

Correspondence
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Mr. Gagy.

wish that, but would purchase it for his own use; that thereupon this deponent sold the said wood to the said Lewis Gagy for his own use, and was paid for the same by the said Lewis Gagy out of his own means; that the deponent never included the said quantity of wood in his account against the sheriff for wood supplied for the use of the gaol; that the said Lewis Gagy, alleging that he had not room enough at his own house to receive the said quantity of wood, directed deponent to place it in the yard in rear of the gaol, which direction was followed by the deponent, the wood delivered for the use of the gaol having been placed during this last year in front of the said gaol; that deponent desired the gaoler and men employed to carry in the wood not to touch that quantity, as it was the private property of the said Lewis Gagy; and that deponent was informed by the gaoler, that upon the orders of the said Lewis Gagy he had sent the said quantity of wood bought by the said Lewis Gagy for his own use, partly to the said Lewis Gagy's house, and partly to the house of his daughter, Mrs. Willan; and the deponent further saith, that he has frequently seen at the said gaol, as well the said Lewis Gagy as Francis Perry, Esq., formerly his deputy, who, since the expiration of the Act authorizing the appointment of a deputy, has acted as the said Lewis Gagy's chief clerk, and that deponent conceives their visits were sufficiently frequent for the exercise of a wholesome control over the gaoler and subordinate officers of the said gaol.

(signed) *James Glassford.*

Sworn before me, at Montreal, the day and year first above written.

(signed) *George Pyke, J. K. B.*

No. 5.—Deposition of Mr. *James Terroux.*

Province of Lower Canada, District of Montreal.

On the 15th day of April, in the year of our Lord 1836, personally came and appeared before me, the Hon. George Pyke, one of the justices of his Majesty's Court of King's Bench for the district of Montreal, James Terroux, of the city of Montreal in the said district, gentleman, who being duly sworn, maketh oath and saith, that since September in the year of our Lord 1834 deponent has been a permanent clerk in the office of the Hon. Lewis Gagy, sheriff of the said district of Montreal, and that for about two years before that time he was occasionally employed in the said office; that the books of accounts and accounts of receipts and expenditure in the office of the said sheriff have been during all the time aforesaid exclusively kept in his own room by Francis Perry, of Montreal, esq., now the principal clerk of the said Lewis Gagy, and during the subsistence of the Act of Parliament authorizing such appointment the deputy sheriff of the said district; that the said Francis Perry was some years ago admitted as an advocate at the bar of this province, and from his legal knowledge and the great experience in such matters acquired by the said Francis Perry during more than 10 years in the sheriff's office of the said district, as well while the said Lewis Gagy has been sheriff as in his predecessor's time, the said Francis Perry is, in the opinion of deponent, eminently well qualified to keep the said accounts and to render every other assistance which the said Lewis Gagy from the number and variety of his duties necessarily requires; that the said books of account are familiarly in the office called Mr. Perry's books; and that the said Lewis Gagy has not kept any books of account or accounts relative to the affairs of his said office, as he has always placed well-merited confidence in the regularity and integrity of the said Francis Perry; that besides the unremitted assistance of the said Francis Perry and of this deponent, the said sheriff in the execution of his various duties is forced to depend upon the aid of two other clerks, of the gaoler, and many bailiffs and other inferior officers; and deponent further saith, an accurate return of the official income of the said sheriff could not be made without great labour and a familiar acquaintance with the books and accounts kept by the said Francis Perry, and from the manner in which the said books and accounts are kept, deponent is of opinion that nobody but the said Francis Perry could make therefrom such accurate statement; the deponent is perfectly satisfied that the said Lewis Gagy personally could not by means of the said books and accounts make an accurate return of his official income; that the amount of the official income of the said office fluctuates yearly in some degree, as its amount is more or less according to the extent of property sold in execution during the year, the said sheriff being entitled by law to a poundage of 2 l. 10 s. per cent. on the proceeds of such sales.

(signed) *James Terroux.*

Sworn before me, the day and year above written, at Montreal.

(signed) *George Pyke, J. K. B.*

No. 6.—Deposition of *T. Bertrand.*

District de Montreal.

Toussaint Bertrand, un des hommes du guet de la cité de Montreal, après serment prêté sur les Saints Evangiles, dépose et dit, que les nommés William Stuart, Charles Fortier et John Collins sont dans l'habitude de venir se réfugier à la maison du guet, et souvent dans un état