

investigation of all matters connected with the Wild Land Tax department of the Township of Delaware, and are of opinion, that a Report on one Township will be almost as satisfactory to the Council as a Report on two, and enable the Council to decide whether every Township in the District should be reported on or not.

Having copied a Map of the Township, your Commissioners, by searching in the Register Office, ascertained what Lands were rateable, and when they became rateable, and inserted the same in the accompanying Map, marked *Schedule A*, which shews the Lots, Concessions, Broken Fronts, acres patented, and date of Patents for the Township of Delaware; and on comparing the same with the Schedules from the Surveyor-General's Office for every year from 1820 to 1847, as in the Treasurer's Office, your Commissioners noticed entries in the Register Office, shewing that Patents were issued for the following Lots, that were not found in the Schedules in the Treasurer's Office, namely—

Lot 11,	Concession 1,	200 acres to King's College,	1828,
15,	"	2, 200 " to do.	"
2,	"	3, 200 " to Ebenezer Allen,	1798,
(4,	"	4, 100 " to James Mills,	1797; this one had been

entered, and the pen afterwards drawn across it.)

And noticed entries in the Schedules in the Treasurer's Office that Patents were issued for, the following Lots, that were not found entered in the Register Office, namely—

Lot 20,	Concession 1,	200 acres, previous to July,	1820,
3,	"	3, 200 " do.	do.
24,	"	4, 200 " do.	do.

The whole of the lands rateable are entered (those from the Register Office are in red ink) in the accompanying *Schedule B*, being a statement of rateable lands, in the Township of Delaware, shewing the lot, concession, and number of acres rateable; also the year in which they became rateable.

Your Commissioners next directed their attention to ascertain what lands rateable had been assessed since 1819; and on requesting the Treasurer to produce the copy, from the Clerk of the Peace, of the lands returned assessed, were informed that the returns from the Clerk of the Peace's office, only date back to 1829; and on examining the returns produced from 1829 onwards, in many instances they afforded a very imperfect statement of the number of acres assessed in each separate lot, sometimes shewing lot and acres, and no concession, sometimes concession and acres, and no lot, and at other times lot and concession and no acres, and the occupant's name is not given, and they are not entered in any regular manner, but just in the rotation in which they are in the assessment rolls. This was very unsatisfactory, and, as the Treasurer had no lists of lands assessed from 1820 to 1828, your Commissioners applied at the Office of the Clerk of the Peace, for the original assessment rolls, from 1820 to 1848, and were furnished with the rolls for these years,