

*cherville*, stiling themselves proprietors of an undivided part of an Island in the River *St. Lawrence*, dependant on the said *Seigneurie*, commonly called *l'Isle à la Commune*; whose names are thereunto subscribed; was presented to the House by Mr. *Mondelet*, and the same was received and read.

SETTING FORTH:—That they are joint proprietors of part of an island lying in the River *St. Lawrence*, making part of the *Seigneurie* of *Boucherville*, commonly called *l'Isle à la Commune*, that their rights therein, appear by deed of concession, bearing date the eighth day of July, in the year of Our LORD, one thousand six hundred and eighty, the same having been granted by *Pierre Boucher*, Esquire, deceased, to the said inhabitants, possessing the lands of the first concession of *Boucherville*, of which inhabitants, the Petitioners are legal Representatives; that 'till this day, the advantage of pasturing their cattle, has been the only one accruing to them from it; that the different regulations established by the Ordinances of the successive intendants of this country for that purpose, have never been put in force; that even these regulations at the present moment are not proper for the proprietors of the said island; the which they pray may be regulated by law, as well as the *usufruit* of the said island, by means of which, the said island shall be jointly possessed by those whose rights may be made to appear therein, for the purpose of pasturing their cattle only, and this according to such regulations which shall be provided for that purpose.

The petitioners therefore pray the House to permit, that a sketch of regulations, drawn up by the petitioners, adopted to their interest and local circumstances, be laid before the House, and that after having made such additions and amendments, which the House shall judge necessary, the same do make part of the laws of this Province, under such penalties which the House may order to be inflicted upon the parties contravening.

Mr. *Mondelet* moved, seconded by Mr. *Martineau*,

That the said petition be referred to a Committee of five Members,