

**David G. Rempel's
Microfilms of Mennonite Related Documents in the St. Petersburg Archives
Inventory file list for reels #1-16 (MHC # 960-975)**

In 1962 the noted Mennonite historian Dr. David G. Rempel (1899-1992) had the opportunity to do research in the State Archives of Russia located at the University of St. Petersburg in St. Petersburg, Russia. This archive is generally referred to as the St. Petersburg Archive and holds the documents relating to the Russian Senate (later referred to as the Duma) for the period of 1789 to 1917. Dr. Rempel chose 95 files which contained material relating to Mennonites from among those he reviewed and had the archive microfilm those files. The 16 microfilms that Dr. Rempel had made were in his private possession until the 1980s when he donated them to Conrad Grebel College in Waterloo, Ontario. Dr. Rempel's original inventory of the files included in these microfilms and as well as the brief descriptions he wrote of the contents of each file has been edited by Tim Janzen and Sam Steiner and is the version of the inventory shown below.

Copies of the David Rempel's 16 microfilms were distributed to the following archives and historical societies:

1. Mennonite Heritage Centre, Winnipeg, Manitoba
2. Centre for M. B. Studies, Winnipeg, Manitoba
3. Mennonite Archives of Ontario, Waterloo, Ontario
4. Mennonite Historical Society of Alberta, Calgary, Alberta
5. Mennonite Historical Society of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
6. Mennonite Historical Society of B. C., Clearbrook, British Columbia
7. Mennonite Library and Archives, Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas
8. Center for M. B. Studies, Tabor College, Hillsboro, Kansas
9. American Historical Society of Germans from Russia, Lincoln, Nebraska
10. Germans from Russia Heritage Society, Bismarck, North Dakota
11. Mennonite Historical Library, Goshen College, Goshen, Indiana
12. Center for M. B. Studies, Fresno, California
13. Mennonitische Forschungstelle, Weierhof, Germany
14. Mennonite Archive, Asuncion, Paraguay
15. Fernheim Colony Archives, Paraguay

In addition to the material that Dr. Rempel had microfilmed, a different microfilming project sponsored by four major Mennonite archives was carried out at the St. Petersburg Archive in 1996 and 1997 which resulted in the production of 29 microfilms. This collection of microfilms is generally referred to as the St. Petersburg Microfilm Collection and an inventory to these microfilms may be found at <https://archives.mhsc.ca/st-petersburg-microfilming-project>. It so happens that there are 20 files found in Dr. Rempel's microfilms that also are found in the St. Petersburg Microfilm Collection.

Microfilm	Fund	Inventory	File	Years	Pages Microfilmed	English Title of Main Subject Covered in the Folio
1.1	383	29	165	1798-1801	1-99, with obverse	Kronsgarten's land claim to lands currently in the hands of Collegiate Councilor Baskalov.
1.2	383	29	497	1821	1-24, with obverse	Report regarding community funds in the various colonies for the year 1821.
1.3	383	29	384	1813	1-16, with obverse	Petition to the New Russian Guardianship Office from Chortitza Mennonites asking for postponement of the payment of taxes due because of hardships.
1.4	383	29	245	1804	1-9, with obverse	Contentius' report about loans made for house construction and for home furnishings for married colonists only and regarding restrictions of such people planning on getting married.
1.5	383	29	225	1804	1-14, with obverse	His Majesty's approval to allow landowners to settle colonists from abroad on their lands and to recruit the same.
1.6	383	29	227	1804	3-12, with obverse	Appointment by His Imperial Majesty of the Duke Richelieu to be in charge of the Guardianship Office in New Russia and to take charge of establishing foreign colonists on hand and those to arrive in the future.
1.7	383	29	502	1822-27	1-53, with obverse	Directive to all colonists to have food provisions on hand for years when there are crop failures.
1.8	383	29	232	1804-05	1-69, with obverse	Report of the Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs, Count Chartorysky, with a report from the Russian Consul in Danzig, Trefurt, about Prussian Mennonites desiring to emigrate to New Russia.
1.9	383	29	242	1804-05	1-15, with obverse	Inquiry of New Russian Guardianship Office regarding taxes to be imposed upon Mennonites not yet furnished with land.
1.10	383	29	404	1838	11-15, 22-43, 59-106, with obverse	Dept III. Of Ministry of State Domain. Concerning the introduction in all foreign colonies the teaching of the Russian language in the Prischib School.
2.1	383		895	1808-27	26-60, 68-70, 89-104, 119-128, 132-139, 142-163, 184-188, 195-205, 212-215, with obverse	Request from the Guardianship Office to all colonies for plans of their settlement and the amount of land owned by each.
2.2	383		4362	1849	1-64, with obverse and foldouts	Source as under 2768. Regarding resettlement to the Tavrida Province of State peasants upon the right of family allotments.
2.3 (Frames 1-	398		2765	1845	1-389, with obverse	Source as under 2762. Draft of a project providing for the assignment to State peasants who are being resettled of a permanent family Allotment.

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3.1	383	29	159	1797-98	1, 2, 12-219 with obverse	From the Journal of the Expedition of the State Economy, New Russia Province. Description of Mennonites and Colonists settled in same.
3.2	383	29	491	1821-26	22-50, with obverse	Report from the Guardianship Office concerning the allegations that a woman in the Mennonite colony of Insel Chortitza, named Lena, had engaged in the illicit traffic of liquor.
3.3	383	29	484	1820	2-5, 14-21, 28-33, with obverse	Report from the Guardianship Office for the Southern Region of Russia, with appended accounts showing status of community funds for the year of 1819 of the foreign settlers in Ekaterinoslav, Odessa and Bessarabia.
3.4	383	29	270	1806-7	1-15, with obverse	Report from the New Russian Guardianship Office concerning sums of money expended on settling colonists and about the different types of colonists established in New Russia.
3.5	383		661	1804	1-56, with obverse	Balance sheets of income and expenses of the New Russian Guardianship Office for the year 1804.
3.6						Zhurnal Ministerstva Gosudarstvennykh Imushchesty (Journal of the Ministry of State Domain), 1854, part 52, pp. 35-78. An article entitled "History and Statistics about the foreign colonists in Russia." Installment I
3.7						Zhurnal Ministerstva Gosudarstvennykh Imushchesty (Journal of the Ministry of State Domain) 1854, part 53, pp. 47-62. An article entitled "About the Origin and Firming Up of the Forestation of Flying Sands in the Tavrida Province." Preceded by installment 2 of below item.

3.8						Zhurnal Ministerstva Vnutrennikh Del (Journal of the Ministry of the Interior) 1850, part 30, pp. 3-45. An article entitled "Survey of government enactments concerning the foreign colonies in Russia."
3.9	383	29	440	1818-22	1-68, with obverse	Report of Collegiate Councilor Bunin and of Titular Councilor Fadeev concerning the quarrels having taken place among the Radichev Hutterites and about the petition of some of them to be allowed to leave the Brotherhood.
4.1	383	29	379	1819	1b, 2, 3, 18, 19, 60, 61, 67-79, with obverse	Report of the New Russian Guardianship Office regarding foreign colonists settled in the Ekaterinoslav Province, with enclosed forms of Declaration of Loyalty, 1812. Only those pertaining to Mennonites are reproduced.
4.2	383	29	439	1818-26	1-30, with obverse	Request of the New Russian Mennonites that His Imperial Majesty reconfirm for them the Charter of Privileges issued them on September 6, 1800.
4.3	383	29	370	1811-23	1-82, with obverse	Complaint on behalf of the peasants of the village of Bol'shoi Tokmak submitted by Pasenka, against the Molotschna colonists who are accused of having seized the peasants' livestock, and about them having suffered other hardships from the colonists.
4.4	383		874	1819	1-11, with obverse	Regarding invitations to foreign colonists to come to Russia to settle on estates of private land owners.
4.5	383	29	488	1820	2-9, 12-19, with obverse	Report of Guardianship Office for the Southern Region of Russia, with appended accounts showing the status of community funds for the year 1820 for the foreign settlers in Ekaterinoslav, Odessa, and Bessarabia.
4.6	383	29	626	1837-38	20-25, 38-45, with obverse	Dept I. of State Domains, Ministry of Interior. Statistical tables about conditions in the foreign colonies for the year; Tables of incomes for preachers and teachers in schools for the year 1837.
4.7	383	29	624	1835	20-25, 40-45, with obverse	Dept I. of State Domains, Ministry of Interior. Statistical tables about conditions in the foreign colonies for the year 1835.
4.8	383	29	621	1831	73-90, 105-112, with obverse	Dept I. of State Domains, Ministry of Interior. Statistical tables about conditions in the foreign colonies for the year 1831.
4.9	383		965	1833	1-19, 34-42, 44-46, 106-108, 113-117, 134-141, 149-152	Project of the Main Guardianship Office for a new administrative organization for the foreign settlers in Russia.
5.1	38		207	1840	1-263, with obverse	From the Chancellery of State Domain. Draft provisions of program for resettlement of State peasants.

5.2	38		203	1840	1-100, with obverse	From the Chancellery of State Domain. Order regarding the founding of assistance and savings banks for State peasants.
6.1	38		744	1847	1-57, with obverse and folded pages	Chancellery of the Ministry of State Domain. Project of instructions to local agencies of the Ministry of State Domain concerning assignment of family allotments of State land.
6.2	398		2768	1845	9-70, with obverse	Department of Rural Husbandry, Ministry of State Domain. Project for the out-migration of State peasants from existing villages unto new lands.
6.3	383		964	1830	1-74, 80-83, 112-140, 159-173, 194-206, 220-227, 237-276, 285-288, 296-323, 330-333, 394-395, 494-533, with obverse	Project of the Main Guardianship Office for a new administrative set-up for the foreign settlers in Russia.
7.1	383		966	1833	58-515, 317-363, with obverse	Project of the Main Guardianship Office for a new administrative organization for the foreign settlers in Russia.
7.2	383	29	249	1804-5	1-39, with obverse	Regarding a Mennonite request for a loan of 500 rubles to purchase 50 dessiatines of land from Acting State Councilor, Baskakov. This was not allowed since the request was not approved by the Guardianship Office in first place.
8.1	383	29	183	1802-1805	1-153, with obverse	Elbing Mennonites to the Molotschna. Lists of emigrants, etc. (Same at 15.1)
8.2	383	29	215	1803-09	1-219, with obverse	Report of the Volhynian Civilian Governor regarding Mennonites and Colonists. (Same at 15.2)
9.1	381		20650	1867	38-48, 57-64, 98-105, 116-117, 125-136, 143-145, 181-186, 216-217, 262-273, 316-327, 358-367?, with obverse	Taxes to be collected from the foreign settlers in 1867.
9.2	381		3697	1867	11-23, 38-44, 67-74, 96-105, 120-125, 158-171, 255-268, 287-288, with obverse	About the taxes and other obligation of the colonists (Germans), Mennonites, Bulgarians, and Jewish farmers for the year 1867.
9.3	385		8773	1882	1-52, 56-60, with obverse	Protest of Samuel Kludt, representative of a number of colonies in Southern Russia, about the unfairness of the landless assignments in numerous colonies. Note: Kludt played a somewhat similar role as several Mennonites in the Molotschna, Thiessen, e.g.) but he was a representative of the Lutheran

						landless.
9.4	381		21181	1872	1-21, with obverse	Department of General Affairs, Ministry of State Domain. Division: Colonies. Complaints of Molotschna Mennonites about allegedly incorrect distribution of the land recently freed by narrowing the Salt Trek (or the Chumaki Road).
9.5	381		20619	1867	1-8, with obverse	Department of General Affairs. Division: Colonies. Petition from the Mariupol Mennonite District about the allocation of 12,250 dessiatines to its landless people, with further request of spreading payment for the lands in question over a period of 35 years.
9.6	385		5288	1874	1, with obverse	Petition from Mennonites in Germany to be permitted to settle on lands in Russia on basis of special hereditary privileges. Note: This request was refused.
9.7	385		5668	1874	1-18, with obverse	Complaint from Schoenwiese settlers in the Ekaterinoslav Province against the decision of the provincial court which refused to receive their petition about the division of certain lands among all the inhabitants present for common use.
9.8	381		16863	1889	1-17, with obverse	A further petition from Samuel Kludt about the unfair distribution of land among German colonists, and petitioning for redress of grievances for his petitioners.
9.9	381		5486	1868	1-16, with obverse	Concerning the settlement of the Crimea by Mennonites and other colonists. Note: An Interesting item deals with the number of trees each Mennonite was to plant in his garden, plus an additional one-half dessiatine per farm allotment.
9.10	381		21159	1872	1-2, 15-17, with obverse	Department of General Affairs, Ministry of State Domain. Division: Colonies. What taxes were to be levied upon the Little and Great Russian settlers, established on State land in the Tavrida Province, when they enjoyed the same privileged status as the former colonists. Note: This affected 13 such villages which had been placed at one time under the Guardianship Office.
9.11	381		20623	1867	1-14, with obverse	Concerning a request from foreign settlers of Tavrida and Ekaterinoslav Provinces to obtain on long-term lease basis 28,000 dessiatines in Azov area. Opinion rendered by the Governor General of New Russia and of Bessarabia, Count Kochubei in favor of request, on ground that this would be valuable for the Crimea because the industry, tree-planting,

						irrigation, etc. of the settlers would rebound to benefit of the economy of the region.
9.12	1181		102	1866	10-15, with obverse	Main Committee about the Reorganization of Rural inhabitants. The administrative reorganization of the foreign settlers under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of State Domain.
9.13	1152		11	1853	1-17, with obverse	Council of State, Department of Economy. Concerning the imposition of property taxes upon those foreign settlers (colonists) who are ending their tax exemption privileged years.
9.14	1181		177	1878	1-10, with obverse	Main Committee for the Reorganization of Rural Inhabitants. The question about the transfer to the Ministry of the Interior for the administration of the funds collected from the former colonists for the support of their clergy, funds collected but left unspent.
9.15	1152		23	1865	1-26, with obverse	Council of State, Department of Economy. Concerning the completion of Article 435 pertaining to colonies of foreign settlers. Note: This deals with the questions as to what rights and obligations, tax payments, etc. would affect those settlers who upon leaving their colonies for other places and joined other classes of society.
9.16	1181		77	1861	1-3, 15-23, 74-80, with obverse	Council of State. Division dealing with the projected new status of rural inhabitants. Extension of the rules recently approved by His Imperial Majesty concerning the status of foreign settlers in the Crimea to all provinces of the empire.
10.1	381		8393	1872	1-40, with obverse	Department of General Affairs, Ministry of State Domain, Division: Colonies. Petition from Mennonites and the Hutterite Brotherhood for continued exemption from rendering of military service.
10.2	381		21123	1871	1-18, 29-65 with obverse	Department of General Affairs, Ministry of State Domain. Matters concerning the non-payable financial obligations of the Saratov, the Samara, and the South Russian former colonists.
10.3	381		21117	1871	1, 21-29, 41-65, with obverse	Department of General Affairs, Ministry of State Domain. Monetary collections received from the foreign settlers and the Jewish farmers for the years 1871 and 1872.
10.4	1181		21	1870	1-42, with obverse	Main Committee of the Organization of the Rural Population. Should measures be taken to prevent the further splintering of peasant holdings, and if so, how?
10.5	1181		71	1870	1-75, 100-162, 205-286?, 313-	Above Committee. Project for the organization of the foreign settlers.

					356?, with obverse	An Important volume. ff 101-121 Project Committee #1 ff 122-135 Project Committee #2 ff 136-139 Project Committee #3 Folios 313-356. Reproduced. These deal with reorganization of colonies. Folios 205-286. Maps of the colonies subject to the Guardianship Committee of Southern Russia. David Rempel had ordered them to be photostatted, but for some reason this was not done.
10.6	381		8942	1873	1-23, with obverse	Second Division of His Majesty's Private Chancellery. Inquiry as to which sections of former Code of Laws about the Colonists are to be excluded from future editions of Codes of Laws.
10.7	385		4277	1872	10-14, 21-22, 28, 35-37, with obverse	Temporary Bureau about the new status of the State peasants. Cadastral Registers Commission. Act of 1870. Lists of villages of the settler-freeholders (former colonists) and to whom the title deeds to their lands were issued in the provinces of St. Petersburg, Saratov, Samara, Tavrida, Ekaterinoslav and Territory of Bessarabia.
10.8	385		4285	1872	72-78, 101-104, 265, 266, with obverse	Ibid. Inquiries about the results of the issuance of title deeds to land of State peasants and the settler free holders (former colonists).
11.1	381		21435	1876	1-125, with obverse	Department of General Affairs, Ministry of State Domain. Case of 1876, regarding the disputes between full-farmers and small-farmers (Kleinwirte) in the Mennonite villages of the Berdyansk District (Molotschna) over the use of pasturelands.
11.2	381		7831	1871	4-18, 28-32, 41-44, 53-66, 98-105, 187-197, 215-216, 226-227, 384-386, 415-419, 425-429, 435-436, 453, 456-463, 504-505, most with obverse	Dept. of General Affairs, Ministry of State Domain, Division: Colonies. Community organization and administration of the settler-free owners (former colonists) after they have been placed under the general local governmental agencies. Important notes: 1. There is here a considerable amount dealing with the Thiessen Affair and his "duels" with Mennonite leaders, and government officials on local and national levels. Thiessen was often called the "Mennonite Revolutionary" during the 1860s-1880s in the midst of the land quarrels between the landless and the landowner. 2. A good deal of the volume deals with letters of former officials in the various special colonists governmental agencies prior to their abolition in 1870. All of them appeal to the Ministry of State Domain requesting decorations, pensions, sick pay, etc., on grounds of their great service

						which they had rendered the country and the colonies.
11.3	381		18620	1893	25-27, 40-42, 49-58, 80-99, 107-116, with obverse	Department of General Affairs, Ministry of State Domain, Division about non-Slavic subject. Issues regarding the revision of the Code about the former colonists. (Vol. XII, edit. 1857) Issues raised here deal only with the former colonists in the Caucasus and the Jewish farmers, and whether these provisions should be incorporated in the new Code of Laws.
11.4	283		654	1804	1-99, with obverse	Very important account of how much money was expended on establishing various colonies in the year 1804, mostly pertaining to Mennonites.
12.1	383	29	578	1833	1-26, with obverse	Report from the Chief of the Guardianship Office regarding the petition of 39 families of colonists living on lands of a private landowner in Volhynia to be allowed to move to the Tavrida Province.
12.2	383	29	609	1837	1-188, with obverse	First Dept. of Ministry of State Domain. Matters concerning a letter from the Administrator of the IV. Bureau of His Majesty's Own Chancery regarding the sending of Nicholas Miliutin to accompany Collegiate Councilor Koeppen for the inspection of the Tavrida Province. Included correspondence relating to inquiries about the administration of the Mennonite colonies in this province.
12.3	383		656	1806	1-59, with obverse	List of emigrants coming in, how many born, how many died, number who returned, and balance left, with indication of places of their residence.
12.4	383		657	1806	1-70, with obverse	Statement of income, expenses, and balance on hand for the New Russian Guardianship Office for the year 1806.
12.5	383		658	1807	1-64, with obverse	Summary tables of amounts of money available to the New Russian Guardianship Office for settlement of colonists for the year 1807.
13.1	383	29	610	1837	1-81, 132-146, with obverse	Source as in No. 109. This deals with the dispatch of a high official to inspect the foreign colonies in Bessarabia and in the provinces of Kherson and Ekaterinoslav.
13.2	383	29	175	1801-1813	1-254, with obverse	Regarding resettlement of Hutterites from Vishenka, Little Russia, from lands of Count Rumaintsev, onto crown land in New Russia. Also covers Radichev Hutterites.
13.3	383	29	170	1800	1-8, with obverse	Regarding the decree establishing the New Russian Office of Guardianship of Foreigners (generally called the Guardianship Office).
13.4	383	29	171	1801	1-11, with obverse	Decision of the First Dept. of Governing Senate regarding the draft of a

						Charter of Privileges for the Mennonites.
13.5	383	29	177b	1802	1-135, with obverse	Concerning the beginnings of the emigration of Mennonites from Elbing to New Russia, to the Molotschna.
14.1	383	29	192	1803	1-9, with obverse	Expedition of the State Economy, etc. decision regarding a petition from Little Russian Mennonites (Hutterites) of Vishenka for a loan of 4,000 rubles.
14.2	383	29	210	1803	1-23, with obverse	Report of Count Lopukhin with recommendations concerning care to be taken of the Mennonite emigrants to New Russia. Also regarding His Imperial Majesty's concern to the Expedition of the State Economy about consideration to be given to Mennonite emigrants to New Russia.
14.3	383	29	630	1831	83-90, 97-100, 107-110, 116-120, 131-134, 138-139, 165-168, 233-238	Department I. Of State Domains, Ministry of Interior. Statistical tables about conditions in the foreign colonies for the year 1831.
14.4	383	29	631	1832	21, 42-45, 22-31, 60-70, 72-79, 91-92, 97-98, 129-132, 203-204, 206-207, 210-218	Department I. Of State Domains, Ministry of Interior. Statistical tables about conditions in the foreign colonies for the year 1832.
14.5	383	29	632	1833	87-96, 105, 106, 110, 111, 115, 116, 118-121, with obverse, 122-126, 130-132, 136, 137	Department I. Of State Domains, Ministry of Interior. Statistical tables about conditions in the foreign colonies for the year 1833.
14.6	383	29	627	1828	100-109, 119-121, 125-127, 133-135, 141-145, 155-157, 163-165, 174-176	Department I. Of State Domains, Ministry of Interior. Statistical tables about conditions in the foreign colonies for the year 1828.
14.7	383	29	628	1829	96-107, 165-172, 179-182, 191-193, 199-204, 209-214, 217-220, 224-232, 241-244	Department I. Of State Domains, Ministry of Interior. Statistical tables about conditions in the foreign colonies for the year 1829.
14.8	383	29	634	1835	86-96, 102, 103, 106, 107, 110, 111, 115-122, 130, 133, 171, 172, 174, 175, 178-180, 186	Department I. Of State Domains, Ministry of Interior. Statistical tables about conditions in the foreign colonies for the year 1835.
14.9	383	29	593	1835	1-38, with obverse	Recommendation of the New Russian and Bessarabian Governor-general to assign to Cornies in permanent possession the 500 dessiatines of land he now has on long term lease.
14.10	383	29	614	1837	1-25	Petition from the elders of the Mennonite brotherhood to His Imperial Majesty requesting reconfirmation of the Mennonite Charter of Privileges of 1800.

14.11	383	29	163	1798-1807	1-179, with obverse and a sketch	Contentius' report of his inspection of the Lutheran colony of Josephstal and it's economic condition.
15.1	383	29	183	1802-1805	1-153, with obverse	Elbing Mennonites to the Molotschna Lists of emigrants, etc. (Same as 8.1).
15.2	383	29	215	1803-09	1-219, with obverse	Report of Volhynian Civilian Governor regarding Mennonites and Colonists passing through that province for settlement in New Russia (Same as 8.2).
15.3	383	29	201	1803-05	1-73, with obverse	Report of Lithuanian Military Governor, Baron Benigsen, about his decisions in connection with the allocation of monies and food allowances to Mennonites emigrating from Elbing and Marienburg to New Russia.
16.1	383		655	1805	1-136, with obverse	Report from the New Russian Guardianship Office concerning monies expended on newly arrived Mennonite emigrants from Prussia, specifically on provisioning, loans, and household establishment.
16.2	383	29	214	1803-1806	1-62, with obverse	Memorandum from the New Russian Guardianship Office regarding the furnishing of food and loan monies to new emigrants from Elbing and other assistance toward their establishment.
16.3	383	29	602	1835	1-133, with obverse	Description of documents relating to a parcel of land claimed by Krongarten Mennonites, but which currently is held by Collegiate Councilor Baskakov.
Not Located	381		15109	1886	1-67, 69 with foldout, 70 with foldout, 71, 72, 78-94, with obverse	Petition of Abraham Thiessen, as a representative of certain Mennonite petitioners, protesting the raw deal these landless had gotten in the Molotschna, and asking for redress of their grievances. Note: Much of this material consists of articles which Thiessen had managed to get printed in the St. Petersburg Herald. I have taken extensive notes on this, in expectation that the microfilming unit might not bother to reproduce all of the material.
Not Located	383	29	162	1802	1-169, with obverse	Court Councilor. Contentius' report of the inspection of Mennonite and Colonist (Lutheran) colonies. Description of their economic condition. Exclusion of certain undesirable colonists from them.
Not Located	383		433	1849	1-3, 21-38, 49-73, 101-118, 125-128, 196-206, 386-388, with obverse	Part I. Dept. of Rural Husbandry, Ministry of State Domain. Dispatch of Collegiate Assessor Lode to the Simbirsk Province to supervise the founding of new peasant villages on State land by State peasants.