

To such an extent is St. Johns a centre of business, that its Post Office is in direct communication with twenty-six other offices; it is moreover the distributing office for the Southern part of the St. Lawrence, and despatches every day four regular mails. Thirteen Parishes and two Townships are connected with St. Johns for Judicial purposes, and a similar number may be enumerated as having with St. Johns relations of a Commercial nature.

St. Johns contains three educational establishments of a superior character, where the French and English languages are taught; two of which are for boys and the other for girls. It is proper to remark here that Government, convinced of the importance of St. Johns, appears disposed to favor the cause of education here by special grants which form part of the estimates to be submitted to the Legislature in the course of the present Session. We have only to add, in order to afford as complete as possible an insight into the business done at St. Johns, that, in the course of one year, no less than two hundred thousand (200,000) minots of grain of every kind were bought in the St. Johns market, and exported to the United States, not to mention the quantity purchased for home consumption.

St. Johns possesses moreover, a Railroad terminus, and is situate at the head of a canal and upon the shores of Lake Champlain, thereby presenting easy communication with all parts of Canada and the United States.

Such is a description of St. Johns, rendered with all possible fairness and as much exactness in its details as it is in our power to afford.

It appears to us that reason and justice unite in asserting that it would certainly be an absurdity, any longer to refuse to a locality of such importance, some influence in the representation of its County, and in the choice of a Member to represent its interests in Parliament.

The object of the Petition accompanying the present Memorial, and addressed by us to the Legislature, is to put