

land, drawn up by Mr. Holland, in October, 1765, which I hope will prove useful to the Assembly.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant

(Signed)

J. RUSSELL.

Lieut. Governor

Sir Charles A. Fitz Roy,

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St. John's is divided into three counties—King's County, on the east part, has four Parishes, viz : St. George's, St. Andrew's, St. Patrick's, and the east Parish ; and sub-divided into twenty Townships, containing in all 406,000 acres. Queen's County, near the middle of the Island, has five Parishes, viz : Charlotte, Hillsborough, Grenville, Bedford, and Saint John's, and is sub-divided into twenty Townships, and contains in all 458,420 acres. Prince County, in the North West part, is divided into five Parishes, viz : St. David's, Richmond, Halifax, Egmont, and the North Parish, and sub-divided into twenty-three Townships, containing in all 407,000.

SOIL AND PRODUCE.

The soil in general on the South, and South-East side of the Island, a reddish clay, though in many places it is sandy, particularly upon the North coast ; from the East Point to St. Peter's, is a greyish sand. The woods upon this coast, from the East Point as far Southward as Hillsborough River, and to Bedford Bay on the West, was entirely destroyed by fire, about twenty-six years since—it was so extremely violent, that all the fishing vessels at St. Peter's and Morell, upon St. Peter's Bay and Morell, were burned. In many parts round the Island, is rough steep coast, from forty to sixty feet high—in some places a hundred—composed of stratas of a soft red stone, which when exposed to the air for some time, becomes harder, and