

5th. A transmission of the List by the Clerk of the Council to the Commissioners for taking their qualifications, under standing instructions for that purpose, within the time limited by an Act or Minute of Council.

6th. A Report from the Commissioner to the Council Office, whence those papers are to go into the hands of the Attorney General for his report to the Secretary's Office of the draft of a Patent.

7th. The Patent to be there engrossed and issued under the Great Seal, upon payment of the Fees due to all the Officers concerned, and to be accordingly distributed by the Secretary, who is to record the Patent, and preserve all the detached papers in due files.

After which it is recorded, that the Committee concur in the mode of proceeding aforementioned, suggested by the Chair.

And that this Report was finally concurred in Council.

From some cause which it were now useless to enquire into, it so happened that the progress proposed by the Chairman of that day, directly inverted the course commanded by His Majesty's Instructions: for it appears that by the progress proposed, the order for issuing a Warrant for the Return of a Survey, precedes the transmission of the List for taking the qualifications: whereas by His Majesty's Royal Instructions, N<sup>o</sup>. 35, it is expressly directed that, "In order to prevent any persons disaffected to us and our Government from becoming Settlers in our said Province of Lower-Canada, it is our will and pleasure, that no Warrants for surveying Lands be granted by you or the Lieutenant Governor or the person administering the Government for the time being, unless the person or persons applying do, at the time of making such application, besides taking the usual Oaths directed by Law, also make and subscribe the following Declaration in your or his presence, or in the presence of