

"rendering Lands under the said Act to obtain a Grant thereof in Free and Common Soccage, such conditions may be imposed on such Seigneur, in conformity to the said Act, as may preserve entire the right of the Subject to a Grant of said Waste Lands, at the usual *Redevanes* or dues and conditions."

Which was accordingly done, and the said Address Ordered.

That the said Address was presented to His Excellency on the third day of March instant, and that His Excellency was graciously pleased to give the following Answer :

"I shall pay every attention to the subject of this Address, when any exchange of the Seigniorial Tenure shall come under my consideration."

Your Committee next proceeded to take into their serious consideration the gracious Message of His Excellency the Governor in Chief to the House, bearing date the 21st day of February last, and the offer from the Surveyor General of the Province to the Government, of the plates of his Maps of Canada, recommended by His Excellency to the favorable consideration of the House.

Your Committee examined the Surveyor General upon the subject of the Reference, they caused to be laid before them and carefully perused the Message of His Excellency the Governor in Chief dated 28th February 1821, also the Report of the Special Committee to whom the said Message was referred, bearing date the 7th March 1821, also the Report of a Special Committee dated 15th March 1819 on a Petition from the Surveyor General, recommended by His Grace the late Duke of Richmond the then Governor in Chief, also the Report of a Committee dated 16th January 1818, on a Petition from the Surveyor General recommended by Sir John Coape Sherbrooke the then Governor in Chief, also the Report of a Committee dated 4th March 1817, on a similar Petition from him, and likewise recommended by the then Governor in Chief Sir John Coape Sherbrooke.

Your Committee then caused to be laid before them the Map as improved by Lieutenant-Colonel Bouchette and the Original Documents and Plans referred to in his examination.

Your Committee satisfied that the improvements already made and those contemplated by Lieutenant-Colonel Bouchette would be of great utility, deliberated upon his proposal to assign over to the Province the original Plates as well of his large Map of Lower-Canada, as of his general Maps of Lower & Upper-Canada, and the neighbouring Countries, for the price which the same cost him, & to complete in the course of the next six months his improved large Map of Lower-Canada, receiving as a remuneration for his labour & trouble, a sum making with the before mentioned cost of the said Plates the sum of fifteen hundred pounds, or that he would be willing to assign over to the Province the said improved Map engaging to complete the same as before, upon receiving the said cost of the Plates and as a remuneration for his said trouble one half of the impression free from the expense of the Engraving, Printing and Stationary.

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