

the said works to be terminated within a space of two years, subject also to the condition of fealty and homage (*foi et hommage*) which the said Sieurs Ecclesiastics of the Seminary, their successors and assigns shall be held to perform at the Castle of St. Lewis in Quebec and which they shall hold under the customary duties and dues and agreeably to the custom of the Prevotship and Vicomty of Paris followed in this country and that the appeals from the decisions of the Judge who may be established at the said place, shall lie before the Judges of the Royal Jurisdiction of Montreal, that they shall keep and cause to be kept house and home (*feu et lieu*) on the said concession that they shall preserve their oak timber fit for ship-building which may be found upon the land, which the said Ecclesiastics shall have set aside for their principal Manor house, and that they shall also stipulate the reserve of such oak timber within the extent of the private concessions made or to be made to their tenants, which said oak timber His Majesty shall be free to take, as well as the said land or any part thereof, without being held to pay any indemnity, also that they shall give notice to the King or to the Governors or Intendants of this country, of the mines, ores, or minerals, if any be found within the limits of the said fief, and leave the necessary road, ways, and passages, that they shall concede the said uncleared lands under the simple title of a rent of twenty sols and a Capon for each and every arpent of land in front by forty arpents in depth and six *deniers* of *cens* and that there shall not be inserted in the said Concessions any sum of money or any other charge than that of the simple title of rent, according to the intentions of His Majesty, from whom they shall be held to obtain the ratification of these presents within a year of its date, failing this, this concession to be null.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto put our hands and affixed our seal-at-arms and have had the same countersigned by our Secretaries.

Done at Quebec this seventeenth day of October, 1717.

Signed: Vaudreuil Begon, and below by their Lordships de L'Etasge and Barbel,

(True Copy).

BEGON.

(Translation.)

LOUIS, by the Grace of God, King of France and of Navarre, to all to whom these Presents shall come,—GREETING:

Our dear and Well-Beloved, the Ecclesiastics of the Company of Jesus residing in la Nouvelle France, having very respectfully caused to be represented to us, that the lands of the Prairie de la Magdelaine, which have been conceded to them, are too swampy to be cultivated and procure them the means to support the Iroquois who are established there, and as it is to be feared that they might withdraw therefrom, were we not pleased to grant them the land called the Sault, containing two leagues of frontage, beginning at a point opposite the Rapids of St. Louis, ascending along the lake in similar depth, also two Islands, Islets and the Beach, lying opposite and adjoining the lands of the said Prairie de la Magdelaine, which enable them not only to hold back the Iroquois, but also to augment their number and propagate more extensively the faith and the gospel.

Therefore, desirous of contributing to the conversion and instruction of the said Iroquois and to act favourably towards the said Petitioners, We have given them and we do give them by these Presents, to which we have affixed our sign Manual, the said piece of land called the Sault, containing two leagues of frontage, commencing at a point opposite the St. Louis Rapids, ascending along the lake in similar depth, with two Islands and Islets and the beach lying opposite and adjoining the lands of the said Prairie de la Magdelaine, on the condition that the said tract of land called the Sault will revert to us all cleared, when the said Iroquois will leave it. Granting permission to all those who ever it may please to do so, to convey rings, knives, or any other kind of pedlar's ware, forbidding and prohibiting the French who may reside with the Iroquois or any other Indian Nation, and who may