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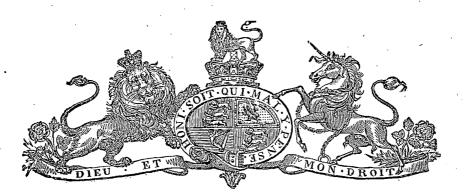
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SOUTH LONGFORD BOARD OF WORKS.

REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE.

Laid upon the Table by the Colonial Treasurer, 13 September, 1865, and ordered by the House to be printed.



Ballochmyle, 15th May, 1865.

SIR, I HAVE the honor to inform you that a Meeting of the Board of Works for South Longford took place on Saturday, the 13th instant, at Tunbridge, at which I was elected Chairman of the Board.

Before we can proceed any further it will be necessary to furnish the Board with a Chart or tracing of the District of South Longford.

I have, &c,

J. MACLANACHAN.

The Hon. the Colonial Treasurer.

MEMO.

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WILL the Surveyor-General be good enough to furnish the requisite tracing for the Chairman of the South Longford Board of Works ?

The Surveyor-General.

Survey Department, 2nd June, 1865.

CHAS. MEREDITH, Colonial Treasurer.

A MOUNTED tracing of the Police District of South Longford is herewith forwarded for the Chairman of the Board of Works. E. BOOTHMAN.

The Hon. the Colonial Treasurer.

PLAN sent as requested.

3rd June, 1865.

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Ballochmyle, 3rd July, 1865.

SIR, I AM directed by the Board of Works for South Longford, at a Meeting held at Tunbridge on Saturday, the 1st instant, to ask you whether the Board are bound by the literal interpretation of the 4th Clause of the Regulations, or whether they have a discretionary power of spending money for other necessary and useful improvements, such as making accommodation paddocks for the travelling of stock on the road side, within the scope and meaning of the Clause ; and whether money can be spent on Roads and Bridges in use for the travelling of stock through private property as well as crown land but not proclaimed or recognised ; and whether compensation can be given for making Roads through private property.

I have, &c.,

J. MACLANACHAN, Chairman Board of Works, South Longford.

The Hon. the Colonial Treasurer.

16th May, 1865.

Colonial Treasury, 5th July, 1865.

SIR, I HAVE the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant, in which you ask whether the Boards of Works are bound by the literal interpretation of the 4th Clause of the Regulations under the Waste Lands Act. In reply I have no hesitation in saying that in my opinion no other interpretation can be placed upon the Clause than the plain and self-evident one which it bears.

It therefore follows that I must answer your other questions in the negative : but as regards the one as to whether compensation can be given for making roads through private property, I beg to inform you that a Bill will be submitted to Parliament having for its object the enabling Local Boards of Works to avail themselves of the 21st Vict. No. 11, being "The Lands Clauses Act."

I have, &c.,

CHAS. MEREDITH, Colonial Treasurer.

J. MACLANACHAN, Esq.

Ballochmyle, Tunbridge, 12th July, 1865.

I HAVE the honor to acquaint you that the South Longford Board of Works held its fourth meeting on the 11th instant, and determined to recommend for adoption the following Works within that District, and expenditure of the Government Grant of £1083 13s. 7d. :--

Main Trunk Road to Great Lake, top of Steppes Reserve.		•	
Stoning, pitching, blinding, and clearing, &c	£ 100		
Jumper's Creek, Patrick Plains.			
Blasting and removing rock from road	50	0	(
Black Swamp to Nicholas' Red Gate, Patrick Plains. Ditching and blinding road	30	0	(
From Nicholas' Red Gate to Downie's Gate, top of Barren Plain	Tier.	-	
Repairing, draining, pitching, blinding, and clearing, &c	300	0	
From Downie's Gate to Shannon River, Barren Plains. Stoning, pitching, blinding, clearing, draining, fencing road, bridge across the Shannon River, compensation for land, surveying, plans and specifications, and other necessary expenses	603	13	,
£	1083	 13	-,

I have, &c.,

J. MACLANACHAN, Chairman of Board.

The Hon. the Colonial Treasurer.

Colonial Treasury, 18th July, 1865.

Sir,

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 12th instant, recommending for adoption certain works within the District of South Longford, proposed by the Board of Works for that District.

Before submitting your Report, I beg to be informed how much of the sum of $\pounds 603 13s. 7d.$ contained in your fifth proposition it is proposed to pay as compensation; for what quantity of land, and to whom?

I have, &c.,

CHAS. MEREDITH, Colonial Treasurer.

The Chairman Board of Works, South Longford. 2

Sir,

As Chairman of the Great Lake Road Trust in the absence of Mr. Maclanachan, I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 18th July, and in reply to your question "how much of the sum of $\pounds 603$ 13s. 7d. was to go in compensation for land, and for what quantity of land, and to whom," I beg to say that $\pounds 56$ 12s. 6d. has been awarded to Mr. Maclanachan for land, and $\pounds 287$ 5s. for fencing road through his Barren Plains run; and that Mr. Downie claims $\pounds 120$ for the road passing through his pre-emptive right at the top of the Barren Plain Tier.

I beg to remind you that no answer has been returned to Mr. Maclanachan's note to you of the 13th or 14th July, requesting the Attorney-General's confirmation or otherwise of his opinion on the legality of the Valuation Roll as indispensable to enforcing or abandoning the rate made under the authority of his first opinion.

I have, &c.,

PHILIP T. SMITH.

JAMES WHYTE, Esq.

MEMO.

ACKNOWLEDGED and forwarded to the Hon, the Colonial Treasurer.

JAMES WHYTE, 7th August, 1865.

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SIR,