

- " 3. At Quebec, the property of the old college is valued in the official reports at a price varying from \$50,000 to \$200,000, say..... 100,000 00
 " 4. The revenues since 1867 reach the sum of.. 400,000 00
 " 5. The capital of the *lods et ventes* is..... 92,572 00
 " 6. A property at N.D. des Anges was sold for.. 18,200 00

" Which gives a total of over two million dollars

" You will notice, Sir, that nothing is said of interest even since Confederation.

" It is, therefore, in view of those documents that I am called upon to make a claim for a reasonable and moderate compensation before putting the Government in full enjoyment and lawful possession of all the Jesuits' Estates in Canada.

" Now, my reasonable and moderate proposition is this :

" I ask from the Government of the Province of Quebec one-half of the actual value of only one of the properties which our Fathers bought with their own money, of our property in Montreal, that is to say, \$990,009.00, and the Jesuit Fathers will abandon all the other properties. (See list of the Jesuits' Estates.)

" I base my moderate claim upon the following reasons :

" 1. I ask only one-half of a single property and I concede twenty others (see list of the estates) ; is not that reasonable and moderate ?

" 2. Our present debts amount to \$200,000.00 ; for our three establishments for study and training we require not less than \$30,000.00 of annual revenue ; to make the urgent repairs which are required at our establishments of Quebec, Three Rivers, Montreal, Sault au Recollet and Lake Nominiguinge, it would require not less than \$200,000, so that my demand is reasonable and moderate.

" 3. Will the Government find my demand exaggerated when it considers that the sale of one property alone would reimburse it and be more than enough ?

" For instance, the *Champ de Mars*, at \$5 a foot, would bring \$1,024,110.00 ; would not a similar result be obtained with the seigniority of Cap la Magdeleine, which is forty leagues in superficies ?

" That is the reason why I consider my demand reasonable and moderate.

" I am not unaware that, in a document presented at Rome some years ago, the whole of the Jesuits' Estates were valued at \$400,000.00 ; but the incorrectness of that valuation is shown even in the official reports above cited.

" The same document contains other statements none the less incorrect to prove that the Society of Jesus would be unable of itself to recover the property owing to the opposition which it would meet with in the Legislature.

" In protesting against this insinuation, I am happy to affirm that since the Society of Jesus entered into negotiations with the Government it has met with the most kind and less from