

"Witnesseth, that the said John W. Arbuckle and Catharine, his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars of lawful money of Canada to the said John W. Arbuckle and Catherine, his wife, in hand well and truly paid, at or before the ensembling and delivery of these presents, by the said John Costigan, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, released, conveyed, and confirmed; and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, alien, release, convey and confirm unto the said John Costigan, his heirs and assigns, all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land and premises situate, lying and being in the 'Parish of Perth, County of Carleton,' now in the Parish of Gordon, in the County of Victoria, and Province of New Brunswick, and bounded as follows, namely: Commencing at a stake placed on the east bank or shore of the Tobique River, east from the head of Island No. 6, being the first island above the mouth of the River Wapskahegan, thence south 67 degrees east 82 chains, thence south 23 degrees west 18 chains to the north bank or shore of the Wapskahegan stream, thence down said stream and up the Tobique to the place of beginning, known as lot "G," containing 140 acres more or less, being the same property deeded by one Georgiana Wilson to the said John W. Arbuckle by deed dated May 29th, A.D. 1870, and recorded in Book "F" on pages 700 and 701 on the 5th August, 1871.

"Together with all houses, outhouses, barns, buildings, edifices, fences, improvements, profits, privileges, and appurtenances to the same belonging, or in any manner appertaining; and the reversion and reversions remainder, and remainders, rents, issues, and profits thereof. And also all the estate, right, title, dower and title to dower, interest, use, possession, property, claim, and demand, either at law or in equity of the said John W. Arbuckle and Catherine his wife, of, in, to or out of the same and every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances to have and to hold the said described lot, piece or parcel of land and premises hereby granted; bargained, and sold or meant, mentioned or intended so to be, and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances unto the said John Costigan, his heirs and assigns to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of the said John Costigan, his heirs and assigns, for ever.

"In witness whereof the said John W. Arbuckle and Catherine, his wife, have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written.

"JOHN W. ARBUCKLE.

"CATHERINE ARBUCKLE.

"Signed, Sealed and

"Delivered in the presence of

"J. C. McCLUSKY."

*By Mr. Mulock :*

Q. What was the date and the year?

The CHAIRMAN—12th May, 1890.

Mr. COSTIGAN—Now, I stated before, following up the history of this transaction, that when the first subsidy was granted, when the subsidy was re-arranged, and in fact up to that date—up to the date of the purchase of the property under that deed—I stated, and I repeat, that I had no interest in one foot of land either as a freehold or leasehold, as a mining privilege, or in any other way in that section of the country. I bought that property, I am sorry to say, not with my own money. I discounted a note, raised the money on it, sent it down and bought the property in that way; private property that passed out of the Crown in 1837 by grant to one Eccles. Yes, July, 1837. That was the first time I became interested in any property in that section of the country. That I state as an explanation. I have no excuse to offer for buying a piece of private property along that line of railway or in any other part of the country. The Government lands still remained where they were, with this exception, that the Government of New Brunswick had given a lease of all their gypsum lands to another company. I forget the names, but there were some of them that were friends of the Government; some of them members of the Local Legislature. They gave a lease of their lands to a company, in which I had no interest, of course consistent with the policy laid down by