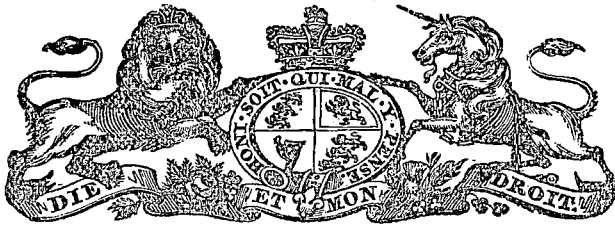


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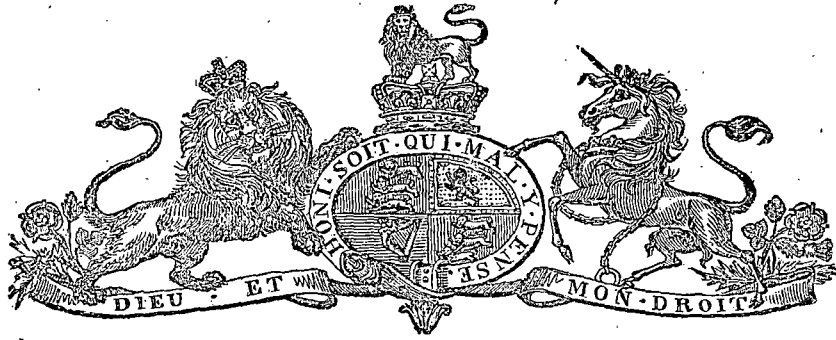
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**C O R R E S P O N D E N C E**

**BETWEEN THE EXECUTIVE AND MR. INNES AND  
MR. ABBOTT.**

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Laid on the Table by the Colonial Treasurer, and ordered by the House to be  
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*Colonial Secretary's Office, 29th July, 1867.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to inform you that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint you Usher of the Black Rod, at the salary voted in the Estimates; viz.—One hundred Pounds per annum.

Your appointment will take effect from the 1st proximo.

I have, &c.,

RICHARD DRY.

*The Honorable E. ABBOTT, Esq., M.L.C., Bellerive.*

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*Bellerive, 1st August, 1867.*

SIR,

I ACCEPT the office of Usher of the Black Rod of the Legislative Council, and I am thankful to you for conferring on me that office.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your very obedient Servant,

EDW. ABBOTT.

*The Honorable Sir RICHARD DRY, Premier.*

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*Colonial Secretary's Office, 23rd July, 1867.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to inform you that His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint you one of the Commissioners under the Launceston and Western Railway Act.

I enclose a copy of the Act for your information and guidance as to the specific powers and duties that will devolve upon you, and in the discharge of which His Excellency the Governor and his Responsible Advisers feel every confidence you will exercise that sound judgment and impartiality the possession of which qualifications has in great measure induced the Government to offer you the appointment.

The remuneration which it is proposed to attach to the Commissionership has been fixed at £200 per annum.

I have, &c.,

RICHARD DRY.

*The Hon. F. M. INNES, Esq., Newlands.*

*P.S.*—I omitted to state that, inasmuch as you are a resident on the Southern side of the Island, there will be an allowance granted to you, to be fixed by the Governor in Council, to meet your necessary travelling expenses.

I propose that your appointment should date from the 1st proximo.

R. D.

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*Hobart Town, 23rd July, 1867.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge your letter of this date, informing me that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint me one of the Commissioners under the Launceston and Western Railway Act.

In reply, I have the honor to express my readiness to discharge the duties of Commissioner, and to resign my seat (which I hereby do) in the Legislative Council as Member for the South Esk District.

I take this step not understanding that it is obligatory upon me under the Constitution Act, but not wishing to retain my position in the Legislature under altered circumstances without an appeal to the Constituency.

I have the honor to be  
Your obedient Servant,

FRED. M. INNES.

*The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.*