

CHAPTER XIX.

RESERVE SURRENDERED.

IN ABSENCE OF CHIEF SAWYER A SURRENDER IS MADE—NO RESERVE MADE FOR LAND FOR WHICH HE HAD AN INDIAN DEED—REV. C. VAN DUSEN'S PETITION TO SIR WILLIAM EYRE—LETTER TO MR. PENNEFATHER, S.G.I.A.

In the summer of 1860, Chief Sawyer's services were required at Grand River, to aid the Rev. George M'Dougall, Missionary at that place; and, during his temporary absence from Owen Sound, a council was called at Newash, and proposals made by Mr. Pennefather for the Indians to surrender the remaining part of their reserved land at Owen Sound, in which proposals they did not concur. But, subsequently, a few of the Indians went down to Toronto, and surrendered the whole reserve, which now composes the township of Brooke, and the township of Sarawak; and in Chief Sawyer's absence, signed the Treaty, and, without his knowledge, surrendered the whole without making any provisions for him, or any reserve of the forty-three acres for which he held an Indian Deed, and on which he had expended so much money and hard labour in making improvements. Nor did they even