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 Instructions to Lieut. Lawton Engineer going to Port Roseway in
 Nova Scotia. ——— New York 19th April 1783. ———

Upon your arrival you will in conjunction with the Commanding Officer of the Troops, the superior Officer of the Navy, and such Persons as you may find authorised by the Governor of the Province carefully examine the Harbour with a view to find a proper place to land the Troops, Provisions, Ordnance and all the King's Stores, and to establish a Military Post which may afford protection to Shipping, and be capable of defence towards the Sea as well as by Land, having in contemplation a Town, Wharfs, Barracks and other Public Buildings necessary to a great and permanent Establishment, for all which purposes ample Reservations of Lands should be made, and the Refugee Settlers shown the spot intended for the Town, upon which only they should be permitted to Build agreeably to a plan laid out for them.

When the several situations shall have been made choice of, for these purposes, the Troops should be encamped or entulted upon the spot most advisable for the situation of Barracks, and upon such a plan as may be hereafter extended and improved.

Covering the Provisions and the perishable part of Ordnance Stores should be done as soon as possible in the best manner the Means and Materials which can be procured will admit of.

The heavy Cannon should be planted