

the Commercial Property in this Province, whether belonging to the Merchants of Great Britain or Canada, is almost wholly represented by the Petitioners of 1784, an Estimate of which was submitted to the Honourable Legislative Council in their Session of 1787, amounting to the Sum of One Million Two hundred and Forty-six thousand and Twenty-three Pounds Six Shillings and Eight Pence. Your Memorialists beg Leave further to add, that the extensive and valuable Possessions of the numerous Loyalists and others lately settled in this Province, and which are daily increasing, are not reckoned or comprehended in any of the foregoing Estimates.

That the Opposition made by the Petition of the 13th of October last to that of November 1784, being thus founded on mistaken Principles, and on supposed Facts which do not exist, must necessarily lose that Weight which it might otherwise have had by the Sanction of some respectable Names.

Your Petitioners, therefore, unite with their Opponents in praying that your Lordship will be pleased to report and characterize both Parties in such a Manner as will shew to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to the British Parliament, the true Importance, Possessions, and Interests of the One and of the other.

And your Petitioners as in Duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

Montreal, the 1st of December 1788.

JAMES M'GILL.
JOHN M'KINDLAY.
RICHARD DOBIE.
SIMON M'TAVISH.
JAMES WALKER.
ALEX^R AULDJO.
NICHOLAS BAYARD.
JAMES FINLAY.
THOMAS M'CORD.

Quebec, the 5th of Dec^r 1788.

JAMES JOHNSTON.
GEORGE ALLSOPP.
ROBERT LESTER.
MATHEW LYMBURNER.
JN^O PAINTER.
JOHN YOUNG.
J. BLACKWOOD.
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W^M GOODALL.