

PROVINCE OF
LOWER CANADA.

William the Fourth by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,
King, Defender of the Faith.

To all whom these presents shall come, or whom the same may concern,

GREETING :

WHEREAS upon the petition of our loving subject *Colby Abbot of the Township of Hatley*

Superior
in our District of *Saint Francis, Ypouan* in this behalf it hath been
judged reasonable and advisable by *Our Governor in Chief*
of our Province of Lower Canada, by and with the advice and consent of our Executive Council of our said Province, that we should grant to the said *Colby Abbot*
a certain lot, tract, or parcel of land hereinafter described, upon which it hath been
certified to our said *Governor in Chief* and Executive Council, that the said *Colby Abbot*
hath erected and occupied, or caused to be erected and occupied, a dwelling House, and
hath made or caused to be made a certain clearing, cultivation and improvement, as required to entitle him the said *Colby Abbot*
to a grant of the said premises.

NOW KNOW YE, that We of our especial grace, certain knowledge, and mere motion, for Us, our Heirs and Successors, have given, granted and confirmed, and by these presents do give, grant and confirm to the said *Colby Abbot*

his heirs and assigns for ever *hereinafter* a certain lot, tract or parcel of land situated in the said Township of *Hatley*
in our said district of *Saint Francis* commonly known and distinguished by the name of Lot number
Eighteen in the South range of lots in the said Township of Hatley containing about two hundred acres of land and the usual allowance for highways

To have and to hold the said lot, tract, or parcel of land, and premises hereinbefore given, granted and confirmed, of Us, our Heirs and Successors unto and to the use of our said Grantee, his Heirs and Assigns forever, in free and common socage, by fealty only, in lieu of all other and all manner of rents, services, fines, rights, dues, duties, claims and demands whatsoever, in like manner as lands are holden in that part of Great Britain called England.

PROVIDED ALWAYS, and this our grant is made upon the express condition that no part of the said lot, tract, or parcel of land and premises be within any reservation heretofore made and marked out for Us, our Heirs and Successors, by our Surveyor General of our woods, or his lawful Deputy, or if any part thereof, upon a survey being made, be found within any such reservation, that then this our Grant for such part shall be null and void and of no effect, any thing herein contained to the contrary thereof, in any wise notwithstanding. And for a specification of the land by us reserved, allotted, and appropriated for the maintenance and support of a Protestant Clergy within our said Province in respect of the land hereby granted, KNOW YE FURTHER, that according to the Statute in such case made and provided; We have saved and reserved and hereby do expressly save, and reserve, to Us our Heirs and Successors, and do allot and appropriate for the maintenance and support of a Protestant Clergy within Our said Province *forty acres*

acres of land and the usual allowance for highways, making part and parcel of *Lot number nineteen in the North range of lots in the said Township, to be taken off the West end of the*
as circumstances and the nature of the case will admit of like qualities as the land hereinbefore granted, in respect of which the same is so allotted and appropriated and as nearly as can be estimated equal in value to one-seventh part of the Land hereinbefore granted.

AND KNOW YE FURTHER that we have saved and reserved and hereby do expressly save and reserve, to Us, Our Heirs and Successors for our future disposition *forty* acres of land and the usual allowance for highways, making part and parcel of the *Lot number twenty in the South range of lots in the said Township to be taken off the East end of the same*

of the land hereby granted,

and shall not also, within *four* years, to be computed as last aforesaid, plant and effectually cultivate at least *two* acres,

of the land hereby granted, Then, and in either

of these cases, this our present grant, and every thing herein contained, shall become and be absolutely void, and the land and premises hereby granted shall revert and escheat to us, our heirs and successors, and shall thenceforward become the absolute and entire property of us or them, in the same manner as if this our present grant had never been made, any thing herein contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

+ And shall not also within the said period of one year from the date hereof settle one family upon the said premises;

being as nearly as circumstances and the nature of the case will admit of the like quality as the land hereinbefore granted in respect of which the same is so reserved and as nearly as can be estimated equal in value to the one-seventh part of the land hereby granted

PROVIDED ALWAYS, and we do hereby expressly reserve to Us, our Heirs and Successors, all Mines of Gold and Silver, which now are or shall be found upon the aforesaid described land and premises hereby granted, or any part thereof, so that the said Mines and each of them shall belong to Us, Our Heirs and Successors, in as full and ample manner as if the present grant had never been made. And we do hereby expressly reserve to Us, Our Heirs and Successors, full power, right, and authority, to make and use all such roads, ways and passages over the said land and premises hereby granted or any part thereof, and also to take, stop, divert and use, all such rivers, streams, ponds and bodies of water, as shall by Us or them be judged necessary or convenient for working or improving the said Mines or any of them. And provided further, if any Mine or Mines of Gold, or Silver shall be found on the said land and premises hereby granted, Our said Grantee, his heirs or assigns possessing such land or any part of the same, shall within the space of six months after the discovery of such Mine or Mines, give notice of the discovery thereof to Our Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or person administering the Government of Our said Province for the time being, and if he, she, or they shall make default therein, the present grant of the said land at the end of the said six months next ensuing after such discovery, shall become void, and the said land hereby granted, shall revert and escheat to Us, our Heirs and Successors, in the same manner as if the present grant had never been made, any thing herein contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. And we do hereby expressly reserve to Us, our Heirs and Successors, a right of making any number of public roads or highways, of a breadth not exceeding one hundred feet, through any part of the said land and premises hereby granted, except such parts whereof any dwelling houses, or other houses or buildings shall be erected. And we do hereby also expressly reserve to Us, our Heirs and Successors, full power, right and authority to erect and build any Forts or Fortresses, or to make any other works of military defence on any part of the said land and premises hereby granted, that may by Us, our Heirs or Successors be deemed necessary for the peace and safety of our said Province, whenever We or they shall signify it to be our or their pleasure so to do, by an order given by Us or them, in our or their Privy Council in Great Britain, or whenever it shall be judged advisable or expedient so to do, by our Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or person administering the Government of our said Province by and with the advice and consent of our Executive Council of our said Province. And we do hereby direct and appoint, that within six months from the day of the date of these presents, a copy of this our Grant, shall be registered in our Registrar's Office, in our City of Quebec, in our Province of Lower Canada, and that a date of these presents, a copy of this our Grant, shall be registered in our Auditor's Office, in our said city of Quebec, and that in default thereof, the said land and premises hereby granted shall revert and escheat to Us, our Heirs and Successors, and become the absolute property of Us or them, in the same manner as if the present Grant had never been made, any thing herein contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province of Lower Canada to be hereunto affixed.
WITNESS,

This is my Draft
C. H. G. S. R.
Colby