

possessing, but by erecting such Works it will bring on the settlement of the lands in that part of the Province which is totally uninhabited, which no doubt Government will be disposed to encourage, and as Government has granted to Messrs. Shuter & Mears, an island large enough to admit of a snug farm, and the soil of the best quality, lying at five times the distance from the main, and having a considerable depth of water between the main and the island the dryest season of the year, Mr. R. therefore flatters himself Government will be equally disposed to give him as much accommodation; and as the broken front of Lot No. 39 lays so near the place where Mr. R. wishes to build, he prays that Government may encourage him by taking off the reserve, so that he may have the fee simple of the land. When Mr. Rudsdell marks the letter R. upon the said broken fronts, he will likewise mark the same letter on the rocky clumps or islands, and claim the same as broken fronts, as the passage between the main and said islands is dry a considerable part of the year, but should Mr. Rudsdell find it out of his power to procure the broken fronts adjoining Lots No. 38 and 40, he will in that case endeavor to get a grant of the broken front of Lot No. 39, including the said islands and water courses within a line, beginning at the north west corner of Lot No. 39, running with the channel of the River 10 chains below the north east corner of Lot No. 40, but should Government not allow my claim to cover the broken front adjoining Lot No. 39, endeavor to get a grant of the islands and water courses as described, and take out a lease for the reserve Lot No. 39, and lay the remainder of my claim on the broken fronts of Lots No's. 20 and 21, laying on the River about 4 miles above the Chaudière Falls, in the said Township of Nepean. And should Mr. Rudsdell succeed in getting a grant of the said islands and broken fronts of No's. 38, 39 and 40, and should there not be a sufficiency of land to fill up my claim of 200 acres, he will please to lay it upon as much of the broken fronts of Lots No's. 20 and 21, bounded by the waters of the River as the deficiency may cover, covering also a small island opposite the north west corner line of Lot No. 21: should Government persist in not giving a grant of those four rocky clumps or islands, in that case, Mr. Rudsdell will take out a lease for the same, for as long a time as he can.

Cornwall, July 23rd, 1808.

No. 24.

To His Excellency FRANCIS GORE, Esq., Lieutenant Governor of Upper Canada, &c., &c., &c., in Council.

Having been applied to by Jonathan Rudsdell, late Attorney for Robert Randall, for our opinion whether the erecting a Mill Dam on the south side of the Grand or Ottawa River, Province of Upper Canada, in the Township of Nepean, and near the Falls of the Chaudière, will, in anywise interfere or obstruct the passage of canoes or boats navigating the said river, the said dam to run from the main shore to an island in the river, a distance of about sixty feet.

We do hereby declare, for the information of His Excellency the Governor and the Council of Upper Canada, that the said Mill Dam will not, in any manner, interfere with, or obstruct the navigation of canoes or boats in the Grand or Ottawa River, the usual route for boats and canoes being on the north side.

Given under our hands, in the City Montreal, this fifth day of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eight.

W. MCGILLIVRAY.
Agent, N. W. Co.

No. 25.

YORK, 30th January, 1809.

DEAR SIR,—I acknowledge the receipt of your several letters, and am much mortified that you should think yourself neglected. Your affair has been repeatedly before the Council, so