

Company especially, as well as all who are interested in gold operations in the Seigniory. I am glad to learn that the position of the De Lery Company, has been of late much improved, and that recent legislation has enabled it to arrange satisfactorily some troublesome law suits. On the suspension of work by the *independent* miners, Government very properly decided to withdraw the inspector from the Chaudière, as also the police force, but I am informed that when operations are resumed on the extensive scale proposed, and should circumstance require it, all necessary protection will be afforded. In conclusion, I may say that Mr. Lockwood has evidence, that up to this date, not less than \$700,000 of gold has been taken from the Chaudière, and that the work has been done so carelessly and unscientifically, that it would pay well to go over the same ground again. I have had ample evidence that during the eighteen months ending in March 1859, Messrs Glover & Fry of Quebec, purchased from independent diggers in the Seigniory of Rigaud de Vaudreuil, 999 oz. of gold which they remitted to England, and which proved to be of the value of \$17,500.

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