

Sunday Morning. 14th Mar.

I have this morning seen Sir Guy

Carlleton - he directs me to make a general statement of the nature & business of the board of Claims in as particular a manner as I can, & that he will strongly recommend it to the ministry to have the business ^{finished} as soon as possible. - This gives me some hopes. - Mr. Townsend knows this & that I stay from Church this forenoon to work hard in making the representation.

I have also seen Gen. Fox who tells me he cannot write more than a short note to you by this opportunity - I suppose because matters are not yet arranged. -

The great object of enquiry now is if the Brit. W. Indies can be supplied with the articles they want, from Nova Scotia, in order to determine whether to relax the navigation act in favor of the Amer. States - we strenuously insist that if Government properly encourage the settlement of Nova Scotia, it can furnish all the necessary articles & that relaxing the navigation act will ruin its settlement. - musters all your abilities & arguments in favor of this doctrine immediately, if it is tenable. - write down the fullest possible - converse with merchants if well informed on the

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Dear Winslow)

Things begin to wear a much more favorable aspect, respecting Nova Scotia. - The present ministry begin to find their situation more stable & permanent your representations by Mongan have had their effect - a Committee of the Council has been sitting on the business two or three days - Sir Guy Carlleton has been sent for & is come to town to give his advice & assistance in the business. Col. Willard D. Scabury Major Upham as Agents for the Loyalists have presented a memorial stating all the grievances complained of. - Lord Sydney has said "Nova Scotia shall be made the envy of all the American States" - I am authorized to say in confidence there is no doubt as separate Government at S^t. John will be established & that all your wishes will be carried into effect. Odell who is with Sir Guy whisper this to me for your