

his friends could hear nothing more of it, as petitioner was informed this clerk was the only person from whom he could seek any information. Sometime after one of petitioner's neighbors got a deed for part of the east end, which proved that the clerk has been mistaken. My brother and cousin, on behalf of petitioner, called at the office in July 1843, and then made an arrangement to purchase. The rent and an instalment were to be paid as soon after harvest as the wheat could be got to market. Petitioner was well satisfied with this; but to his utter astonishment an ejectment was served on the second of August, not quite four weeks after the arrangement was made. On the first of the following month (September), my brother tendered the rent and part of the instalment, when Hawkins told him he would take no money, as the place had gone out of petitioner's hands. After the ejectment was served, a petition was forwarded to your honorable council, which petition petitioner believes was never presented, although it was returned accompanied by a letter from the bursar stating that "the council would have nothing to do with it." Petitioner then consulted a lawyer, who advised him to enter a defence against the process of ejectment. Plaintiff's council tried to make it appear that petitioner wished to defraud the college of its rights. This petitioner solemnly declares he never had the most distant idea of, and would appeal to Mr. Duggan for a corroboration of this assertion. Petitioner would beg to say, that he can get everything herein stated proved upon oath, and confidently hopes that your honorable council will see that petitioner has been unjustly treated by Hawkins, and that the petitioner has the right of pre-emption to the lot, which will justify your honorable council in revoking any sale which may be made, and that you will grant petitioner a deed on the usual terms, and as in duty bound petitioner will ever pray.

(Signed) JOHN GRAHAM,
West half lot 15, 2nd con. east Toronto.

COPY OF A LETTER FROM PROFESSOR CROFT TO THE REV. DR. M'CAUL.

SIR,—As you were kind enough to inform me that my name has been mentioned in the evidence taken before the Committee in relation to the post-office accounts, I beg leave to send you, in explanation, the following particulars:—

As soon as I arrived in Toronto, I ordered a box (No. 288) at the post-office, and requested the University messenger to fetch my letters for me. Beyond my English letters, all of which are pre-paid, and those from Macpherson & Crane in Montreal, on College business, I do not think I have received six letters since I have been in the country.

On making enquiries some time since at the post-office, I could obtain no private account, as they had been in the habit of putting my letters at once into the University box; but as all my letters, excepting those on College business, have been prepaid, the University could have been at no expense on my account, excepting for some magazines, all of which were in my possession, with the postage marked on each. I calculated the amount, which was 12s. 1d., and requested Dr. Boys to receive it, which he, however, refused to do, stating that he had no orders to that effect.

The mistake has arisen from the neglect of the clerks in the post-office.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

(Signed)

Your very obedient servant,

HENRY CROFT.