

charged for the Slides his raft had actually passed through, and not have to pay for the Government Chaudière Slide, *which he had not been able to use*, while at the same time he had to pay for Wright's Chaudière Slide, *which, from the state of the River at that time, he had been compelled to use*. Mr. Graham admitted the fact, and, Your Memorialist believes, will have no objection to certify it, that the raft could not get at the Government Slide, but said that his instructions did not allow of his omitting to charge it.

Your Memorialist therefore gave bond for the whole, but would respectfully beg that Your Excellency in Council would be pleased to take the circumstances into consideration, and direct that the amount charged for the Government Chaudière Slide should be remitted.

And Your Memorialist will ever pray.

Montreal, 24th July, 1848.

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I. G. O., CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT,
Montreal, Aug. 18th, 1848.

SIR,—The Inspector General having had the honour of bringing to His Excellency's notice the Memorial of John Supple, (transmitted through your hands,) praying that a certain amount of Slide dues charged at the Chaudière Slide may be refunded, on the ground that he *had not used* the said Slide, but nevertheless was called upon to pay at that work, as well as all those Slides *which he had actually used*.

I have the honour to acquaint you that full enquiry having been made into the merits of the Petition, it appears that no Tolls have ever been claimed from any party for a Slide through which his timber has not passed. The intention and practical operation of the Schedule of Slide Dues