jury, causes; the Grand Jury therefore recommend to your Lordship's Niagara District, serious consideration, the necessity of submitting the same to the attention of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in order that a Legislative enactment may be obtained, authorising the Magistrates of the Districts to erect in the County Towns such suitable buildings as will secure the Records of the Districts.

All which is respectfully submitted.

P. Butler, Foreman, John Gibson, George Stevens, William M. Ball, James Gordon, A. Rouback, John C. Ball, Robert Melville,

James Cooper, William K. Servos, Malcolm Laing, John McFarland, Lewis Clement, Jared Stocking, Richard Woodruff.

GRAND JURY ROOM, 11th September, 1832.

### REPORT

On Petition of Hugh Richardson, and others.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Hugh Richardson, and others, praying for a grant of money to improve the Harbour of York-

## RESPECTFULLY REPORT:

That there is reason to apprehend, that unless measures be taken to prevent the accumulation of sand at the entrance of the Harbor, and to keep the passage into it clear, obstructions will increase to an extent that may prevent the larger description of vesturable that have coming into it at all.

Report on Petition of Hugh Richardson and others,

Your Committee therefore recommend, that a sum of money be granted to provide for the erection of such works at the mouth of the Harbor as will have the effect of preserving it.

An estimate has been obtained from a gentleman of skill and experience, which is appended to this Report, shewing the probable cost of works which are deemed necessary to accomplish the object recommended in this Report.

C. A. HAGERMAN.

COMMITTEE ROOM, 25th January, 1833.

Estimate of the expense required to construct a Wharf near the Garrison Creek, extending 800 feet into the Lake, into 10 feet water, which is to be built as follows:

Commencing at the waters edge and running out for 700 feet, at right angles with the Beach, and 100 feet more at a proper angle, into 10 feet water, to be built of sound round pine timber, with the bark taken off. The logs to be not less than 12 inches diameter at the small end, and in such lengths as the cribs may require; the timbers to be saddled at the angles, and where they meet each other in contrary directions; the cribs to be built in lengths in proportion to the depth of water they are to stand in. Upon the

Letter from Special Receiver, relative to payment of War Losses,