

A P P E N D I X (A.)

Report to the Grand Voyer of the District of Quebec, upon the opening of a Road of Communication between Saint Paul's Bay and the Parish of Saint Joachim in the County of Northumberland.

SIR,

Having been charged by you with the execution of the second Section of an Act passed in the last Session of the Provincial Parliament relating to the improvement of the internal communications in the Province, and especially with superintending the opening of a Road of communication between Saint Paul's Bay and Saint Joachim or Saint Féréol, I experienced some embarrassment from this circumstance that the Act authorising the change of the directions which had been fixed by an anterior *Procès Verbal* of J. T. Taschereau, Esquire, heretofore Deputy Grand Voyer, did not distinctly enounce upon whose judgment, and with what formalities that change was to be made, and that the Gentlemen of the Seminary insisted upon the adoption of Mr. Taschereau's Road, whereas on the part of the Inhabitants of the Parishes in the lower part of the County of Northumberland the strongest and most unanimous representations rejected that Road as being in every respect disadvantageous. I felt it to be proper to supply the silence of the Law, by requiring, by means of notifications made at the Doors of several Churches, the attendance, in person or by Deputy, of all persons interested, at a meeting announced, for the purpose of giving their opinions and every necessary information for my guidance. At the meeting holden in consequence, the question of the choice of a Road was fully discussed, and the opinion, which was an unanimous one, except on the part of the Seminary, was that that direction ought clearly to be preferred which was the most direct between St. Paul's Bay and St. Joachim, whereupon adopting as the Base of that Direction the path opened some years ago by Messrs. Nairne and Fraser, Seigneurs of Malbaie, and at their expence, several projects relating to the expence of the *départ* and of the *about* of the said Road were proposed, that is to say, some persons wished that the said Road should begin at the Village of St. Antoine de la Baie, and following the *revers* of the Capes, should lead to the Côte de la Friponne in St. Joachim. Whereas other persons proposed that the said Road should begin at the little River, and as-

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