

"January last, with its enclosures, renewing your claims to compensation, for services as a Director of the Welland Canal Company, in the year 1835.

"His Excellency finds that the House of Assembly of Upper Canada, by whom you were appointed Director, named a Committee to investigate your claim to payment, for the services in question, and that the said Committee recommended that the sum of £250 should be paid to you therefor, but as no Supplies were granted during that Session, the recommendation of the Committee could not be carried into effect.

"His Excellency having considered your case, is of opinion, that as you were legally appointed a Director of the Welland Company, by a vote of the House of Assembly, and performed the duties of your office, you are justly entitled to compensation for the same, and he has accordingly been pleased to direct, that the sum of £250 be placed on the Estimates to be laid before Parliament, at the ensuing Session, as a compensation to you, for the services in question.

"I have the honor to be, Sir,

"Your most obedient servant,

"J. LESLIE, Secretary.

"P. S. The Report of the Committee of the House of Assembly, which accompanied your letter, is herewith returned."

That, in 1832, Petitioner, then a Member of Assembly for York, Ontario and Peel, agreed to go to London, as the Agent of a large portion of the people, to His late Majesty's Government, left Canada with a part of his family, intending to be absent but eight months, but having been recognised in England, as duly qualified to represent the friends of certain reforms, and enabled fully to explain the position or state of affairs in this country, and having been specially requested to prolong his stay, and to make representations to the Post Master General, relative to the Canada Post Office, and to Mr. Poulett Thompson for the Board of Trade, and to the Secretaries of the Treasury, upon monetary affairs, and the Government having agreed to consider the measure of a Colonial Post Office, and sent for Mr. Stayner, to London, when the first Bill for that purpose was framed, Petitioner prolonged his stay, for nearly eighteen months.

On Petitioner's return he received the thanks of the Mayor of Quebec, and other influential reformers, and at Montreal the same kind compliments were paid him by Mr. Viger, Mayor of that City, Mr. Papineau, then Speaker of the Assembly, Mr. Bourdages, its doyen, and the liberal Members of the Assembly there, for having acted steadily with Mr. D. B. Viger, while in London, for the common interest of the two Canadas.

That, in 1832, your Petitioner carried to London the Petition of nearly eleven thousand of the Freeholders of the several Counties in Canada West, to the House of Commons, praying for a redress of grievances, which was presented by Mr. Hume, who asked for a Committee of Enquiry, which was rendered unnecessary through an offer of Lord Howick, (now Earl Grey,) on behalf of himself and Lord Ripon, thoroughly to investigate all matters of complaint in Downing Street.

That your Petitioner was also the bearer of nearly fifty petitions to His Majesty, King William IV, from all parts of Upper Canada, which, (including a number of the Members of the Legislature,) were signed by 24,500 of the male adults of that Province, part of which Petitions were presented by Lord Chancellor Brougham, and the remainder by the Colonial Minister; at your Petitioner's first interview with whom he was accompanied by Mr. Hume, Mr. Viger (Agent for Lower Canada) and Mr. Ryerson.

That Lords Ripon and Howick carefully considered Petitioner's statements: discussed with him at the Colonial office the questions embraced in the Petitions to

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