

POLE PAPERS

1795 - 1807

Microfilm copy of extracts relating to Newfoundland of the papers of Sir Charles Morice Pole (1757-1830), Vice Admiral, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, Newfoundland, June, 1800 - June, 1802. Original in the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, England, WYN/109/9. Public Archives of Canada, 1955. Public Archives, Ottawa. Microfilm, negative, 90 feet. The documents are listed in the order they were microfilmed.

Instructions to Charles Morice Pole, Rear Admiral of the Red Squadron, As Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over our Island of Newfoundland and Islands adjacent, including St. Pierre and Miquelon, 7 June, 1800. 22 pp.

A Return of the Fishery and Inhabitants at the under-mentioned Ports in the Island of Newfoundland for the year 1800. 2 pp.

31 October, 1797. John King, Permanent Under-Secretary of State, Home Department, to Robert Brownrigg, Public Secretary to the Duke of York, Commander-in-Chief. Concerning the quarrel between His Royal Highness, Lt.-Gen. Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral William Waldegrave, Governor of Newfoundland, over the military authority of His Royal Highness in Newfoundland. Copy. 3 pp.

2 November, 1797. Duke of Portland, Secretary of State, Home Department, to Lt.-Gen. Prince Edward. Expressing his views as in accordance with those of Prince Edward in the dispute over military authority in Newfoundland. Copy. 1 p.

23 March, 1798. G.F. Smyth, Acting Deputy Adjutant-General, to Colonel Thomas Skinner, Officer Commanding His Majesty's Troops in Newfoundland. Enclosing copies of the two previous letters and instructing him to act in accordance with the spirit of the enclosures. 1 p.

4 October, 1798. General Order. Fort Townshend. James Prance for the Governor of Newfoundland, Vice Admiral William Waldegrave. States that Newfoundland was purposely excluded from the new commission granted General Prescott in June, 1797, as Commander-in-Chief, North America; and that, until further orders from His Majesty, the Governor is now Commander-in-Chief for Newfoundland, and the forces on that Island can look for no superior officer. Copy. 1 p.

24 May, 1800. Instructions to Pole as Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the naval forces in and around Newfoundland. 16 pp.

- 1 July, 1800. Duke of Portland, Secretary of State, Home Department, to Pole. Additional instructions. 4 pp.
- 4 July, 1800. Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain and Ireland to Pole. Admiralty Order for proceeding to Newfoundland. 3 pp.
- 1 September, 1800. Dinner Invitation from the Merchants of St. John's. 1 p.
- 20 October, 1802. Henry Phillips, Church Warden, Church Committee St. John's, to Pole. Thanks for a gift. 2 pp.
- Undated. General Order assuming command as Commander-in-Chief, Naval Forces, Newfoundland. 1 p.
- Form of procedure for inclosing land and setting up survey boards. Blank. 2 pp.
- Instructions for the Ceremonial of His Excellency's Landing at St. John's, 1800. 4 pp.
- Commission of Appointment of William Carter as Justice of the Peace for the Island of Newfoundland, 8 August, 1800. 6 pp.
- Form for the Establishment of land survey boards for the issuance of land certificates. Blank. 2 pp.
- Form for the establishment of surrogate courts (courts of civil jurisprudence). Blank. 3 pp.
- Form of instruction to the captains and commanders of vessels employed in cruising off the coast of Newfoundland to guard and control the operation of the fisheries. Blank. 3 pp.
- Form for the establishment of surrogate courts. Blank. Two copies. 2 pp.
- Form of instruction to the Captains and commanders of vessels employed in cruising off the coast of Newfoundland to guard and control the operation of the fisheries. Blank. 3 p.
- Form of the appointment of Justices of the Peace and the Chief Justice of the Surrogate Court. Blank. 3 pp.
- Instructions to be observed by Captains and Commanders of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels employed in Cruising off the Coast of Newfoundland for the Protection of the Fisheries. Two copies. 5 pp.
- Form of official announcement of Pole's assuming command of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in and around Newfoundland. Blank. 1 p.

- 22 October, 1800. Printed form entitling the vessel New Providence, Dartmouth, William Williams, Master, to a bounty of forty pounds pursuant to an Act made in the 26th Year of His Majesty's Reign entitled "An Act to amend and render more effectual the several laws now in Force for encouraging the Fisheries carried on At Newfoundland, and Parts adjacent, from Great Britain, Ireland, and British Dominions in Europe; and for granting Bounties for a limited Time, on certain Terms and Conditions. 1 p.
- 19 June, 1807. John Lewis Mallet, Audit Office, to Pole. Informing him that the Commissioners for Auditing the Public Accounts have signed a State of his Account as Governor of Newfoundland for the 1800 upon which he is "Even and Quit", and that the State will be laid before the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury. 1 p.
- September, 1798. List of the Magistrates in Newfoundland, with notes. Unsigned. Two copies. 4 pp.
- Undated. List of the Magistrates in Newfoundland. Unsigned. 1 p.
- Undated. List of the Surrogates in Newfoundland. Unsigned. 1 p.
- August, 1800. Pleas in the Surrogate Court, Placentia, Newfoundland. Captain George Frederick Ryves, Judge Surrogate. 24 pp.
- 8 June, 1801. Order a Court Martial, Lt. Thomas O'Brien, H.M.S. Cracker (gun brig) for "irregularity and misconduct", signed by Rt. Hon. Horatio, Lord Viscount Nelson, K.B., Duke of Bronte in Sicily, Vice Admiral of the Blue and Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels employed and about to be employed on a particular Service. Addressed to William Domett, First Captain, H.M.S. Saint George, Kioge Bay. Copy. 4 pp.
- 4 July, 1801. Decision of the Court Martial held on H.M.S. Defiance, Kioge Bay. See Above. Copy. 3 pp.
- 8 June, 1801. Two drafts of Nelson's Order. See Above. 7 pp.
- 4 July, 1801. Two drafts of Decision. See above. 6 pp.
- 22 June, 1801. Sentence of a Court Martial convened on the order of Charles Morice Pole, H.M.S. Defiance, Kioge Bay. Defendant was Lt. Henry, H.M.S. Terror, charged with drunkenness and ill treatment of crew. Copy. 3 pp.
- 22 June, 1801. Court Martial of Captain William Cummings, H.M.S. Russel. Copy. 3 pp.

- Statistics for the District of Ferryland compiled by Robert Carter, Justice of the Peace. The District of Ferryland includes Ferryland, Capeland Bay, Cape Broyle, Brigus, Aquafort, Fermuse, and Reneuse.
- Pleas in the Surrogate Court, 1 May, 1799 - 15 Jan., 1800. 8 pp.
- Licences Granted for Retailing Liquors, 1 Jan., 1800. 2 pp.
- Return of the Fishery and Inhabitants, 1797. 2 pp.
- Names of Resident Masters, Servants and Dieters, Winter, 1799 - Spring, 1800. 28 pp.
- Register of Families, 1800. 32 pp.
- Account of Vessels and Men Employed in the Fishery, 1800. 35 pp.
- 24 May, 1800. Duke of Kent, General and Commander-in-Chief, British North America, Halifax, to Henry Dundas, Secretary of State for War and the Colonies. Concerning the despatch of troops to Newfoundland due to the desertion and rebellion of Sergeant Kelly and twelve others of the Newfoundland Fencibles at St. John's on 24 April, 1800.
- Enclosure A: 30 April, 1800. Brigadier General William Skerrett, Commander of the Forces, Newfoundland, St. John's, to Duke of Kent. Copy. 11 pp.
- " B: 10 May, 1800. Skerrett to Duke of Kent. Extract. 5 pp.
- " C: 10 May, 1800. Skerrett to Duke of Kent. Extract. 4 pp.
- " D: 12 May, 1800. Skerrett to Duke of Kent. Extract. 3 pp.
- " E: 18 Dec., 1799. Duke of Kent to Dundas. Extract. 4 pp.
- Report on the Fortifications at St. John's. Extract from the 3rd Volume of Newfoundland Records, p.76. Captain Thomas Skinner to Vice Admiral William Waldegrave, 15 October, 1797. 14 pp.
- Return of His Majesty's Forces under the Command of Brigadier General Skerrett, St. John's, Newfoundland, 24 October, 1799. 3 pp.
- Vice Admiral William Waldegrave's Order to Captain Shortland, H.M.S. Voltiguer, to proceed to Newfoundland and to act as Convoy to any vessels sailing there, 22 April, 1800. Original and Copy. 2 pp.
- Form of Deputation Appointing Deputy Receivers of the Greenwich Hospital Duty on the Island of Newfoundland, with Instructions to be Observed by those appointed. 6 pp.
- Stationary Wares delivered to Vice Admiral Waldegrave by Mount & Co., 1798 - 1799. 3 pp.

- A List of Articles Delivered from His Majesty's Stationary  
Offices to Vice Admiral Pole, Undated.  
Copy. 3 pp.
- Lord Hardwicks opinion on a case stated by the Commissioners  
of the sixpenny office. (Greenwich Hospital  
Duty). Copy. 4 pp.
- 12 November, 1798. John Bland, Bonavista, to William Waldegrave,  
Governor of Newfoundland.  
Description of the Fishery. Copy. 21 pp.  
Treatment of the Natives. Draft. 18 pp.
- 25 August, 1800. John Bland, Bonavista, to Charles Morice  
Pole, Governor of Newfoundland.  
Conduct of the Fishery and Treatment of  
the Natives. 7 pp.
- 19 August, 1799. John Bland, Bonavista, to Waldegrave.  
Administration of the Government and a  
Census of the Population. 4 pp.
- 21 April, 1795. R. Crew, Secretary, Office of Ordnance,  
to the Respective Officers of Ordnance,  
St. John's. Authorizing the Storekeeper  
to draw such Bills as Captain Skinner,  
Commanding Royal Engineers, may require  
for the fortifications at St. John's.  
Duplicate. 3 pp.
- 21 April, 1795. R. Crew to Captain Skinner. Orders him to  
forward estimates of the cost to construct  
fortifications at St. John's as recommended  
in the report of Lt.-Gen. Sir William Green,  
Chief Royal Engineer. 3 pp.
- 18 April, 1795. Sir William Green's Report on the Fortifications  
at St. John's. Copy. 14 pp.
- 23 September, 1800. Peter Mackie, Surveyor of the Customs, St.  
John's, to Charles Morice Pole, Governor  
of Newfoundland. Concerning storage for  
the custom house boat. 3 pp.
- 30 September, 1800. John Clinch, to Pole. Concerning the State  
of the Public Accounts of the District of  
Trinity Bay. 4 pp.
- 20 October, 1800. Thomas Skinner, Lt.-Col. Commanding, Royal  
Engineers, Newfoundland. State of the  
Fortifications and Buildings at St. John's  
Newfoundland. 6 pp.
- 13 November, 1801. Jonathon Ogden, on behalf of the Magistrates,  
St. John's. Account of Buildings Erected in  
St. John's since 31 October, 1800. 2 pp.
- 23 November, 1801. Estimate of the expense necessary for the  
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- 30 October, 1801. State of the Furniture in Government House,  
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Statistics for the District of Trépassey. Captain Robert Larkan, September, 1800.	
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- Statistics of the District of Placentia. F. Bradshaw.  
October, 1800.  
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Fishery. 4 pp.  
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- Statistics for the District of Burin. Mr. Broom,  
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- Statistics for the District of Bay of Bulls. Reverend John  
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- Statistics for the District of St. John's. Richard Hate  
Noble, October, 1800.  
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- Return of the Fishery and Inhabitants, St. John's, October,  
1880. Collector of the Customs. 2 pp.
- A List of Banking and other vessels employed in the Seal and  
Cod Fishery from the district of Harbour  
Grace, 10 October, 1799 - 10 October, 1800.  
William Lilly. 3 pp.
- Report on Information Respecting the Newfoundland Fisheries  
obtained from Fishing Admirals and others  
in the year 1800. - all ports and harbours;  
Report on the Salmon Fisheries in New-  
foundland, 1800; and Report on the Seal,  
Salmon and Cod Fisheries on the Coast of  
Labrador, 1800. Filmed in sections. 1 p.

- Abstract of the Returns of the Fishery and Inhabitants of  
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- Return of the Fishery and Inhabitants, Newfoundland, Captain  
Robert Barton, Lt.-Gov. of Newfoundland,  
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- Report and Remarks, Captain Robert Barton, Lt.-Gov. of New-  
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- Account, Sales, Charges and Net Proceeds of the Spanish Brig  
La Nueva Impresa and part of the Cargo,  
Prize to H.M. Sloop of War Pluto, Harry  
Falkes Edgell, Commander, condemned in  
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- Table of the Imports and Exports of the Island of Newfoundland  
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- Abstract of the Imports and Export of Newfoundland, 10 Oct.,  
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- 15 August, 1800. Jonathan Ogden, Justice of the Peace,  
St.John's, to Pole. Narrative of events  
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- 5 January, 1801. Same to Same.  
Concerning the Church Committee and the  
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1801. Same to Same.  
Concerning the judicial situation.  
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- 19 June, 1802. Pole to Lord Hobart, Secretary of State  
for War and the Colonies. Enclosing  
Ogden's letter cited above on the judicial  
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- 19 July, 1796. Address to Rt. Rev. Bishop James O'Donel  
In appreciation of his services to the  
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the Island. Copy. 2 pp.
- 25 July, 1796. Bishop O'Donel to the Chief Justice and  
the Magistrates of St.John's. In thanks  
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- 22 October, 1801. Bishop O'Donel to H.R.H. Duke of Kent.  
Requesting a pension. 2 pp.
- 16 November, 1801. Bishop O'Donel to H.R.H. Duke of Kent.  
Enclosing a letter by Admiral Waldegrave  
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Fogo, Twilingate, June-August, 1801. 40 pp.

Pleas heard in the Surrogate Court, Fogo and Twilingate, Harry  
Folkes Edgell, Judge Surrogate, August,  
1801. 9 pp.