

FIRST REPORT.

YOUR Committee being persuaded from the information given by the persons whose Evidence will be found in the Appendix, and from the information possessed by some of the Members of your Committee, that the opening of the Road prayed for by the Petition of divers Inhabitants of the Eastern Townships, situated in the County of Buckinghamshire, referred to your Committee, would be of great advantage to Agriculture by facilitating the means of settlement to numerous families, and thereby benefit both the said families and the public, have thought it proper to make it the subject of a first Report.

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Your Committee are of opinion that the present state of the settlement already formed, as well on the line of the Road prayed for, as on both banks of the River Becancour ; and the private labour of the Settlers and the expenses they have already incurred in opening the necessary communication with the old Settlements of the Saint Lawrence, form a good title to the assistance of the Legislature, and ensure the future keeping up and repairing of the Road prayed for. And further, that continuation of this Road (in a few years) from the River Becancour as far as Craig's Road, may be of still greater and more general utility.

That, lastly, moved by these considerations, your Committee are of opinion that it is expedient and desirable that the Legislature should grant a sum not exceeding Four hundred and seventy pounds currency, for opening a Road between the first and second ranges of the Townships of Blandford, from the rear line of the Seignior of Gentilly as far as the River Becancour.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

F. BLANCHET,

17th December 1828.

Chairman.