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STATEMENT BY WILLIAM DUNN.

Township of Downie, Huron District,

22nd Sept. 1842.

I emigrated to Canada in 1835, having come from the County of Northumberland, in England. I lived near Rothbury in that county, but latterly I was in the employ of Mr. Joseph Hopper, merchant and miller, Squirrel Mills, Newcastle-on-Tyne; I was in this gentleman's employment when I left. My family only consisted of my wife, but I have four children since I came here. My father-in-law, John Gibb, (who also lived near Rothbury) with his son George, emigrated to Canada in 1834, and settled in this township, and they wrote home to me and his son-in-law George Wood, giving a description of the country, and particularly of this place, and we resolved to follow them.

When I arrived at the village of Stratford (which is about two miles from my farm) I had not a cent, but I was owing George Wood seventy-five dollars for advances made to me, but this sum I have long since paid. Being a farm servant and labourer at home, and understanding a little of the milling business, I soon found profitable employment here (for I did not locate myself on land when I came) and at the grist and saw mill at Stratford. In the fall of 1837, I bought out the interest of a settler in lot No. 5 in the second concession of this township, consisting of 100 acres, but there was not a tree chopped on it. I paid 110 dollars