

CANADA.

COPIES and EXTRACTS of CORRESPONDENCE relative to the AFFAIRS of
CANADA.

From the Marquis of Normanby and Lord John Russell.

(No. 6.)

No. 1.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Marquis of NORMANBY to Lieutenant-General
Sir JOHN COLBORNE, G.C.B.

SIR,

Downing-street, 28th Feb. 1839.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatches of the 22d January, Nos. 13, 14, and 15, reporting the proceedings of Courts-Martial on certain persons in Lower Canada, in custody on charges of treason and murder. In conformity with the course adopted by my predecessor, I have referred these proceedings for the consideration of the Judge Advocate General, but in the mean time I have to convey to you my approval of your decision to allow the law to take its course in the case of five of these individuals, four of whom had been implicated in the murder of Mr. Walker.

Sir John Colborne, G.C.B.
&c. &c. &c.

I have, &c.
(Signed) NORMANBY.

No. 1.
Marquis of Normanby
to Sir John Colborne.
February 28, 1839.

(No. 12.)

No. 2.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Marquis of NORMANBY to Lieutenant-General Sir JOHN COLBORNE, G.C.B.

SIR,

Downing-street, 11th March, 1839.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 31st January last, No. 24, reporting that you have requested the Executive Council to collect information on certain remedial measures, the immediate adoption of which you consider essential to the well-being of Lower Canada, with the view to the introduction of such changes as may be necessary, and as may be within the competency of the Governor and Special Council.

I have to convey to you my approval of the steps which you have taken, and I beg to assure you that any suggestions which, with the advice of the Executive Council, you may offer on the subjects to which you have adverted will receive from myself and my colleagues the most attentive consideration.

Sir John Colborne, G.C.B.,
&c. &c. &c.

I have, &c.
(Signed) NORMANBY.

No. 2.
Marquis of Normanby
to Sir John Colborne.
March 11, 1839.