

## A P P E N D I X (A.)

whole Ten miles, for £343 10. Currency. The conditions of the Contracts passed between the said persons and myself were that by the 1st. of the November of the year now last past, the said Road and Côte should be open and practicable; that they should be of the breadth of twelve feet, for Horses in Summer and for Sleighs or Carioles in Winter. Martineau has fulfilled his engagements sufficiently well, but I regret that I cannot say as much of Goodenough, from whom I have detained a part of the Sum stipulated in the Contract. The Road however is used, and would be so still more, if it had been possible thereon to build a few huts here and there for the reception of man and beasts, and for protecting them from the rigours of the weather.

The expences incurred up to this moment, amount to £1100 Currency exclusive of my own expences, and fees which I trust will not be considered excessive when stated at £120, taking into consideration the difficulty of the Communications and the circumstances of that species of labour. I think it proper to add that the Sum of £500 or £600 would put the Road which is opened, in a state fit for the erection of huts for the reception of Travellers and their beasts, and even for inducing Families to settle there.

It is also proper to add that a free and an easy communication between that fertile part of the Province and the City of Quebec requires, 1st. the erection of a Bridge over the Great River Ste. Anne between St. Joachim and Ste. Anne; but as the erection of such a Bridge would be very expensive, and as the utility thereof would be general, it would seem unjust to charge the same wholly upon the neighbouring parishes, which are those of St. Joachim, Ste. Anne and St. Péreol. Such injustice would be greater with respect to the Parish last mentioned in particular, it being a concession of but small extent, and containing but few inhabitants, whereof the greater part are poor, and not in a condition to contribute to the expence of the said Bridge. I shall therefore humbly submit the necessity of adding one hundred or one hundred and fifty Pounds to the Fifty Pounds already allowed by the Commissioners appointed for the improvement of the internal communications of this District. 2d. That there ought to be opened a Road communicating between the foot of the Côte de la Triponne and the highway of the Farm called "*La petite Ferme du Séminaire*," in the said Parish of St. Joachim. 3d. That the Barriers which close the said highway ought to be removed.