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STATEMENT BY ANDREW RIDDELL, JUNIOR.

South Easthope, Huron Tract,
19th Sept. 1842.

I came from Berwickshire, in Scotland, from near the town of Lauder. I settled in this township in the summer of 1832, when this and the adjoining township began to be settled. There were but few indeed had emigrated to this quarter previous to this year, and if I recollect well, the main road to Goderich between these townships was only begun to be cut out, two years before this. At any rate it was not altogether finished in 1832, for I was employed that year on it. A sleigh or bush road had been previously tracked out, but the main road I refer to is sixty-six feet wide, the trees on which breadth were all cut down, and burned or hauled off the road, and crossways made with logs, where there were wet spots. This road is in length from the east end of the Huron Tract to Goderich about fifty-eight miles.

I had no family then, except my wife, (I have now six children,) and for some years we lived in what is called a "a Shanty," being a small house built of logs, and notched down at the corners, and having a shed-roof, or a roof sloping one way only. I settled on Lots 16 and 17, in the first concession of this township, fronting the road above mentioned, and containing 100 acres each, and having a good creek (or "burn," as we call it in Scotland) running through part of the lots. The price of this land was 12