

vernor Parr, as Agents to the Fifty-five, who were recommended also for 5000 acres each, and to the privilege of locating their lands wherever they pleased. These Agents sailed from Sandy Hook, August 8th, 1783, to Nova Scotia, leaving at New-York Thomas Knox and William Taylor, a Committee of Correspondence. The Loyalists about this time discovered the art and designs of the Fifty-five : a meeting of them was held immediately ; when they agreed upon, and appointed a Committee to present, a Memorial to the Commander in Chief, of which the following is a copy :

No. III.

To His Excellency Sir GUY CARLETON, Knight of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, General and Commander in Chief, &c. &c.

The Memorial of the Subscribers

Humbly sheweth,

THAT your Memorialists, having been deprived of very valuable landed estates, and considerable personal properties, without the lines, and being also obliged to abandon their possessions in this city, on account of their loyalty to their Sovereign, and attachment to the British constitution, and seeing no prospect of their being reinstated, had determined to remove with their families, and settle in his Majesty's province of Nova-Scotia, on the terms which they understood were held out *equally* to all his Majesty's persecuted subjects.

That your Memorialists are much alarmed at an application which they are informed Fifty-five persons have joined in to your Excellency, soliciting a recommendation for tracts of land in that province, amounting together to *two hundred and seventy-five thousand acres*, and that they have dispatched forward Agents to survey the unlocated lands, and select the most fertile spots and desirable situations.

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