

Q. 14. What is your opinion of it? Is it fair and equitable, the representation of the other parts of the Province standing at fifty?

A. No. I think it more than the people require, they could not at present find qualified persons to attend in that proportion.

Q. 15. What kind of Representation Bill do you think would be satisfactory to the people of the Townships?

A. I think they require a convenient division of the Country for the purpose of facilitating all the Inhabitants in attending the Elections; I do not think they require any extra proportion of Representatives.

Q. 16. What do you understand by an extra proportion of Representatives?

A. No more than their population in proportion to the rest of the Province, with some view to the local situation of several of the Settlements.

Q. 17. Can you give any information of what would meet their local circumstances?

A. I speak with reference to the Bill now before the House; I think that, in this Bill, all the Townships in the Province ought to have ten Members.

Q. 18. How could you apportion them?

A. The County of St. Francis, from Wendover up to Brompton Gore, both inclusive, the population I understand to be about four thousand souls—one member.

The next from Brompton to Compton, including the settlements in Eton, Hereford, Dudswell, Clifton, and other Townships, in which there are a few Settlers, about five thousand—one Member.

The next, Stanstead, Barnston, Hatley, Bolton and Potton, about ten thousand—two Members.

The next, Stukely, Ely, Shefford, Granby, Broome and Farnham, about six thousand—one Member.

The next, Durham, Stanbridge, Sutton and Saint Armand, about nine thousand—two Members.

The next, Beauharnois, as it stands in the Bill—two Members.

The next, the Townships on the Ottawa, about four thousand—one Member.

The Townships of Rawdon, Kildare, &c., to stand as in the Bill.

The Townships on the Chaudière, according to my Estimate, amount to about one thousand four hundred souls, I think they ought, from their insulated situation, to have one Representative.

Q. 19. Do you think that if this scheme was introduced in the Bill as it now stands in other respects, it would be fair and considered as satisfactory by the majority of the Inhabitants of the Townships?

A. I do.

Q. 20. Does it suit the convenience of the present state of the Settlements?

A. It does.

Q. 21. How would you provide for any future increase of the Representation?

A. The Townships unsettled, or who have very few inhabitants not included in the above scheme, might be set off into Counties to have Representation.