

are, or are not, at the present time, to be considered as solemn declarations of public faith, imperatively requiring and binding Government to complete its voluntary engagements with Laporte ; or are to be viewed and treated as documents of no import, wholly nugatory, both in spirit and in letter, and embodying no pledge or act in which the unspotted faith and unsullied honour of the Crown stands in danger of being irreparably compromised ?

*Thirdly.*—Whether the contract of sale made by the Crown upon its own terms and conditions to Laporte, the same essentially and formally complete both in legal character and effect, is now upon the broad and even basis of equity to be denied and refused him ; and let it then be asked, in virtue of what given principle of law or justice could such measure be rendered justifiable ? Or, is the Government of the country honourably repudiating all subservient motives and purposes, now prepared by one act of magnanimity to redeem its pledge, and grant to an humble but loyal subject of Her Majesty, a due, full, and final confirmation of his rights ?

In the concluding part of this Remonstrance, would Mr. Laporte, by an earnest and direct appeal to the justice of Her Majesty's Government, as representing in his person the acknowledged rights of the party who, in the whole course of these procrastinated proceedings, has been individually, and virtually recognized by the Crown as justly entitled to an equitable preference, humbly solicit that the Government, in the gracious exercise of its good faith, and the honorable redemption of its pledge, confirm, by a delivery of Her Majesty's Letters Patent to Laporte, the concession and permanent grant already made him of the property in question.

Finally, in the respectful but firm assertion of his rights and claims upon Government, Mr. Laporte, in virtue of the present Remonstrance, enters his humble and most solemn protest against any act or measure on the part of the Crown, which would rescind the contract of sale legally made to him by Her Majesty's Government upon his acceptance at a fixed valuation of the Beach lot situate at *L'anse des Meres*, within the Royal Domain, or which would deprive him, in his character of Vendee, of the occupation and possession of the property in question, and which he has retained for a long period of time, and still retains by and under favour of the Crown.