

With the view of providing the means of telegraphic and postal communication between Canada and British Columbia, across the Company's territory, and thereby of connecting the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans by an exclusively British route, negotiations have been pending for some time past between certain parties and Her Majesty's Government and the representatives of the Government of Canada, and preliminary arrangements for the accomplishment of these objects have been made through Her Majesty's Government (subject to the final sanction of the Colonies), based upon a 5 per cent. guarantee from the Governments of Canada, British Columbia, and Vancouver Island. In further aid of these Imperial objects, Her Majesty's Government have signified their intention to make grants of land to the extent of about 1,000,000 acres. in portions of the Crown territory traversed by the proposed telegraphic line.

One of the first objects of the Company will be to examine the facilities and consider the best means for carrying out this most important work, and there can be little doubt that it will be successfully executed, either by the Hudson's Bay Company itself, or with their aid and sanction.

For this as well as for the other proposed objects, Mr. Edward Watkin, who is now in Canada, will be commissioned, with other gentlemen specially qualified for the duty, to visit the Red River and Southern districts, to consult the officers of the Company there, and to report as to the best and safest means of giving effect to the contemplated operations.

Applications for allotments of certificates of stock of 20l. each to be made to the International Financial Society (Limited), at their offices, 54, Old Broad Street, E. C.

A preference in allotment will be given to parties hitherto holders of stock in the Hudson's Bay Company, and to the shareholders in the International Financial Society (Limited).

No application will be received after Wednesday, 8 July, at 12 o'clock.

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY.

Form of Application for Allotment of Stock.

No. To the Directors of the INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL SOCIETY, LIMITED.

GENTLEMEN,

I REQUEST you to allot me certificates of 20l. each of the stock in the "Company of Adventurers of England trading into Hudson's Bay," and I hereby agree to become a member of that Company, subject to its rules and regulations, and to accept such stock, or any less amount that may be allotted to me.

I am, gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

Name in full

Address in full

Date

N.B.—If the applicant has hitherto been a holder of Hudson's Bay stock, or is a proprietor of shares in the International Financial Society, Limited, the fact should be stated, together with a memorandum of the amount of the holding.

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY.

Bankers' Receipt for Deposit on Application for Allotment of Stock.

No. RECEIVED the day of 1863, of on account of the Directors of the International Financial Society, Limited, the sum of £ being the first instalment made in accordance with the terms of the prospectus on an application for an allotment of certificates of 20l. each in the above undertaking.
For Messrs. Glyn, Mills, & Co.,

£ : :

No. 21.

COPY of a LETTER from the Right Hon. Sir E. HEAD, Bart., K.C.B., to his Grace the Duke of NEWCASTLE, K. G.

No. 21.

MY LORD DUKE,

Hudson's Bay House, 6 July 1863.

In my letter of the 3d instant * I intimated a hope that I should have to communicate again with your Grace shortly.

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Accordingly I have now the honour to enclose a copy of a minute this day passed at a meeting of the Committee of the Hudson's Bay Company.

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G. (Signed) EDMUND HEAD.
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