

Uniacke, A Caron, and George Pyke, Esquires, but no answers have been received. We afterwards applied to Counsel, who told us, that although our claims appeared well founded, there were no means of enforcing them in a Court of Law by an Action.

Q. What are the names of the Indian Villages of Lower-Canada ?

A. Iroquois, Sault St. Louis, (Great Fire or Council); Hurons, Lorette; Iroquois and Algonquins, Lac des deux Montagnes; Iroquois, St. Régis; Abenakis, St. François; Abenakis, Bécancour.

Q. By what Titles do you hold the Lots on which your Houses are built in the village of Lorette, and the land you possess ?

A. We have no Titles, but those given in: Mr. Berthelot, Agent to the Jesuits' Estates, demanded rents, but we refused. He threatened to prosecute: we wished him to do so: but no prosecutions have taken place.

Q. What are the extent of your present claims and wishes ?

A. We make no claims but for our lands, and the means of educating our children.

ORDERED, That the Rev. Mr. Ant. Bedard, Priest and Missionary, be called before the Committee on Friday next, at ten o'clock, bringing with him the Registers of Births, Marriages and Burials of the Mission, from the earliest period.

ORDERED, That Mr. Ogden, a Member of the House, be also called before the Committee.

Adjourned 'till Friday the 5th instant, at ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, 5th February, 1819.

PRESENT :—Messieurs Neilson, (Chairman,) Taschereau, Davidson, Gauvreau, Vanfelson, Cuvillier, Bellet, and Blanchet.

The Rev. Mr. Antoine Bedard, Priest, Curate of St. Ambroise, and Missionary of the Hurons of Jeune Lorette, called in.

Q. Have you any knowledge that the Huron Indians now settled at Lorette, are the descendants of the Christian Indians formerly established at Sylleri ?

A. I know by the general tradition of the Parish, that the Indians now at Jeune Lorette, are the descendants of the Indians formerly established at Sylleri.

Q. Do the Registers of the Mission confirm that tradition ?

A. I have no Registers earlier than 1761. I think that those of an earlier date must have been deposited in the Prothonotary's