

your Excellency, & to request that you would be pleased to determine the District of Country where the different Regiments are to settle, that they may be immediately ordered to their respective Destinations. Those Regiments which were embarking at New York, are by the Commander in Chief's particular Order to proceed immediately to the River St Johns, & to take possession of that Tract of Land which your Excellency has assigned the provincial Corps: And the Kings American Dragoons being already settled at that Place, it only remains that your Excellency should point out places for the accommodation of the Prince's Americans, commanded by Lieu^t Col Gouham, & the Kings Orange Rangers commanded by Lieu^t Col Bayard: the Loyal Nova Scotia Volunteers not being particularly, in the above Orders for Reductions. Whenever I may be favoured with your Excellency's decision relative to these Corps, I shall give the necessary Orders for their moving to the Places assigned them.

I am also to make known to your Excellency the Commander in Chief's earnest Wish, that you will be pleased to expedite the Location of Lands for the Refugees on the River St Johns as soon as possible.

His Excellency the Commander in Chief has also informed me that the Secretary at War has given Notice, that the Military Establishment for Nova Scotia & Newfoundland, is to consist of One Major General, with one Aid de Camp, one Brigade Major, one Surgeon and three Hospital Masters & that

Major

Major General Campbell is named for the Command of the Troops in that Province, & that the 17th 23rd 37th 42nd 54th & 57th British Regiments are to remain in Nova Scotia.

I am also to acquaint your Excellency of my Intention to embark at this place to Morrow for the River St Johns, to carry into Execution the Command in Chief's Orders relative to the provincial Corps, and other Matters of Importance. I shall remain there only a few Days & from thence shall return by way of this place to Halifax, where I hope to arrive by the 26th of this Month. Should your Excellency have any Commands for me before that Time they will be forwarded by the Express who delivers this.

I have the Honor to be

Your Excellency most Obed^t

His Excellency Governor Gen.

W^m L^{td} Ser^t

H. E. Fox. B. G.

No 85

Annapolis Royal 16th Sept 1783

Sir,

By Letter this Day received from his Excellency the Commander in Chief, I am directed to disband all the Provincial Regiments in the District under my Command. I have forwarded to the Officer commanding the Troops in the Island of St Johns, the General Order, and also a Letter from the Right Hon^{ble} Lord North to the Commander in Chief on that Subject with particular Directions to communicate the same to your Excellency.