

SECOND REPORT of the COMMISSION of INDEMNIFICATION, under 1 Vict. c. 7.
February 1839.

To his Excellency Lieutenant-General Sir John Colborne, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, and of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, Governor-General of all Her Majesty's Provinces on the Continent of North America, and of the Islands of Prince Edward and Newfoundland, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of Lower Canada, Upper Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and their several Dependencies, Vice-Admiral of and in the same, and Commander of all Her Majesty's Forces in the said Province of Lower and Upper Canada.

THE Commissioners appointed under the authority of the Provincial Ordinance, 1 Vict. c. 7, intituled, "An Ordinance to authorize the Appointment of Commissioners to investigate the Claims of certain loyal Inhabitants of this Province for Losses sustained during the late unnatural Rebellion," beg leave respectfully to submit to your Excellency the Second or Supplementary Report of their proceedings under the said Commission, as contained in the following pages.

The number of cases contained in the Report now submitted to your Excellency is 34; the pecuniary amount claimed is 13,195 *l.* 9 *s.* currency, and the amount awarded 3,723 *l.* 11 *s.* currency, showing a saving to Government of 9,471 *l.* 18 *s.* currency.

Montreal, }
18 February 1839. }

(signed) P. E. Leclerc.
E. A. Clark.
C. Tait.

NAMES of PERSONS who claimed COMPENSATION before the Commissioners, and the
Amount of their Claims.

(No. 11.)

The Hon. P. D. Debartzch, of St. Charles.

THIS is a claim by the Honourable Pierre Dominique Debartzch, seignior of St. Charles, for compensation for losses sustained in consequence of the occupation of his property by the rebels under Thomas Storrow Brown, in November 1837; whence they were dislodged by a detachment of Her Majesty's troops, under the command of Colonel Wetherall, c. n., on the 25th of the same month.

The claimant's dwelling-house and premises were injured by the rebels during their occupation, and in the successful attack of the position by Colonel Wetherall, the dwelling-house received further injury. The farm-houses and barns, and their contents, were consumed by fire; and other buildings belonging to the claimant were unavoidably included in the conflagration. These several losses form the basis of the claim for compensation from Her Majesty's Government.

Mr. Debartzch having presented a petition to the Earl of Gosford, dated 10th January 1838, making application for a loan against an alleged loss sustained of 6,000 *l.*, the application was referred to the executive council on the 23d of the same month, and he received the sum of 1,000 *l.* currency, as such advance, on the 24th of that month.

Arbitrators were appointed by the Earl of Gosford and the claimant, to estimate the general amount of damage sustained, viz. the Honourable Francis Ward Primrose, on the part of the Government