

MINUTES OF EVIDENCE BEFORE THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON

Jos. Pouchette How much would it cost to open and complete this Road? Becanc
Esqr. what is its length; from what point on the Saint Lawrence to mor
ought it to commence, and how far would it be necessary to carry themse
11 Dec. 1828. it?—I cannot exactly tell the distance. I think it is about 5 or Do t
6 leagues; it would require from £30 to £36 currency pe number
mile, provided the money was economically employed. mand t

What is about the Sum already expended on the said Road? selves o
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Would any other public advantages than those already men- What
tioned in your answers, attend the opening of this Road?—Yes prefer;
besides those of which I have just spoken, it is sufficient to refe the mos
to the map of the Province to be convinced of the utility of con before
tinuing such a Road as far as Craig's Road, the distance of which ships ap
from the River Becancour does not exceed six leagues within th act, it i
Township of Tingwick: from this point, the communication What
between the Eastern Townships and Quebec, may be estimate form the
at 30 leagues by Craig's Road, and at about 29 leagues by th ready f
Road passing through Gentilly, of which there are 12 leagues o Becancou
land carriage, and the remainder by the River Saint Lawrence ay how
which considerably facilitates the conveyance of goods by mean exceed f
of the River and the Steam Boats; and further, the opening Is the
the Road prayed for, will open a communication with and facili Road; an
tate the formation of numerous Settlements in this interesti mentione
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Mr. Charles Turgeon, called in, and examined :

Mr. Are you acquainted with the Townships of Stanfold, Bu- the Coun
Chs. Turgeon strode, Blandford and Maddington?—I am but little acquainted with the c
11 Dec. 1828. with the Townships of Bulstrode and Stanfold, but tolerab Township
well with those of Blandford and Maddington. felves of c
they have

Are the soil and situation of these Townships favourable for the St. La
agricultural Settlements?—The River Becancour runs through felt by th
the middle of these Townships, that is to say: between Stanfold means mar
fold and Bulstrode on one side, and Blandford and Maddington those who
ton on the other. This River waters a spacious plain, in which opening o
lie several other Townships besides those above mentioned: th facilitate th
Plain is rendered fertile by many small streams running into th