



Halifax
St John's
Newfoundland
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Dear Doctor,

I am engaged in preparing a short article on Labrador for the new edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica. I am also to write the article on Newfoundland. I require some information regarding the relation in which the Hudson Bay Co. now stands to that portion of Labrador over which their

authority extended. Could
you inform me whether
the Co. have surren-
dered their rights in fa-
vour of Canada in
Labrador as well
as in Ruperts Land
and North West Territory.
If so when was the
surrender made and
on what terms? Are there
any reserves of land
or privileges? Where is
the boundary between
the Canadian and
Newfoundland portion
of Labrador and where
is the western bound-
ary of Labrador?

Any recent statistics

about the Indians of
Labrador - the game, -
the fisheries on the
Gulf or the Condition
of the Country generally
would be very valu-
able to me at present;
and if you could
procure them for me,
by return mail, as the
article is wanted
soon, it would be a
great favour. I have
Prof. Hind's "Explorations
of Labrador" also Cart-
wright's Labrador.
Is there any more
recent work which
would be worth
consulting? As to

the fisheries on
the east coast of
Labrador I can
get full information
here.

I send a newspaper
from which you will see
that Mr. Smith Mr. Kay himself
made to Mr. Murray the
statement that he got a hint
from you to examine the
N. E. coast of Nfld. for
minerals. He made the same
statement to myself and
added that you had quite
forgotten it when he reminded
you of it. If the statement
be unproved he is himself
accountable for originating
it. I am sorry to say
that he has lost his entire
interest in the copper mine
and is now penniless. He and
Bennett had a lawsuit and
the latter won the case.

Hoping to hear from you
by return. I am very truly
yrs
M Harvey