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Seigniorial Act of 1854.

DETERMINATION OF THE PRICE TO BE PAID BY SEIGNIOR AND CENSITAIRE FOR THE COMMUTATION OF THE TENURE OF THEIR PROPERTY.

II. It shall be lawful for the Governor to appoint Commis- Governor to sioners under this Act, and from time to time to remove them, appoint Comand to appoint others in the place of any so removed, or dying musioners. or resigning office ; and each of the said Commissioners shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe, before a Judge of the Superior Court, the following oath :

"], , swear that I will faithfully, and without Their oath of " partiality, fear, favor or affection, perform my duty as Com- office. " missioner under the Seigniorial Act of 1854."

III. The said Commissioners shall receive for their ser- Renuneration. vices under this Act, and for their necessary expenses and disbursements, such compensation as shall be allowed to them respectively by the Governor, and no other fees or emoluments whatsoever.

IV. Each of the said Commissioners shall and may act as Commissuch in any part of Lower Canada, and they shall be aiding sioners to act in the Seito each other, so that any one of them, if need be, may con- gniories astinue and complete the work begun by any other of them; signed to them but subject to this provision the Governor may, from time to respectively. time, assign the Seigniory or Seigniories in and for which each of them shall act.

V. It shall be the duty of each of the said Commissioners They shall to value the several rights hereinafter mentioned, with regard make a Scheto each Seigniory which shall be assigned to him as aforesaid dule of each by the Governor, and to draw up in tabular form in triplicate, a shewing: Schedule of such Seigniory, shewing :

1. The total value of the Seigniory, that is to say of all the pro- The total perty and Incrative rights which the Seignior holds as such, value of the whether as Seignior *dominant* of any field held of him as such Seigniory; Seignior or otherwise, including in such total value, the value of the rights of the Crown;

2. The value of the rights of the Crown in the Scigniory, in- The value of cluding the value of the droit de quint, and all other valuable the rights of the Crown rights of the Crown therein as Seignior dominant, or by reason therein; of any reservation in the original grant of the Seigniory, and any difference between the absolute value in *franc-aleu roturier* of all unconceded lands, waters and water powers in the Seigniory, and appertaining thereto, and the value of the Seignior's rights therein, as they may be ascertained by the decisions of the Judges, under the provisions bereinafter made :

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