

Certified by Louis O. Bourget, Notary Public, to have been duly read and explained to Collin and "that he fully and perfectly understood the same."

*Joseph Larocque, Sen.*—Declaration, 14th February, 1881.

"About seventeen years ago I settled upon, took up according to the Red River custom, and built upon the land now known in the Government of Canada Surveys as lot number seven (7) in the River belt in the Parish of St. Agathe."

"I lived with my family for some time in the house which I built on said land, and one of my sons was born in said house; his name is Joseph Elie, and he will be sixteen (16) years of age in March next."

"About a year after I had settled on the land in question my son-in-law, Joseph Goudon, who had been away in the plains, returned and determined to settle down on land next to mine, that is to say, between my land and that of the Hudson's Bay Company, and as I was anxious to have him settle down I gave him my house and the land in question, and moved across the Red River to the east side and built on the lot of land which is now known as lot 2."

"My son-in-law, Joseph Goudon, with his family, settled down and built himself a house and other buildings on the land now known as lot five (5) which was next to the Hudson's Bay Company's land and next to the *coulé*, and during all the time I lived opposite to him *he occupied the building and land which I gave him, and he built another building on the said land for the accommodation of his cattle, and was in peaceable and sole possession and occupation of the said land and buildings at the time of the transfer and up to the time when he sold the same to Mr. Clarke, the Attorney General of Manitoba.*"

"The said land and building was given by me to my son-in-law voluntarily and as a free gift, and was always occupied by him with my full knowledge and consent till he sold the same to Mr. Clarke."

Certified by Louis O. Bourget, Notary Public, as in case of *Collin*.

*Augustin Gosselin.*—Declaration 25th November, 1880.

"I know the land the subject of this application and have known the same for the last seventeen or eighteen years." I know Joseph Goudon and his father-in-law, Joseph Larocque.

"I remember the time when the said Joseph Larocque settled on the land now lot 7, the subject of this application; it was about eighteen years ago. He built a house on the said land and lived there for about one year. One of his sons was born in said house, who