The newspapers stated that Mr. Nimmo had made a report, in 1883, in reply to me. I did, therefore, two or three times, apply to him by letter for a copy, but without obtaining any satisfaction. One of the newspaper references to this report of Mr. Nimmo, with a summary of its contents, I subjoin (see Exhibit I), with a few notes in answer to the allegations published on his authority. These alter nothing, but on the contrary an examination of them rather tends to confirm the criticisms upon these annually published fabrications.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN LOWE,

Secretary of the Department of Agriculture.

The Honourable

The Minister of Agriculture,

Ottawa.