

and the right of fishing, hunting and trading with the Indians; His Majesty hath ratified and confirmed the said grant; his pleasure being that the Sieur LeBer de Senneville, his heirs or assigns, shall enjoy the extent of land above described, for ever as their own property, as a Fief and Seignior, with superior mean and inferior jurisdiction, the right of fishing, hunting and trading with the Indians throughout the whole extent of the said grant, according to and in conformity with the title which was granted therefor by the said Sieurs de la Jonquière and Bigot, without being bound, by reason thereof, to pay to His Majesty or to the Kings his successors any money or indemnity, His Majesty having remitted the same to him, to whatever sum they may amount, on condition that he shall render fealty and homage at the Castle of St. Louis at Quebec, of which the said Fief shall be held, and on payment of the other ordinary dues according to the Custom of Paris followed in the said country; that the appeals from the Judge who shall be established there, shall lie before the Jurisdiction of Montreal; on the condition also that he shall preserve and cause his tenants to preserve the oak fit for the construction of His Majesty's ships; that he shall disclose to His Majesty or to the Governor and Intendant of the said Country the mines, mining places or minerals, if any there be in the said grant; that he shall improve it and keep and cause his tenants to keep house and home thereon, in default whereof it shall be re-united to His Majesty's Domain; that he shall leave the necessary roads for the public use, and that he shall cause like conditions to be inserted in the concessions which he may grant to his tenants, subject to the payment of the customary *cens, rentes* and dues for each arpent in front by forty in depth. That he shall leave the beaches free to all fishermen, except those which the Sieur LeBer de Senneville may require for his own fisheries; and in case His Majesty should hereafter require any portion of the said land for the purpose of constructing forts, batteries, strongholds, magazines and other public works, he may take possession of the same, as well as of the trees which may be necessary for the said public works, and for firewood for the garrison of the said Forts, with out being bound to pay any compensation therefor; and His Majesty also reserves to himself the right of taking from the said grant, the oak, masts, and generally all the timber which may be fit for the construction and equipment of his ships, also without being bound to pay any compensation for the same; His Majesty's pleasure being that the said grant shall be subject to the conditions above set forth, without any exceptions whatever on pretence that such conditions have not been stipulated in the said grant. And in testimony of His Majesty's pleasure, I am commanded by him to issue the present Letters Patents, which shall be enregistered in the office of the Superior Council of Quebec; His Majesty having been pleased to sign the same, and to have them countersigned by me, the Keeper of the Seals of France, Secretary of State and of his Commands and Finance.

(Signed,)

LOUIS,

(Signed,)

MACHAULT.

Ratification of the grant of the Post de la Baie, in favor of the Sieur Rigaud de Vaudreuil and his wife.

Dated 15th January, 1760.

Extract from the
French Register
of Enregistrations,
Letter B,
page 476.

This fifteenth day of January, one thousand seven hundred and sixty, the King being at Versailles, and wishing to confirm and ratify a grant made on the fifteenth of October, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-nine, by the Marquis de Vaudreuil, Governor and Lieutenant General of New-France, and the Sieur Bigot, Intendant of the said country to the