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of Lower Canada, at our Castle of Saint Lewis in the city of Quebec, the first day of July in the year of our Lord 1796, and the thirty-sixth year of our reign.

(Signed) Dorchester.

GEO. POWNALL, Secretary.

I do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of an entry as on record in the Office of Records at Quebec, in the First Register of Letters Patent and Commissions, folio 253.

(Signed.) D. Daly,

Secretary's Office, Quebec, 5th August 1839.

Secy and Regr.

Sub-Encl. 2. in Encl. 1. to No. 4.

> Province of Lower Canada.

Commission appointing George H. Ryland to be clerk of the Executive Council, in the room and stead of the Honourable Herman Witsius Ryland, deceased.

Fiat recorded in the Register's Office of the Records at Quebec the 13th day of October 1838, in the Fifteenth Register of Letters Patent and Commissions, folio 232.

(Signed) D. DALY, Regr.

Sub-Enclosure 2. in Enclosure 1. to No. 4.

(Signed) DURHAM.

Victoria, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith:

To all to whom these presents shall come, or whom the same

may concern, greeting:

Know, ye, that, reposing trust and confidence in the loyalty, integrity, and ability of our beloved and faithful George Herman Ryland of our city of Quebec, Esq., we, of our special grace, certain knowlege, and mere motion, have constituted and appointed, and by these presents do constitute and appoint, the said George Herman Ryland to be clerk of our Executive Council of and for our Province of Lower Canada, in the room and stead of the Honourable Herman Witsius Ryland, deceased; to have, hold, exercise, and enjoy the said office of clerk of our Executive Council as aforesaid, together with all and singular the rights, privileges, fees, profits, emoluments, and advantages to the said office appertaining, which of right ought to appertain to the same, unto him the said George Herman Ryland, for and during our royal pleasure, and the residence of the said George Herman Ryland in our said province of Lower Canada.

In testimony whereof we have caused these our letters to be made patent, and the great

seal of our province of Lower Canada to be hereunto affixed.

Witness our right trusty and right well-beloved John George Earl of Durham, Viscount Lambton, &c., &c., Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, one of our Most Honourable Privy Council, and Governor General, Vice Admiral, and Captain General of all our provinces within and adjacent to the continent of North America, &c., &c.

At our castle of Saint Lewis in our City of Quebec in our said province of Lower Canada, the 13th day of October in the year of our Lord 1838, and in the second year of our reign.

(Signed)

D. Daly, Secy.

I do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of an entry as on record in the Office of the Records at Quebec in the Fifteenth Register of Letters Patent and Commissions, folio 232.

Secretary's Office, Quebec, 3d August 1839.

(No. 92.)

(Signed) D. DALY,

Secy and Regr.

No. 5. Lord Sydenham

Lord J. Russell, 18th July 1841. No. 5.

EXTRACTS of a DESPATCH from Governor General Lord Sydenham to Lord John Russell, dated Government House, Kingston, 18th July 1841.

(Received 16th August 1841.— Answered 28th August 1841, No. 435.)

"In my despatch of the 16th February last, No. 3., I informed your Lordship that I should on a future occasion explain the arrangements which I
should make for the consolidation under the union of the several departments
of the government. Having completed these arrangements, with one or two
exceptions, I now proceed to furnish this explanation."

"In the Executive Council I have made considerable changes. Your Lordship is aware that a very large portion of the business of that body has
consisted in advising the Governor on applications or claims for land, and

" cases of that description, or in reporting on the accounts of the several public officers or departments. I have for these services constituted a com-

"mittee, to be presided over by a president, to whom a salary of 1,000% a year should be assigned; and I have conferred that appointment on the

"Honourable R. B. Sullivan, who was for several years presiding councillor of the Executive Council of Upper Canada. Mr. Sullivan, having also for